

**METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**
Meeting Transcript



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1 **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**
2 **JOINT MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE**
3 **COMMITTEE**
4 **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021, 9:45 A.M.**

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6 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** COULD YOU ROLL THE COVID
7 ANNOUNCEMENT? DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED
8 AS A ZOOM WEBINAR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL
9 361 WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS
10 MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEBSITE. THE CHAIR WILL
11 CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER
12 SPEAKERS, BY NAME, AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE
13 THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS
14 PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM, WITH THEIR CAMERAS
15 ENABLED, ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO
16 VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
17 BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK, SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE
18 OR DIAL STAR 9, AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE
19 APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON
20 BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED
21 THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT,
22 PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC
23 COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFOATBAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 P.M.,
24 YESTERDAY, WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED
25 INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF



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1 THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE
2 TO DO SO. THEY SHOULD RAISE THEIR HAND AND THE CHAIR WILL
3 CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL
4 BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD
5 NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE. IN ORDER TO GET THE
6 FULL ZOOM EXPERIENCE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP
7 TO DATE.

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9 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JESS. WHAT I WOULD
10 LIKE TO DO IS OUR MTC ROLL CALL AND CONSENT CALENDAR. I'LL
11 TURN IT OVER TO YOU TO PUT US THROUGH TO THE END OF THE
12 MEETING AND TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT.

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14 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** CHAIR SPERING?

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16 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** VICE CHAIR AHN?

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20 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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22 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER CANEPA?

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24 **DAVID CANEPA:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER CONNOLLY?

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3 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** HERE.

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5 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?

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7 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** HERE.

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9 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER FLEMING?

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11 **VICTORIA FLEMING:** HERE.

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13 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THANK YOU. NON-VOTING COMMISSIONER

14 GIOCAPINI?

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16 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? COMMISSIONER

19 LICCARDO? OKAY.

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21 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** HE'S HERE.

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23 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** OKAY. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? WE HAVE A

24 QUORUM.

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1 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. NEXT ITEM FOR
2 THE PLANNING COMMITTEE IS OUR CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS I'LL
3 ENTERTAIN A MOTION AND SECOND.

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5 **SAM LICCARDO:** SO MOVED. LICCARDO, AND I'M SORRY I DIDN'T SAY I
6 WAS HERE.

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8 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** DUTRA-VERNACI, SECONDS.

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10 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS.
11 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS?

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13 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
14 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
15 ON THIS ITEM.

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17 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. TAKE THE ROLL, PLEASE?

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19 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** WILL DO. CHAIR SPERING?

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21 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** YES.

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25 **EDDIE AHN:** YES.



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4 **DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

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8 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** HERE.

9

10 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?

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12 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** AYE.

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14 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** FLEMING?

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16 **VICTORIA FLEMING:** YES.

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18 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** LICCARDO?

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20 **SAM LICCARDO:** AYE.

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22 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** SCHAFF? IT PASSES BY ALL MEMBERS

23 PRESENT.

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1 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'LL PASS IT TO MAYOR
2 ARREGUIN, AND JESSE IF YOU CAN TAKE IT RIGHT THROUGH TO THE
3 END OF THE MEETING.

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5 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I BELIEVE FRED IS BAG.
6 I'LL ASK THE ABAG CLERK OF THE BOARD TO CONDUCT ROLL CALL TO
7 CONFIRM QUORUM?

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** YES. MAYOR ARREGUIN?

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11 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** HERE.

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13 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** EKLUND?

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15 **PAT ECKLUND:** HERE.

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17 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** FLIGOR?

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19 **NEYSA FLIGOR:** HERE.

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21 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** SUPERVISOR LEE?

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23 **OTTO LEE:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** SUPERVISOR MANDELMAN? IS ABSENT.

2 SUPERVISOR MITCHOFF?

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4 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER PERALEZ?

7 COUNCILMEMBER PERALEZ?

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9 **RAUL PERALEZ:** HERE.

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11 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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13 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** SUPERVISOR RABBIT?

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15 **DAVID RABBIT, MTC V. CHAIR:** HERE.

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17 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** SUPERVISOR RAMOS?

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19 **BELIA RAMOS, ABAG V. CHAIR:** HERE.

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21 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** ROMERO?

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23 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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25 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** WILSON?



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2 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** THANK YOU. PLEASE READ THE
7 COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ACCORDING TO STATE LAW I AM MAKING THE
10 FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT, THE MEMBERS OF THE ABAG BOARD IN
11 ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PER DIEM AN
12 AMOUNT OF \$100 AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH
13 EACH MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT PER DIEM. THANK YOU.

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15 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. CASTRO.
16 ITEM 3B CONSENT CALENDAR. MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8TH MEETING.

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18 **PAT ECKLUND:** I'LL MOVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

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20 **NEYSA FLIGOR:** SECOND.

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** MOTION AND SECOND. COLLEAGUES, ANY
23 QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? IF NOT I'LL ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON
24 THIS ITEM?

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1 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** NO PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED. MARTHA YOU
2 CAN CONFIRM IF THERE ARE ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS?

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS.

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6 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THIS IS CORRECT NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
7 WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

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9 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO PLEASE CALL
10 THE ROLL.

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12 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ON THE MOTION MAYOR EKLUND?

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14 **PAT ECKLUND:** AYE.

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16 **NEYSA FLIGOR:** AYE.

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18 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** AYE.

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20 **OTTO LEE:** YES.

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22 **RAFAEL MANDELMAN:** YES.

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24 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** YES.

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** COUNCIL MEMBER PERALEZ?

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3 **SPEAKER:** SORRY -- HAVING TROUBLE WITH THE UNMUTE. AYE.

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5 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** I GOT YOU COUNCILMEMBER PERALEZ? AND I
6 HAVE AN AYE FOR SUPERVISOR RABBIT. RAMOS?

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8 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

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10 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS
11 THIS AFTERNOON. IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR
12 NINE. I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS?

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14 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON
15 THIS ITEM.

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17 **JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR:** THAT BRINGS US TO ITEM SIX
18 ADJOURNMENT ITEM SIX, NEXT MEETING WILL BE FRIDAY DECEMBER
19 10TH, 2021. [ADJOURNED]

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