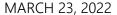
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Meeting Transcript



1	METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
2	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022 9:35 AM
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4	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING EVERYONE MY NAME IS
5	ALFREDO PEDROZA ALONG WITH NICK JOSEFOWITZ OUR VICE CHAIR. I
6	WOULD LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF MTC
7	AND THE BAY AREA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY. THIS IS OUR FIRST
8	HYBRID MEETING TO COMMISSIONERS HERE IN PERSON, THANK YOU. TO
9	THOSE COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY, HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON.
10	I INTENDED TO GO IN PERSON, BUT WE HAD SOME LAST-MINUTE
11	ADJUSTMENTS. THERE MIGHT BUMPS IN THE ROAD BUT THIS IS OUR
12	FIRST ATTEMPT TO GET BACK TO NORMAL AND I APPRECIATE STAFF
13	CREATING THIS HYBRID ENVIRONMENT. AT THIS TIME WE'RE GOING TO
14	CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AND I'LL ASK THE BROADCASTING TEAM
15	TO ROLL THE ANNOUNCEMENT, PLEASE? [MEETING PROCEDURES
16	ANNOUNCEMENT]
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18	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: IT'S ODD TO SEE TWO OF MY FACES ON THE
19	ZOOM SCREEN, SO I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT. FOR THOSE ATTENDING
20	VIRTUALLY, IT WILL BE NORMAL IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS RAISE YOUR
21	HAND. IT APPEARS WE HAVE NO PUBLIC MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM,
22	BUT IF WE IF WE'LL ALSO CALL ON PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THOSE
23	ATTENDING VIRTUALLY. THOSE ATTENDING IN PERSON, VICE CHAIR
24	JOSEFOWITZ AND COMMISSIONER WORTH WILL BE HELPING TO IDENTIFY
25	ANY PUBLIC COMMENT IN THE BOARD CHAMBER. THIS IS THE FIRST



1	TIME WE'RE DOING A HYBRID MEETING. WE'LL ASK FOR YOUR PATIENCE
2	AS WE GET THROUGH THIS BUT EXCITING WE'RE MOVING ON TO THAT
3	POINT. AT THIS POINT, LET'S PROCEED WITH ITEM ONE ON OUR
4	AGENDA WHICH IS ROLL CALL.
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: GOOD MORNING. CHAIR PEDROZA?
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8	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: HERE.
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10	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ? IS ABSENT. ABE-
11	KOGA?
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13	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: HERE.
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15	CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?
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17	EDDIE AHN: HERE.
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19	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?
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21	DAVID CANEPA: HERE.
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23	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAVEZ?
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25	CINDY CHAVEZ: HERE.





CLERK OF THE BOARD: CONNOLY? DAMON CONNOLLY: HERE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI? IS ABSENT. EL-TAWANSY. [ROLL CALL] COMMISSIONER PAPAN? GINA PAPAN: HERE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT? DAVID RABBIT: HERE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN? HILARY RONEN: HERE. SCHAAF? IS ABSENT. CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING? JAMES P. SPERING: PRESENT. WORTH? AMY WORTH: HERE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: WE HAVE A QUORUM, MR. CHAIR.



1 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM TWO, 2 3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. COMMISSIONER DAMON CONNOLLY WILL LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. 4 5 DAMON CONNOLLY: LET ME GRAB THE FLAG; HOLD ON. OKAY. [PLEDGE 6 OF ALLEGIANCE | "I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED 7 8 STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE 9 FOR ALL." 10 11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT? 12 13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: AS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW I AM MAKING THE 14 15 FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT. EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD HERE TODAY 16 WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE \$100 PER MEETING ATTENDED UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$500 PER MONTH PER AGENCY. THIS AMOUNT IS A 17 PROVIDED AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH EACH 18 MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT SUCH AMOUNT. 19 20 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ITEM FOUR, THIS IS A JOINT MTC BAHFA 21 CONSENT CALENDAR. THERE IS ONE ITEM ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. I 22 WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR APPROVAL. BEFORE WE DO THAT, HAVE 23 WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? 24



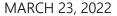
CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 1 2 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED 3 ON THIS ITEM. 4 5 JAMES P. SPERING: I'LL MOVE THE ITEM. 6 7 FEDERAL GLOVER: SECOND. 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. FIRST BY COMMISSIONER 9 10 SPERING. I DID NOT CAPTURE THE SECOND. 11 FEDERAL D. GLOVER: GLOVER 12 13 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: BEFORE WE MAKE THE ROLL CALL VOTE, 14 15 VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ, YOU CAN CONFIRM IF WE HAVE PUBLIC 16 COMMENT IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS? 17 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: NO PUBLIC COMMENT IN THE CHAMBER. 18 19 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, VICE CHAIR. FIRST BY 20 21 SPERING; SECOND BY GLOVER. ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE? 22 23 CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA? 24

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.



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2	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ: YES.
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4	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?
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6	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?
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10	EDDIE AHN: YES.
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12	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CANEPA?
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14	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ?
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18	CINDY CHAVEZ: YES.
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CONNOLY.
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22	DAMON CONNOLLY: AYE.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? IS ABSENT.
25	COMMISSIONER FLEMING?





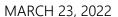
VICTORIA FLEMING: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: LICCARDO? PAPAN? GINA PAPAN: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT? DAVID RABBIT: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN? HILLARY RONEN: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: SCHAFF IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SPERING. JAMES P. SPERING: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: WORTH? AMY R. WORTH: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: QUORUM IS PRESENT. IF YOU ARE SIGNED INTO ZOOM MUTE YOUR ZOOM AUDIO.



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2	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: TO CLARIFY THAT WAS THE CONSENT
3	CALENDAR FOR BAHFA NOW WE NEED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT
4	CALENDAR FOR MTC. IS THAT CORRECT, KIMBERLY?
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THAT IS CORRECT.
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8	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LOOKING FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE
9	CONSENT CALENDAR FOR MTC?
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11	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: MOVE APPROVAL.
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13	JAMES P. SPERING: SECOND.
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15	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: FIRST BY GLOVER SECOND BY SPERING.
16	VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE
17	BOARDROOM?
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19	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: NO. I WILL LET YOU KNOW IF ANY
20	MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOW UP.
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22	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR BEING SO EFFICIENT.
23	FIRST BY GLOVER SECOND BY SPERING. PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED
24	WITH THIS ITEM?
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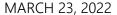


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2	THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
3	ON THIS ITEM.
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5	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET'S PROCEED WITH ROLL CALL VOTE FOR
6	THE MTC CONSENT CALENDAR.
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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10	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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12	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?
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14	NICK JOSEFOWITZ: YES.
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22	EDDIE AHN: YES.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?





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- LIST ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS 1 ITEM AT BAYAREAMETRO@INFO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. INTO THE RECORD
- 2
- 3 ALSO IF THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO PROVIDE
- GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. 4

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- CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 6
- 7 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
- 8 ON THIS ITEM.

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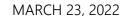
- ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. AT THIS POINT WE'RE GOING 10
- 11 TO PROCEED TO ITEM SIX ADJOURNMENT OF THE BAY AREA HOUSING
- FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING. THAT PORTION OF OUR MEETING IS NOW 12
- ADJOURNED WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE WITH THE BALANCE OF THE 13
- AGENDA FOR MTC. NEXT UP IS ITEM SEVEN CHAIR PERSON'S REPORT. 14
- THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL BATA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ASSET 15
- 16 MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP WHICH WE'RE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO CHAIRED
- BY COMMISSIONER WORTH WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT MEETING 17
- 18 AND I ENCOURAGE ALL COMMISSIONERS TO TRY TO STAY AND
- PARTICIPATE AND ALSO TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE LOOK FORWARD 19
- TO YOUR PARTICIPATION. SO THAT'S ON MY CHAIR'S REPORT. LET'S 20
- 21 PROCEED TO ITEM EIGHT, THIS IS A PUBLIC -- THE POLICY ADVISORY
- 22 COUNCIL REPORT AND WE'RE HAPPY TO SEE RANDI KINMAN ON TODAY.
- 23 TAKE IT AWAY.



- 1 RANDI KINMAN: THANK YOU. I HAVE SOME ILL-TIMED PRINTING GOING
- 2 ON BEHIND ME HERE. WE MET EARLIER THIS MONTH. AS YOU CAN SEE,
- 3 I'M BACK, SO WE HELD ELECTIONS. I AM THE CURRENT CHAIR. WE
- 4 HAVE A PHENOMENAL TEAM. ILAF ESUF, CHECKING TO SEE IF SHE'S
- 5 ONLINE TODAY, BUT I WILL BRING HER TO THE NEXT MEETING, AND
- 6 WITH THE CHAIR'S INDULGENCE, I'LL BRING HEADS OF THE
- 7 SUBCOMMITTEE TO THE NEXT MEETING SO YOU CAN GET A LOOK AT
- 8 THEIR FACES. I HAVE EIGHT PAGES OF NOTES, JAM-PACKED MEETING.
- 9 WE WERE REALLY BUSY. IN AN ONGOING ATTEMPT TO UNDERSTAND THE
- 10 DEPARTMENTS, THERESA ROMMEL BROUGHT THE FUNDING POLICY AND
- 11 PROGRAM OVERVIEW TO US, WHICH LED US TO ONE BAY AREA GRANTS
- 12 PROGRAMS AND THEN WE HAD THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAWS
- 13 DISCRETIONARY GRANT STUDY, WITH THAT, THAT WAS AN EXTREMELY
- 14 FULL MEETING. WE ALSO WENT THROUGH A REVIEW OF OUR TWO
- 15 STANDING COMMITTEES THAT WERE ROLL OVERS FROM THE LAST TERM.
- 16 TWO MORE SUBCOMMITTEES THAT WE HAVE ADDED. WE HAVE CHOSEN THE
- 17 PEOPLE TO PARTICIPATE ON THOSE COMMITTEES, AND WE'RE LOOKING
- 18 TO STAND UP AT LEAST TWO MORE COMMITTEES MOVING FORWARD. SO,
- 19 EVERYBODY WILL HAVE EXTRA HOMEWORK TO DO. WITH THAT, I'M GOING
- 20 TO KEEP IT BRIEF, AND THANK YOU.
- 21
- 22 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, RANDI, ON THE RENEWED
- 23 LEADERSHIP POST. GRAD TO HAVE YOU. ANY COMMENTS OR OUESTIONS
- 24 FOR RANDI AT THIS TIME. SEEING NONE. KIMBERLY PUBLIC COMMENT
- 25 ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPORT OF THE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL?



1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 2 3 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM. 4 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, RANDI. MANY THANKS. SO, AT 6 THIS POINT WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED TO ITEM NINE ON OUR AGENDA. 7 8 THIS IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT. THERESE MCMILLAN, 9 TAKE IT AWAY. 10 THERESE MCMILLAN: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. IT'S GOOD TO SEE 11 YOU ALL. I WANT TO START WITH A COUPLE OF VERY IMPORTANT 12 PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS. OUR NEW CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, 13 DEREK HANZEL HAS JOINED THE TEAM AS OF YESTERDAY AND HE'S 14 15 ONLINE WITH US, AND IF HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A TERRIFIC 16 WELCOME OF HIS OWN. DEREK, ARE YOU THERE? 17 DEREK HANZEL: PLEASED TO JOIN YOU, HAPPY TO BE WORKING WITH 18 THE TEAM AND WORKING WITH THE BOARD, AND, CERTAINLY, I'LL BE 19 AVAILABLE TO ANSWER LOTS OF OUESTIONS LATER. AS I ACTUALLY 20 21 KNOW THINGS. SO, THANKS. 22 23 THERESE MCMILLAN: TERRIFIC. THANK YOU SO MUCH DEREK. AND WE'RE REALLY PLEASED TO HAVE HIM JOIN THE TEAM. ANOTHER IMPORTANT 24 ANNOUNCEMENT REBECCA LONG IS NOW OFFICIALLY OUR DIRECTOR OF





- 1 DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS. WE'RE VERY EXCITED
- 2 FOR HER. SHE HAS BEEN RUNNING THE SHIP FOR SEVERAL MONTHS
- 3 SINCE RANDY RENTSCHLER'S DEPARTURE, BUT NOW SHE IS THE HEAD
- 4 CAPTAIN, SO WE'RE EXCITED FOR THAT. LET'S SEE. IN ADDITION TO
- 5 THAT, A COUPLE OF OUICK THINGS. WE HAD ALREADY ANNOUNCED THIS
- 6 BUT IT'S WORTH REPEATING THAT WE HAD RECEIVED -- LET'S SEE --
- 7 HOLD ON. I GUESS, MENTIONED AT PROGRAMMING AND ALLOCATIONS --
- 8 THAT WE HAD RECEIVED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR OUR
- 9 TRANSIT OPERATORS IN THE REGION PUT THIS LAST AMOUNT OF COVID
- 10 EMERGENCY RELIEF OPERATING FUNDING THAT WAS REALLY GOOD NEWS
- 11 FOR OUR TRANSIT OPERATORS, HOWEVER, IT WAS ALSO INDICATIVE OF
- 12 THE FACT THAT THINGS ARE STUFF TOUGH. PARTICULARLY IN THE BAY
- 13 AREA, WHERE REBOUND, ECONOMICALLY, AND RIDERSHIP IS DRAGGING
- 14 COMPARED TO OTHER REGIONS. SO, GOOD NEWS, WITH A SHARP EDGE,
- 15 AND WE'LL OBVIOUSLY, WITH THE BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE, AND
- 16 TRANSFORMATIVE ACTION PLAN WORK WE'LL CONTINUE WORKING WITH
- 17 OUR OPERATORS TO GET MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. A
- 18 REMINDER, AND THIS IS SOMETHING TO PUT ON YOUR DANCE CARD FOR
- 19 MAY, WE WILL BE HOLDING A MAJOR MEGA PROJECTS WORKSHOP ON MAY
- 20 25TH AND 26th. A TWO-DAY WORKSHOP COINCIDING WITH THE
- 21 COMMISSION THAT DAY WHICH WILL BE FOCUSING AN UPDATE ON THE
- 22 MEGA PROJECTS. THESE ARE THE MULTI-BILLION DOLLARS HIGH
- 23 PROFILE PROJECTS THAT ARE HERE IN THE REGION, AND WANT TO HAVE
- 24 AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEEP DIVE WITH YOU, REALLY, WHAT ARE THE
- 25 CIRCUMSTANCES AROUND EFFECTIVELY DELIVERING THESE PROJECTS,



- 1 WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES, WHAT ARE THE OPPORTUNITIES, AND HOW
- 2 THAT WILL FIT INTO VERY IMPORTANT COMMISSION DECISIONS DOWN
- 3 THE ROAD. WE, ALSO, WANT TO NOTE THAT -- AND I HAD MENTIONED
- 4 THIS BEFORE, LET'S SEE, THAT WE HAVE A SUMMER ACADEMY THAT IS
- 5 LAUNCHING, AND VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT. WE HOPE THAT, YOU
- 6 KNOW, YOU CAN -- THIS IS A HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE MENTORSHIP
- 7 PROGRAM THAT'S BEING HOSTED THIS SUMMER, AND WE WILL BE
- 8 PROVIDING YOU INFORMATION TO SPREAD TO YOUR CONTACTS. WE
- 9 WANTED TO ENCOURAGE THE YOUTH OF OUR REGION TO TAKE AN
- 10 INTEREST IN TRANSPORTATION AND WE'RE SETTING UP A NUMBER OF
- 11 OPPORTUNITIES FOR THAT. WITH THAT, CHAIR PEDROZA, I WILL TURN
- 12 IT BACK OVER TO YOU.
- 14 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, THERESE, FOR THAT REPORT,
- 15 AND, DEREK, WELCOME ABOARD. WE'LL LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
- 16 YOU, AND JUST UNDERSTANDING THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF FINANCES
- 17 FOR ALL OF MTC AND OUR ENTERPRISES ARE SO CRITICAL. SO,
- 18 WELCOME ABOARD. OUESTIONS FOR THERESE? SEEING NONE. KIMBERLY
- 19 HAVE WE RECEIVED PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THERESE'S
- 20 REPORTS?
- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
- 23 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
- 24 ON THIS ITEM.

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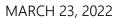
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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. AGAIN, THANK YOU THERESE 1 FOR THAT REPORT-OUT. AND ALSO, CONGRATULATIONS TO REBECCA LONG 2 ON HER NEW POST. BIG SHOES TO FILL. BUT WE KNOW YOU'RE UP TO 3 THE CHALLENGE. 4 5 REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU. 6 7 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ITEM TEN COMMISSIONER COMMENTS? I 9 DON'T SEE ANY. LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM SEVEN. WHAT WE APPROVED EARLIER WAS A JOINT CONSENT CALENDAR FOR MTC AND BAHFA. THIS 10 11 IS OUR CONSENT CALENDAR FOR THE REGULAR MTC MEETING. WE HAVE A FEW ITEMS ON OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. 11A THROUGH 11M. COMMITTEES 12 WERE VERY BUSY THIS MONTH. SO, COMMISSIONERS AT THIS POINT, 13 I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. 14 15 16 JAMES P. SPERING: SPERING WILL MOVE. 17 FEDERAL D. GLOVER: GOVERNOR, SECOND. 18 19 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SPERING AND GLOVER VERY ACTIVE THIS 20 MOTION. MOTION AND SECOND. KIMBERLY ANY PUBLIC COMMENT 21 22 RECEIVED IN WRITING?

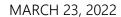


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5	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT WE HAVE RECEIVED NO NOTIFIED
6	FROM THE BOARD. WE HAVE A MOTION BY SPERING SECOND BY GLOVER.
7	ROLL CALL VOTE.
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9	CLERK OF THE BOARD: PEDROZA?
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11	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: JOSEFOWITZ.
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15	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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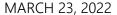


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2	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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4	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ? IS AN AYE.
5	THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER CONNOLY?
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7	DAMON CONNOLLY: AYE.
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9	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?
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11	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER FLEMING?
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15	VICTORIA FLEMING: YES.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER GLOVER?
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19	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?
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23	SAM LICCARDO: YES.
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25	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER MILEY?





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2	NATHAN MILEY: YES.		
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4	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	PAPAN?
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6	GINA PAPAN: YES.		
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	RABBIT
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10	DAVID RABBIT: YES.		
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12	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	RONEN?
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14	HILLARY RONEN: YES.		
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	SCHAFF?	
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18	LIBBY SCHAFF: YES.		
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	SPERING?	
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22	JAMES P. SPERING: Y	ES.	
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	WORTH?	





1 AMY R. WORTH: AYE.

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- 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL
- 4 MEMBERS PRESENT.

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- 6 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. LET'S PROCEED TO
- 7 OUR COMMITTEE REPORTS. FIRST AGENDA ITEM 12, PROGRAMMING AND
- 8 ALLOCATIONS. COMMISSIONER RABBIT, TAKE IT AWAY.

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- 10 DAVID RABBIT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE PROGRAMMING AND
- 11 ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE DID MEET REMOTELY MARCH 9TH, 2022 AND
- 12 REFERS THE FOLLOWING TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. AGENDA
- 13 ITEM 12 A MTC RESOLUTION NUMBER 4505 REVISED, ONE BAY AREA
- 14 GRANT PROGRAM REVISIONS. THIS REVISES THE OBAG THROUGH PROGRAM
- 15 TO ADOPT GUIDELINES FOR THE COUNTY AND LOCAL PROGRAM CALL FOR
- 16 PROJECTS. AND I MOVE APPROVAL OF MTC RESOLUTION NUMBER 4505
- 17 REVISED.

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- 19 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. DO I HAVE A SECOND FOR MTC
- 20 RESOLUTION 4505?

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22 GINA PAPAN: PAPAN SECOND.

- 24 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER COMMENTS? SEEING NONE.
- 25 PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?



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1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING BUT I 2 3 HAVE ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. JONATHON KASS IF YOU WANT TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES TO 4 5 SPEAK. 6 7 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK. 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET'S PROCEED WITH PUBLIC COMMENT THEN 9 10 GO BACK TO COMMISSIONERS. 11 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING I'M JONATHON KASS TRANSPORTATION POLICY 12 MANAGER. SPUR E-MAILED A LETTER ASKING THAT YOU CONSIDER USING 13 OBAG THREE AS A TOOL TO ENCOURAGE JURISDICTIONS TO PLAN FOR 14 15 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES POLICY, OR 16 TOC POLICY. THE FINAL TOC POLICY IS EXPECTED TO BE CONSIDERED IN JULY AND THE DRAFT OBAG THREE PROPOSAL HAD A PLACE HOLDER 17 FOR THE TOC POLICY BECAUSE OBAG IS THE PRIMARY TOOL TO DRIVE 18 COMPLIANCE WITH THESE REGIONAL POLICIES. THE PLACE HOLDER HAS 19 SINCE BEEN REMOVED SPUR EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THIS AT THE 20 21 MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO OBAG FUNDING WE APPRECIATE IT'S TOO SOON 22 TO DEMAND ACTUAL COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOC POLICY BUT IF YOU DON'T BEGIN SERIOUS PLANNING WE'LL BE IN THE SAME PLACE NEXT 23 TIME AROUND. PLANNED BAY AREA THAT YOU ALL PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 24 MONTHS AGO CALLS FOR MEANINGFUL LOCAL CHANGE IN TRANSIT-RICH 25



- 1 AREAS. LOCATING HOUSING AT ALL INCOME LEVELS AND JOBS AROUND
- 2 TRANSIT IS AT THE HEART OF OUR STRATEGY TO ACHIEVE EQUITY,
- 3 CLIMATE GOALS AND LIVEABILITY. A GOOD FIRST STEP TO MAKE THESE
- 4 PLANS REAL, WOULD BE TO SIMPLY REQUIRE THAT JURISDICTIONS
- 5 IDENTIFY THE ACTIONS THEY WILL NEED TO TAKE AND WHEN THEY NEED
- 6 TO TAKE THEM IN ORDER TO MEET APPROPRIATE TOC POLICY
- 7 REOUIREMENTS. BY THE TIME OBAG FOUR FUNDS ARE BEING DISPERSED.
- 8 IF JURISDICTIONS DID THIS WORK PLANNING WITHIN A YEAR OF A
- 9 PASSAGE A TOC POLITICS THEY WOULD BE FAR BETTER POSITIONS TO
- 10 IMPLEMENT CHANGES IN AN ORDERLY FASHION AND MTC WOULD HAVE A
- 11 CLEAR PICTURE OF WHAT JURISDICTIONS ACTUALLY NEED. THE POINT
- 12 HERE IS NOT REQUIRING JURISDICTIONS TO SNAP NEW LAND USE
- 13 TRANSPORTATION POLICIES INTO PLACE BUT RATHER TO AVOID SUCH A
- 14 RUSH WHEN OBAG FOUR ROLLS AROUND. THANK YOU.

16 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT --

18 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER.

- 20 CLERK OF THE BOARD: I'M SORRY -- YES. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS JUST
- 21 MARCUS.

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- 23 SPEAKER: I AM JUSTINE MARCUS I'M WITH ENTERPRISE PARTNERS
- 24 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WE HAVE BEEN
- 25 PARTICIPATING FOR THE LAST YEAR A LITTLE MORE THAN A YEAR ON



1	THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE TRANSIT ORIENTED
2	COMMUNITIES POLICY, AND WE WANT TO APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP
3	OF MANY OF YOU IN HELPING TO REALLY START MOVING THAT POLICY
4	FORWARD. I WANT TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THE COMMENTS THAT MY
5	COLLEAGUE FROM SPUR MADE ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE
6	WITH OBAG THREE TO START THE PROCESS. I HAVE HEARD FROM MANY
7	STAFF AND LEADERS THAT THIS NEEDS TO BE A LONG-TERM-PHASED
8	PROCESS OF GETTING LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO A PLACE WHERE WE'RE
9	REALLY IMPLEMENTING THE TOC POLICY, AND IN ORDER TO PLAN FOR
10	AND SUPPORT AND PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND FINANCIAL
11	ASSISTANCE THAT LOCALS NEED TO DO THIS WE REALLY NEED TO WRAP
12	OUR ARMS AROUND WHAT JURISDICTIONS NEED TO GET FROM WHERE THEY
13	ARE NOW TO WHERE THE TOC POLICY IS POINTING THAT WE GO IN
14	ORDER TO MEET THESE GOALS LAID OUT IN PLANNED BAY AREA. WE ARE
15	VERY SUPPORTIVE. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS TYPE OF WORK PLAN
16	INCORPORATED INTO THE OBAG THREE REQUIREMENT. AND IF THAT'S
17	NOT FEASIBLE, WE WOULD LOVE TO TALK MORE ABOUT WHERE ELSE WE
18	CAN INCORPORATE THIS TYPE OF A WORK PLAN. WE KNOW IT'S A
19	CRITICAL STEP TO MOVING FORWARD AND MAKING THE TOC POLICY AND
20	PLANNED BAY AREA A REALITY. THANK YOU.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS AARON
23	ECKHOUSE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES.



- 1 SPEAKER: HI. MY NAME IS AARON ECKHOUSE. I'M THE REGIONAL
- 2 POLICY MANAGER WITH CALIFORNIA YIMBY. I WOULD LIKE TO ALIGN
- 3 MYSELF WITH THE REMARKS FROM SPUR AND ENTERPRISE. I THINK THE
- 4 HOUSING CRISIS IS SO URGENT AND PRESSING AND THE REGION
- 5 IDENTIFIED IN PLANNED BAY AREA SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THAT WE'RE
- 6 GOING TO NEED TO ADDRESS THAT CRISIS. WE CAN'T AFFORD FURTHER
- 7 INDEFINITE DELAY TO IMPLEMENT THE CHANGES THAT'S WHY WE NEED
- 8 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO BE PLANNING NOW FOR HOW THEY'RE GOING TO
- 9 MAKE THOSE CHANGES. I THINK IT'S FULLY APPROPRIATE FOR MTC TO
- 10 ENSURE THAT IT'S DISTRIBUTING REGIONAL MONEY TO IMPROVE
- 11 REGIONAL MOBILITY THAT'S BEING DONE IN A WAY THAT'S
- 12 COORDINATED WITH OUR HOUSING GOALS AND LAND USE POLICIES THAT
- 13 WILL MAKE THOSE INVESTMENTS IN REGIONAL ABILITY SUCCESSFUL.
- 14 I'LL ADD FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THAT ARE CONCERNED IF THEY DO
- 15 NOT HAVE THE CAPACITY TO IMPLEMENT THESE POLICY CHANGES I
- 16 ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION AT STATE LEVEL TO MAKE
- 17 THOSE CHANGES FOR YOU. THANK YOU.
- 19 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS AMY
- 20 THOMPSON. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.
- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: MY NAME IS A.M. OWE THOMPSON I AM THE
- 23 TRANSPORTATION POLICY ANALYST WITH TRANSFORM AND I AM HERE TO
- 24 SUPPORT MY COLLEAGUES AT SPUR AND ENTERPRISE AND YIMBY, I AM
- 25 HERE TO SUPPORT THE IDEA OF THE TOC WORK PLAN AS A PART OF THE

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OBAG THREE FUNDS AND I WANT TO THANK MTC FOR ALL OF THE WORK

YOU HAVE DONE WITH US ON THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 2 3 THE TOC POLICY. I THINK WE'RE WORKING TOWARDS SOMETHING THAT WILL REALLY HELP US MEET OUR CLIMATE AND EOUITY GOALS ACROSS 4 5 THE REGION, AND I THINK THIS WORK PLAN BEING INCORPORATED INTO OBAG THREE IS REALLY IMPORTANT. IT'S A CRITICAL MOMENT TO 6 IMPLEMENT GOOD POLICY AND REGION OUR GOALS THAT WE HAVE 7 8 OUTLINED AS A REGION IN PLANNED BAY AREA. BECAUSE OUR POLICY IS ONLY AS GOOD AS OUR IMPLEMENTATION AND IF WE REQUIRE THIS 9 10 WORK PLAN, WE WILL GIVE JURISDICTIONS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK THROUGH THE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THEY WILL NEED TO MAKE TO 11 ADDRESS THE HOUSING CRISIS AND TO CREATE COMFORTABLE AND 12 AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS THAT CONNECT PEOPLE TO 13 OPPORTUNITY AND WHERE THAT I WANT AND NEED TO GO. SO, THANK 14

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OBAG FUNDING.

19 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS JENAE AUBREY.

YOU, GUYS SO MUCH FOR THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE AND I HOPE YOU

WILL CONSIDER GIVING THE TOC POLICY A MEANINGFUL PLACE IN THE

20 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

- 22 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS JENAE AUBREY SENIOR POLICY
- 23 MANAGER, I WOULD LIKE TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THE COMMENTS
- 24 THAT HAVE BEEN MADE FROM SPUR, ENTERPRISE, TRANSFORM, AND
- 25 CALIFORNIA YIMBY TO ENCOURAGE DEFINITION OF REQUIREMENT FOR



- 1 DESCRIBING ACTIONS IT WILL TAKE TO COMPLY WITH THE TOC POLICY,
- 2 TIMELINE AND SUPPORT TO TAKE THOSE ACTIONS, I BELIEVE IT'S
- 3 NECESSARY TO ACTUAL LIES THE POLICY GOALS LAID OUT IN PLANNED
- 4 BAY AREA 2050 AND IMPLEMENTING INCENTIVES TO SUPPORT
- 5 JURISDICTIONS TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROTECTIONS. AND
- 6 SUPPORTING REALISTIC COURSE OF ACTIONS IF WE DON'T TAKE THIS
- 7 IMPORTANT STEP IN REQUIRING THAT WE'LL BE FURTHER AWAY FROM
- 8 REALIZING THIS VISION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND I
- 9 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO ENSURE THIS IS EFFECTIVELY
- 10 IMPLEMENTED. THANK YOU.

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- 12 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS FROM BIKE EAST
- 13 BAY. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

- 15 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING. THIS IS DAVE CAMPBELL WITH BIKE EAST
- 16 BAY ADVOCACY DIRECTOR WORKING IN CONTRA COSTA AND ALAMEDA
- 17 COUNTIES. HEAR IN SUPPORT OF COMMENTS FROM OUR COLLEAGUES AT
- 18 SPUR, TRANSFORM, ENTERPRISE, CALIFORNIA YIMBY A STRONG TOC
- 19 POLICY WHAT I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU IS WHAT I HAVE BEEN
- 20 DISCUSSING WITH MANY CITY IN THE EAST BAY AND YOUR STAFF
- 21 WORKING ON THE TOC POLICY IS THE CHALLENGE OF GETTING MORE
- 22 PEOPLE TO WALK, BIKE, AND TAKE TRANSIT BUS SERVICE TO OUR
- 23 MAJOR TRANSIT STATIONS IN THE EAST BAY. IN THE EAST BAY, WE
- 24 HAVE MANY TRANSIT STATIONS TYPICALLY AT THE BART STATION AND
- 25 IT'S BUILT VERY CLOSE TO A FREEWAY AND THERE ARE LOTS ARE CARS



- 1 COMING ON AND OFF THE FREEWAY? GENERAL AND LOTS OF CARS COMING
- 2 TO THE TRANSIT STATION EITHER TO DROP OFF OR PICK UP. AND
- 3 WORKING WITH CITIES, THOSE CARS ARE STILL TOO HIGH OF A
- 4 PRIORITY AND IT'S MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO IMPROVE WALKING AND
- 5 BIKING IN TRANSIT TO THE STATION. SO THIS BECOMES A POLICY
- 6 ISSUE. WHAT ARE THE PRIORITY ACCESS ISSUES AT THESE BART
- 7 STATIONS? AND IT WOULD HELP TO HAVE MTC AND THE TOC POLICY
- 8 TAKE A STRONG POSITION THAT WE HAVE TO PRIORITIZE WALKING,
- 9 BIKING, AND TRANSIT TO THESE STATIONS. NOT TO SAY WE CAN'T
- 10 ACCOMMODATE TO THE EXTENT WE CAN, CARS, BUT TO DO IT THAT WAY
- 11 OTHER THAN THE OTHER WAY AROUND TO ACCUSTOM CARS COMING INTO
- 12 THE TRANSIT STATION BUT AS WE CAN PEOPLE WALKING AND BIKING
- 13 AND TAKING TRANSIT. SO, LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR SUPPORT FOR NOT
- 14 ONLY THIS STRONG TOC POLICY BUT GOOD POLICIES THAT SUPPORT
- 15 WALKING, BIKING AND TRANSIT ACCESS TO TRANSIT STATIONS IN THE
- 16 EAST BAY. THANKS.

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- 18 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. I SEE NO ADDITIONAL HANDS
- 19 RAISED, MR. CHAIR. HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THERE WAS ONE
- 20 WRITTEN LETTER OF CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED, AND IN ERROR POSTED
- 21 IT TO ITEM 14 BUT WILL MOVE IT OVER TO THIS ITEM

- 23 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, KIMBERLY, AND I
- 24 DO WANT TO CALL ON OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RESPOND TO SOME
- 25 QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED. BEFORE WE DO THAT, LET'S GO TO



VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ WHO SHARED HE HAS SOME COMMENTS AND 1 2 QUESTIONS. 3 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I'M HAPPY FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO 4 5 GO FIRST. 6 7 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: OKAY. THERESE, GO AHEAD. 8 THERESE MCMILLAN: TERRIFIC. THANKS. YOU KNOW, I WANTED TO MAKE 9 AN IMPORTANT OBSERVATION ABOUT WHAT IS CURRENTLY REQUIRED AND 10 HOW THAT CIRCUMSTANCE HAS CHANGED. AS YOU KNOW, THE CURRENT 11 OBAG REOUIREMENTS DOES MANDATE THAT ELIGIBLE CITIES AND 12 COUNTIES HAVE A COMPLIANT HOUSING ELEMENT. AS WE ALL KNOW WITH 13 RHNA SIX, WE NOW -- THE BAR ON WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE WAS RAISED 14 SIGNIFICANTLY, AND, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA OF AFFIRMATIVELY 15 16 FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING. AND, SO, OUR CITIES AND COUNTIES ACROSS THE BOARD ARE NOW DEEP IN THE PROCESS OF HAVING TO 17 DEVELOP NEW HOUSING ELEMENTS TO BE COMPLIANT WITH MUCH HIGHER 18 EXPECTATIONS OF NOT ONLY THE NUMBER OF HOUSES TO BE PROVIDED, 19 PLANNED FOR, AND PROVIDED, BUT THE NATURE OF THAT HOUSING AND 20 21 THAT IS A HUGE LIFT FOR THE REGION, AND ATTUNED TO WHAT IT TAKES TO HAVE OUR JURISDICTIONS BE ABLE TO CLEAR THAT BAR NOT 22 ONLY TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT THEMSELVES BUT IMPORTANTLY TO 23 IMPLEMENT THEM AND IN MY OPINION, FOCUSING OUR ATTENTION ON 24

ASSISTING CITIES AND COUNTIES IN DELIVERING ON HOUSING

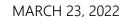


- 1 COMPLIANT ELEMENTS WHICH BY THE WAY WE HAVE A HEADS UP THAT
- 2 HCD IS BEING INCREDIBLY RIGOROUS IN THEIR REVIEWS OF DRAFT
- 3 ELEMENTS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND DELIVERING UP TO 15 PAGES
- 4 ON A ROUTINE BASIS OF WHAT THEY'RE SEEING IS NOT WORKING. SO
- 5 THE STATE AGENCIES THEMSELVES ARE TAKING THIS INCREDIBLY
- 6 SERIOUSLY. I WOULD SUGGEST WE FOCUS OUR EFFORTS THERE FIRST
- 7 AND ONCE THE TOD POLICY HAS BEEN ADOPTED WE CAN THEN SPEAK TO
- 8 WHAT ADDITIONAL PREPARATORY AND ALIGNMENT WORK CAN BE DONE TO
- 9 LOOK FORWARD TO OBAG FOUR, BUT, RIGHT NOW, IMPOSING YET
- 10 ANOTHER PLANNING REQUIREMENT WHILE OUR JURISDICTIONS ARE
- 11 HAVING TO DELIVER ON THE FOUNDATIONALLY CHANGED HOUSING
- 12 ELEMENTS. I WOULD RECOMMEND WOULD NOT BE THE WISEST PATH AT
- 13 THIS POINT.

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- 15 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, THERESE. AND I WANT TO
- 16 CONCUR WITH YOUR COMMENTS AND ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE ARE
- 17 CITIES TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT THING GRAPPLING WITH THIS AND
- 18 THE PLANNING DIRECTORS TRYING TO GET INTO IMPLEMENTATION STAGE
- 19 THERE ARE MULTIPLE TOOLS IN THE TOOLBOX AND I BELIEVE HCD IS
- 20 TAKING A VERY SERIOUS STANCE AND SENDING A GOOD MESSAGE. WITH
- 21 THAT WE'LL GO TO VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.

- 23 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: THANK YOU. I HAVE BEEN A BIG
- 24 PROPONENT OF THIS TOC POLICY UPDATE AND IT GOES BEYOND WHAT
- 25 HOUSING ELEMENTS REQUIRE, BECAUSE IT SORT OF REALLY FOLLOWS





- 1 THROUGH ON PLANNED BAY AREA, NOT JUST SORT OF DELIVERING
- 2 NUMERICAL NUMBERS OF HOUSING UNITS WHICH IS PRIMARILY WHAT THE
- 3 HOUSING ELEMENTS REQUIRE, BUT REALLY MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE
- 4 CREATING TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES AROUND OUR TRANSIT
- 5 STATIONS. OUR HIGHEST CAPACITY STATIONS, BECAUSE IT'S NOT JUST
- 6 THE NUMBER OF UNITS, BUT IT'S WHERE THE -- YOU KNOW, WHERE
- 7 THOSE UNITS ARE REALLY BEING BUILT IS THOSE COMMUNITIES ARE
- 8 BEING BUILT WITH SIDEWALKS AND BUS ACCESS AND BIKE ACCESS, AND
- 9 THERE IS LIMITED AMOUNTS OF PARKING ON-SITE SO THAT WE'RE NOT
- 10 TAKING UP A LOT OF THE LAND AROUND THE TRANSIT STATIONS WITH
- 11 PARKING FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS OR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS, NOT
- 12 TRANSIT BUILDING. AND THINGS, AS WELL AS, KIND OF, CRITICAL
- 13 ANTI-DISPLACEMENT POLICIES WHICH, WHERE THERE IS A LOT OF,
- 14 KIND OF, FLEXIBILITY FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO ADOPT ONES
- 15 WHICH MAKE SENSE FOR THEM, BUT THERE IS STILL THE
- 16 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THAT'S AN IMPORTANT PART OF CREATING
- 17 EQUITABLE TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES. AND, SO, I HAVE HAD --
- 18 I SPOKE WITH STAFF AT LENGTH SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE THIS MEETING
- 19 -- AND THANK YOU, ALIX FOR SUFFERING THROUGH THOSE CALLS --
- 20 AND I APPRECIATE WHY THIS MAY NOT -- OBAG THREE MAY NOT BE THE
- 21 TIME TO IMPOSE REQUIREMENTS, BUT I REALLY, REALLY, STRONGLY
- 22 BELIEVE THAT WHEN WE ADOPT THE TOC POLICY, WE SHOULD BE CLEAR
- 23 THAT THIS WILL -- THAT COMPLYING WITH THE TOC POLICY WILL BE A
- 24 REQUIREMENT BY OBAG 4, 4 YEARS DOWN THE LINE FROM NOW. WHICH,
- 25 I THINK IS CONSISTENT WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MCMILLAN'S

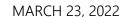


- 1 STAGING COMMENTS THAT CITIES AND COUNTIES HAVE TO GET THROUGH
- 2 THE CURRENT ROUND OF PLANNING BEFORE THEY CAN UNDERTAKE THE
- 3 NEXT ROUND OF PLANNING. AND IT WILL GIVE US PLENTY OF TIME TO
- 4 SUPPORT CITIES IN MAKING THAT TRANSITION, AS WELL. AND I THINK
- 5 IF WE DON'T KIND OF BACK UP THE TOC POLICY WITH THOSE, KIND
- 6 OF, CLEAR, WITH THE SORT OF COMMITMENT THAT THIS IS GOING TO
- 7 BE SOMETHING THAT WE EXPECT OUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO ADOPT
- 8 BY OBAG FOUR, I THINK THERE IS NOT MUCH POINT IN DOING A TOC
- 9 POLICY AT ALL.

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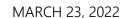
- 11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH VICE
- 12 CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ. COMMISSIONER WORTH?

- 14 AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. I WANT TO SHARE SOME
- 15 COMMENTS WITH REGARD TO THIS ITEM. FIRST OF ALL, I SUPPORT THE
- 16 STAFF RECOMMENDATION, AND I CONCUR WITH OUR EXECUTIVE
- 17 DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS. AS YOU ALL KNOW, CITIES IN THE BAY AREA
- 18 ARE INVOLVED, RIGHT NOW, IN A HISTORIC RHNA PROCESS. THE
- 19 NUMBERS AND THE MIX OF HOUSING IS SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED AND
- 20 INCREASED. IN MY EXPERIENCE, FIRST OF ALL, IN TERMS OF THE TOC
- 21 DRAFT POLICIES, THOSE WERE PRESENTED TO OUR COMMISSION ONLY
- 22 RECENTLY, AND THE AGREEMENT AT THE TIME WAS THAT WE WERE GOING
- 23 TO DO SIGNIFICANT OUTREACH, WHICH, OF COURSE, IS VERY
- 24 IMPORTANT. HADN'T BEEN DONE BEFORE THE DRAFT ELEMENT, AND THAT
- 25 WE REACH OUT TO ALL THE CITIES TO THE PLANNING DIRECTORS, TO



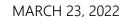


- 1 THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES, WITH REGARDS TO THESE
- 2 PROPOSALS AND WE HAVE BEEN DOING THAT IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY,
- 3 EXTENSIVELY, HAD MEETINGS WITH PLANNING DIRECTORS, WITH OUR
- 4 TRANSPORTATION DIRECTORS FOR OUR CITIES, AS WELL AS OUR
- 5 STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE BIA, OF THE BAY AREA, WHICH IS THE
- 6 ENTITY THAT'S VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN BUILDING AND PRODUCING
- 7 HOUSING AND THAT'S A GOAL WE ALL SHARE. IN ADDITION TO THIS
- 8 HISTORIC RHNA PROCESS, THE ABAG GRANTS HAVE ENABLED CITIES
- 9 ACROSS THE REGION TO ENGAGE IN A MUCH DEEPER ANALYSIS OF
- 10 OPPORTUNITIES FOR, TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SECOND OF ALL,
- 11 BECAUSE OF OUR URBAN LIMIT LINES AND OUR GROWTH POLICIES, MOST
- 12 OF THE BUILDING THAT'S GOING TO BE HAPPENING, MOST OF THE RHNA
- 13 IS HAPPENING NEAR TRANSIT FOR THOSE WHERE APPROPRIATE TO THOSE
- 14 CITIES. OBVIOUSLY NOT ALL THE CITIES IN THE REGION ARE ON
- 15 MAJOR TRANSIT LINES, BUT THE FOCUS, CERTAINLY, IN TERMS OF
- 16 FUTURE PLANNING IS EXACTLY WHAT THE SPEAKERS HAVE SAID. WHAT
- 17 WE'RE FINDING, THOUGH, IS THAT THERE IS SOME CONFLICTS BETWEEN
- 18 THESE PROPOSED DRAFT POLICIES AND THE CURRENT TOD POLICIES,
- 19 AND, YOU KNOW, RHNA, IN OUR ABILITY TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS.
- 20 SO, I THINK THE OUTREACH AND THE OTHER THING IS, THE
- 21 CHALLENGING INTERSECTION BETWEEN HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION.
- 22 AND I THINK IT'S -- IT'S OF COURSE IMPERATIVE THAT WE WANT TO
- 23 BE BUILDING BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN RESOURCES IN OUR DOWNTOWNS,
- 24 ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE ACCESS TO TRANSIT, AND THIS IS WHAT
- 25 CITIES ARE DOING. SO, THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE FOR MANY REGIONS





- 1 OF THE BAY AREA IS TONER THAT THERE IS ADEQUATE FUNDING, THAT
- 2 THE POLICIES DON'T RESTRICT THE ABILITY OF, SAY, CITIES AND
- 3 COUNTIES LIKE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TO IMPLEMENT THE KIND OF
- 4 BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN AND HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE CITIES
- 5 VERY MUCH WANT TO DO. SO, I THINK THAT IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS
- 6 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A REAL ACTIVE DISCUSSION OVER THESE
- 7 POLICIES AND TO SEE HOW THEY INTERACT, BUT IN THE MEANTIME,
- 8 OUR CITIES ARE, AGAIN, HEAVILY ENGAGED IN THE RHNA PROCESS,
- 9 AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT CITIES ACROSS THE REGION, THESE ARE THE
- 10 KINDS OF PLACES THAT PEOPLE ARE LOOKING TO BUILD, ZONE FOR
- 11 HOUSING. BUT THE KEY THING IS WE HAVE TO HAVE THE POLICIES
- 12 THAT PROVIDE THE ABILITY TO ACTUALLY CONSTRUCT THE HOUSING,
- 13 ALSO. I THINK WE SHOULD PROCEED WITH THE COURSE THAT WE'RE
- 14 UNDERTAKING, AND I THINK WE NEED TO PROCEED WITH THE COURSE
- 15 THAT WE ARE UNDERTAKING AND WE HAVE A REAL OPPORTUNITY IN THE
- 16 REGION TO GO TO WORK TOGETHER TO IMPLEMENT PLANNED BAY AREA
- 17 2050 AND WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN ENGAGEMENT BY ALL OF THE
- 18 CITIES TO DO THE KIND OF HOUSING ELEMENT PLANNING THAT WILL
- 19 HELP US ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS. AND THE CHALLENGES WE HAVE IS
- 20 HAVING THE SUFFICIENT FUND TO BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO DO
- 21 WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. I SUPPORT THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND
- 22 REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO THIS ROBUST PROCESS IN THE NEXT FEW
- 23 MONTHS OF GETTING ALL THE FEEDBACK ON THESE POLICIES AND THEY
- 24 COME BACK TO THE COMMISSION TO HAVE A PATHWAY INDETERMINATE OF
- 25 PRODUCTIVE PATHWAY FORWARD.





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2 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GREAT COMMENTS TO BRING TO

3 THE PERSPECTIVE TO THE CONVERSATION. COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

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5 GINA PAPAN: I AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF STAFF AT THIS

6 POINT IN TIME AND THANK YOU TO THE STAFF FOR MEETING WITH SOME

7 OF US. WE AGREE THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLANNED BAY AREA

8 2050 IS SO VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND JUST TRYING TO RECOGNIZE

9 SOME OF THE UNIQUE ELEMENTS, PUTTING ALL THE PIECES TOGETHER

10 ENHANCING TRANSIT, ENHANCING HOUSING, AND ACCESS, THERE, TOO,

11 IS SOMETIMES NOT AS GENERAL AS PEOPLE THINK. PARTICULARLY, END

12 OF THE LINE STATIONS. THOSE OF MY COLLEAGUES IN THE EAST BAY

13 THAT ARE NOW GETTING THOSE UNDERSTAND THAT IF WE WANT TO GET

14 PEOPLE ON TRANSIT, WE REALLY NEED TO BE ENABLE TO BE ABLE TO

15 DO SO IF THEY'RE DRIVING FROM FAR AWAY TO GET ON A BART TRAIN

16 WILL NEED A PLACE TO PARK. JEST DIFFERENT ELEMENTS THAT WE

17 HOPE TO GET ALL THESE PIECES PUT TOGETHER SO THAT EVERYTHING

18 DOES RUN SMOOTHLY, AND THE FUNDING IS SO VERY KEY ESPECIALLY

19 TO THOSE OF US WHO ARE TRYING TO PROVIDE LOW, VERY LOW HOUSING

20 FOR RESIDENTS, SO THAT THEY CAN STAY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES,

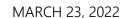
21 OR THEY HAVE TO WORK THERE. SO, I DO APPLAUD ALL THE EFFORTS

22 HERE AND AGREE WITH THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION AT THIS POINT IN

23 TIME, WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING THIS WORK, AND WE ARE,

24 REALLY, WORKING HARD FOR OUR RHNA AND ABOVE. SO, THANK YOU SO

25 MUCH.





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- 2 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN.
- 3 COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?

- 5 MARGARET ABE-KOGA: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER, AND THANK YOU FOR
- 6 THE COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONER PAPAN AND WORTH. WE'RE INSIDE THE
- 7 CITY IN THE THICK OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND ONE OF THE THINGS
- 8 I WANTED TO POINT OUT IS THERE IS AN EXTRA CHALLENGE RIGHT NOW
- 9 FOR ALL OF US IN THAT WE'RE HAVING CHALLENGES WITH STAFFING,
- 10 FRANKLY. THE JOB MARKET IS VERY TIGHT RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE A LOT
- 11 OF VACANCIES AND WE'RE TRYING TO FILL THEM QUICKLY, BUT
- 12 WHETHER IT'S THE GREAT RESIGNATION OR WHATEVER IT IS, IT'S A
- 13 CHALLENGE. AND SO TO ADD MORE PLANNING ON TOP OF WHAT WE'RE
- 14 TRYING TO DO AT THE HOUSING ELEMENT, AND THEN, AS WAS
- 15 MENTIONED BY COMMISSIONER WORTH, THE KEY REALLY FOR ME IS
- 16 IMPLEMENTATION AND, YOU KNOW, IT BECOMES MORE CHALLENGE FIGURE
- 17 WE'RE ASKED TO START ANOTHER PLANNING PROCESS. SO, AND THERE
- 18 IS DEFINITELY, WITH RESOURCES, YOU KNOW, THAT THAT IS
- 19 MENTIONED, THAT'S KEY. I ALSO HAVE NOTICED, AND I THINK
- 20 SOMEONE ELSE MENTIONED, THERE ARE SOME CONFLICTS THAT ARE
- 21 COMING UP WITH DIFFERENT POLICIES CONFLICTING WITH EACH OTHER.
- 22 WE RECENTLY -- WE HAD A PROJECT THAT WAS IN -- WELL, WE'RE ALL
- 23 INFILL, BUT TRYING TO PREVENT DISPLACEMENT, BUT THAT ACTUALLY
- 24 ENDED UP CAUSING CHALLENGES WITH SOME OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL
- 25 STANDARDS IN CEQA. SO, I THINK THERE IS JUST SOME THOUGHT WE



- 1 NEED TO -- WE JUST NEED TO SPEND A LITTLE TIME TO SEE HOW SOME
- 2 OF THIS PLAYS OUT, AND THEN HAVE THOSE THOUGHTFUL
- 3 CONVERSATIONS OF, YOU KNOW, HOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD, YOU KNOW,
- 4 MAKE SOME OF THESE CORRECTIONS SO THAT WE REALLY GET THE
- 5 COMPLETE COMMUNITIES THAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR. YOU KNOW, NOT
- 6 JUST HOUSING, BUT REAL COMMUNITIES AND REAL NEIGHBORHOODS.
- 7 THANK YOU.

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- 9 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA. I'M
- 10 GOING TO CALL ON COMMISSIONER FLEMING, COMMISSIONER SPERING,
- 11 AND THEN I WANT TO GET TO ALIX, SHE'S BEEN VERY INVOLVED.
- 12 COMMISSIONER FLEMING?

- 14 VICTORIA FLEMING: I'LL TRY TO KEEP THIS BRIEF. MOST OF MY
- 15 COMMENTS HAVE BEEN STATED PREVIOUSLY WHAT I WANT TO NOTE IS
- 16 THAT I OFTEN GET CONCERNED ABOUT REPRESENTING A SMALLER
- 17 JURISDICTION IS THAT THIS IS SOMEHOW AN URBAN VERSUS SUBURBAN
- 18 DISCUSSION, AND I WANT TO EXPRESS MY FULL-THROATED SUPPORT FOR
- 19 THE TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES POLICY. AND WHAT I WANT TO
- 20 EMPHASIZE IS THAT IT'S SOMEWHERE WHERE WE COULD ALL SHARE THE
- 21 PRINCIPLES OF WHERE WE WANT TO GO AND THERE ARE CHALLENGES AND
- 22 HURDLES AND I WANT TO SUPPORT STAFF RECOMMENDATION IN TERMS OF
- 23 PUTTING IT IN. I WANT TO ENSURE THAT STAFF AND MTC HEARS AND
- 24 OTHER COMMISSIONERS IS THAT HERE IN SONOMA COUNTY AND SANTA
- 25 ROSA IN PARTICULAR WE'RE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT GETTING THERE AND



- 1 ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT BUILDING MORE UNITS AND MAKING OUR
- 2 COMMUNITY MORE BIKE AND PED WELCOMING, AND PRIZING CARS IN THE
- 3 LONG RUN AND ANOTHER THING I WANT TO SUGGEST IS THAT WE
- 4 CONSIDER SCALEABILITY IN ONE LARGE JURISDICTION IT'S NOT GOING
- 5 TO WORK IN SMALL MID-SIZED JURISDICTIONS, AND CONSIDERING
- 6 GOALS THAT WE SHARE AROUND DECARBONIZING OUR COMMUNITIES AND
- 7 GETTING CARS OUT OF THE WAY OF PEDESTRIANS, AND OTHER THINGS,
- 8 WE REALLY NEED TO TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT WHAT MIGHT WORK IN A
- 9 DENSE URBAN CORE IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THAN WHAT WORKS IN
- 10 WHAT I CONSIDER THE DENSE URBAN CORE OF MY SOMEWHAT
- 11 AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 12 CONSIDERATION OF MY COMMENTS AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO
- 13 GETTING THIS IMPLEMENTED WITH THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS.
- 15 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER FLEMING.
- 16 COMMISSIONER SPERING?
- 18 JAMES P. SPERING: I APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS MADE ESPECIALLY BY
- 19 VICTORIA AND MARGARET. WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAKING
- 20 CLEAR WE NEED TO DO MORE ON OUTREACH TO LOOK AT OUR IMPACT ON
- 21 OUR CURRENT COMMITMENT. STEP BACK ON THE PROJECTS THAT ARE
- 22 READY TO GO WE ARE COMMITTED TO THIS TOC POLICY THAT IS THE
- 23 DIRECTION MTC NEEDS TO GO AND I DON'T THINK YOU'RE GOING SEE
- 24 US PULLING BACK FROM A LOT OF THESE STRATEGIES BUT MAKE SURE
- 25 IT DOESN'T NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE ALLOCATIONS WE HAVE MADE IN

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OBAG THREE AND OUR COMMITMENT BUT THE OVERALL POLICY IS 1 2 DIRECTION. MORE OUTREACH IS NEEDED WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREED 3 WITH. 4 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING. GREAT CLOSING COMMENTS. ALIX, DO YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING? I KNOW 6 7 YOU HAVE BEEN VERY INVOLVED IN SOCIALIZING THIS. 8 ALIX BOCKELMAN: THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA AND THANK YOU 9 10 COMMISSIONERS FOR YOUR COMMENTS AND TO THE PUBLIC, THANK YOU. I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE COMMITMENT TO THE TOC POLICY THAT THE 11 COMMISSION WILL BE ADOPTING IN THE SUMMER IN A PHASE IN 12 APPROACH AND YOU TALKED ABOUT RESOURCES AND CONNECTING ONE 13 MORE DOT, ADOPTING THE GUIDELINES FOR THE CALL FOR PROJECTS 14 15 AND THE PROGRAMS THERE IS MORE CONVERSATION IN THE COMING 16 MONTHS ABOUT THE REGIONAL PROGRAM YOU HAVE MADE SOME DECISIONS ON THAT WHEN YOU ADOPTED OBAG THREE THE FRAMEWORK IN JANUARY 17 BUT ONE IMPORTANT PART OF THAT IS FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE 18 GROWTH FRAMEWORK. AND YOU SUPPORTED SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF 19 FUNDS IN THAT, AND ALSO WE HAVE CONCEPTUALLY, I THINK, A 20 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF REAP FUNDS OVER \$180 MILLION AND WE'LL 21 BE COMING BACK TO THE JOINT PLANNING AND ADMIN COMMITTEE NEXT 22 MONTH TO START TALKING ABOUT THE BEST WAY TO INVEST THOSE 23 FUNDS AND IT COULD BE AN IMPORTANT AREA FOR SUPPORTING OUR 24

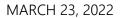
JURISDICTIONS AND HELPING THEM GET INTO COMPLIANCE AND TO MEET



1	THE GOALS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO WANT TO SEE IN THE TOC POLICY.
2	SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT ADDITION THAT THERE ARE RESOURCES
3	THAT YOU WILL BE TALKING ABOUT IN THE COMING MONTHS. THANK
4	YOU.
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6	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU ALIX. AND COMMISSIONERS, AND
7	THE PUBLIC REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS WE'RE NOT WALKING
8	BACK FROM THIS COMMITMENT IT'S A RECOGNITION THAT THERE ARE
9	MULTIPLE STEPS RECOGNIZING THE PRESSURES THAT LOCAL
10	MUNICIPALITIES FACE AND RECOGNIZING THE COMMENTS. WE HAVE NO
11	FURTHER COMMENT. KIMBERLY LET'S PROCEED WITH ROLL CALL VOTE.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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15	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.
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17	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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19	CLERK OF THE BOARD: ABE-KOGA?
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21	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.
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23	CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?
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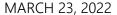
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EDDIE AHN: YES.



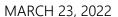


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2	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?
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4	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ?
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8	CINDY CHAVEZ: YES.
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10	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CONNOLY?
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	DAMON CONNOLLY: AYE.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?
	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE
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	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER FLEMING?
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20	VICTORIA FLEMING: YES.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: GLOVER?
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24	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.





CLERK OF THE BOARD: LICCARDO? SAM LICCARDO: AYE. **CLERK OF THE BOARD: MILEY?** NATHAN MILEY: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: PAPAN? GINA PAPAN: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT? DAVID RABBIT: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER SPERING? JAMES P. SPERING: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: WORTH?





1 AMY R. WORTH: AYE. 2 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL 4 5 MEMBERS PRESENT. 6 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. COMMISSIONER 7 8 RABBIT ARE? 9 DAVID RABBIT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MTC -- ITEM 12B IS MTC 10 RESOLUTION NUMBERS 4510, 4513, AND 4169 REVISED TRANSIT 11 CAPITAL PRIORITIES PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS OF 2021, 2022, AND 12 '23/'24. THIS PROGRAMS 1.4 BILLION IN FTA FORMULA REVENUES FOR 13 BRIDGE TOLLS AND PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, THROUGH 2023, 14 2024 FOR TRANSIT OPERATORS STATE OF GOOD REPAIR CONSISTENT 15

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REVISED.

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20 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER RABBIT FOR

WITH THE TRANSIT CAPITAL PRIORITIES FOR IT. CP PROCESS IN

CRITERIA. I MOVE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTIONS 4510, 4513, AND 4169

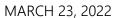
21 RESOLUTION 4510, 4513, AND 4169. DO I HAVE A SECOND?

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23 VICTORIA FLEMING: SECOND FROM FLEMING.



1	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SECOND FROM FLEMING; SONOMA COUNTY.
2	ALL RIGHT. COMMISSIONERS DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
3	I DON'T SEE ANY. KIMBERLY, HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT
4	ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
7	THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
8	ON THIS ITEM.
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10	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SEEING NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. WE HAVE
11	FIRST BY COMMISSIONER RABBIT AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER
12	FLEMING. LET'S PROCEED TO ROLL CALL VOTE.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: PEDROZA?
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16	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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18	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.
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20	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: ABE-KOGA?
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24	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.





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23	VICTOR	XIA	FLEN	MING: Y	ES.	
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1 2 FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES. 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? 4 5 SAM LICCARDO: AYE. 6 7 8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER MILEY? 9 NATHAN MILEY: YES. 10 11 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER PAPAN? 12 13 GINA PAPAN: YES. 14 15 16 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RABBIT? 17 18 DAVID RABBIT: AYE. 19 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RONEN? IS ABSENT. 20 21 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? 22 23 LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE. 24 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER SPERING? 25





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12 JAMES P. SPERING: YES.

4 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER WORTH?

6 AMY R. WORTH: AYE.

8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL

9 MEMBERS PRESENT.

11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, KIMBERLY.

13 DAVID RABBIT: AGENDA ITEM 12C MTC RESOLUTION 4273 REVISED

- 14 FISCAL YEAR 2022 CAP-AND-TRADE LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS
- 15 PROGRAM TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 CAP-AND-TRADE -- I DID
- 16 THIS LAST TIME -- LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM. AS
- 17 WAS STATED PREVIOUSLY. IT'S SO IMPORTANT IT'S ON THERE TWICE.
- 18 AND I SO MOVE.

20 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: [LAUGHTER] ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A FIRST

- 21 BY COMMISSIONER RABBIT. I'LL ENTERTAIN A SECOND TO APPROVE MTC
- 22 RESOLUTION 4273?

24 **JAMES P. SPERING:** SPERING.

24 JAMES P. SPERING: SPERING



1	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I SEE COMMISSIONER SPERING WILL SECOND
2	THAT. COMMISSIONERS ANY QUESTIONS? I DO NOT SEE ANY. KIMBERLY
3	HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?
4	
5	SPEAKER: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND
6	RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS
7	ITEM.
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9	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. BRINGING IT BACK TO
10	COMMISSIONERS. SEEING NO FURTHER DISCUSSION FIRST BY
11	COMMISSIONER RABBIT SECOND BY COMMISSIONER SPERING. LET'S
12	PROCEED TO THE ROLL CALL VOTE.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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16	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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18	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?
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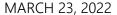




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12	GINA PAPAN: YES.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT?
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16	DAVID RABBIT: AYE.
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18	CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN IS ABSENT. SCHAFF?
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20	LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE.
21	
22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?
23	
24	JAMES P. SPERING: AYE.





1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: WORTH?

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3 AMY R. WORTH: AYE.

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- 5 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL
- 6 MEMBERS PRESENT.

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- 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, KIMBERLY, AND THANK YOU
- 9 COMMISSIONER RABBIT FOR THOSE REPORTS OUT. LET'S PROCEED TO
- 10 ITEM 13 ON OUR AGENDA JOINT MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE
- 11 ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER SPERING TAKE IT
- 12 AWAY.

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- 14 JAMES P. SPERING: OUR LAST ITEM WENT VERY LONG AND THIS ITEM
- 15 HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE FULL COMMISSION AND THIS IS THE
- 16 ADOPTION OF THE REVISED COMPLETE STREETS POLICY. MATT, ARE YOU
- 17 OR YOUR STAFF GOING TO GIVE A BRIEF PRESENTATION HERE?

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- 19 MATT MALONEY: YES WE HAVE SOME SLIDES. THIS IS MATT MALONEY
- 20 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING. KARA OBERG IS HERE AND SHE WILL
- 21 BRIEFLY WALK YOU THROUGH THE SLIDES.

- 23 KARA OBERG: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS I'M KARA OBERG PLANNING
- 24 STAFF HERE SEEKING ADOPTION OF THE UPDATE TO MTC'S CURRENT
- 25 COMPLETE STREETS POLICY WHICH IS A KEY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION



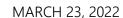


- 1 PLAN TASK. NEXT SLIDE. THE AT PLAN AND ITS SUBSEQUENT TASKS
- 2 COMPLETE STREETS POLICY ARE WORKING TO IMPLEMENT TWO PLANNED
- 3 BAY AREA STRATEGIES THAT YOU SEE LISTED HERE. T8 BUILD A
- 4 COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK AND T9 ADVANCE 0-EMISSIONSS POLICY
- 5 STREET DESIGNER AND REDUCE SPEEDS THESE TWO STRATEGIES ARE
- 6 HELPING US REACH OUR GOALS OF HAVING AN AFFORDABLE CONNECTED
- 7 DIVERSE HEALTHY VIBRANT PLANNED BAY AREA. THE AT PLAN IS
- 8 LISTED AS AN ACTION ITEM IN PLANNED BAY AREA'S FIVE-YEAR IP
- 9 WE'RE PROPOSING TO UPDATE THIS POLICY BECAUSE WE'RE TRENDING
- 10 IN THE WRONG DIRECTION FOR ROAD FATALITIES AND SERIES INJURIES
- 11 AND PEOPLE OF COLOR ARE OFTEN OVERREPRESENTED IN THESE
- 12 NUMBERS. WE KNOW CHANGING STREET DESIGNER CAN REDUCE SERIOUS
- 13 INJURIES AND ELIMINATE DEATHS. WE CAN HELP TO MEET SAFETY
- 14 EQUITY GOALS AND OUR GOALS AS WELL AS GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION
- 15 MANDATES. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. WHILE MTC IS UPDATING OUR
- 16 COMPLETE STREETS POLICY CALTRANS IS UPDATING THEIR AND USDOT
- 17 HAS RELEASED THE POLICY TARGET BOTH IN LINE WITH FEDERAL AND
- 18 STATE POLICY. NEXT SLIDE. SO I LAST PRESENTED TO THE PLANNING
- 19 AND ADMIN COMMITTEE IN DECEMBER AND SINCE THEN THERE HAS BEEN
- 20 A LOT OF STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIP DISCUSSIONS.
- 21 WHAT WE HEARD IS THAT JURISDICTIONS ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THE
- 22 POLICY BUT THEY'RE SEEKING MORE FLEXIBILITY FOR POTENTIAL
- 23 CONDITIONS IN WHICH CERTAIN COMPLETE STREETS ELEMENTS MAY NOT
- 24 BE ACHIEVED. SO SOME EXAMPLES THAT WE HEARD ARE TRAFFIC COMMON
- 25 FEATURES THAT MAY BE IN CONFLICT WITH LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS





- 1 CONFLICT IN ROADWAY TO TRANSIT OR ROADWAY ABETTING IN
- 2 CONSERVATION AREA IN PRESENTING TO THE MTC POLICY ADVISORY
- 3 COUNCIL THEY SUPPORT THE POLICY AS WELL THEY LOVE THE
- 4 SEPARATED BIKE FACILITIES AND FOCUS ON EQUITY PRIORITY
- 5 COMMUNITIES IN OUR FUNDING DECISIONS AND ALSO RAISED CONCERN
- 6 OVER THE UNINTENDED DESIGN CONSEQUENCES FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED.
- 7 NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO, WE'RE INCORPORATING THE FEEDBACK THAT
- 8 WE HEARD IN THREE MAIN WAYS. THE TWO MAIN ASPECTS OF OUR
- 9 POLICY IS IF A PROJECT IS SEEK REGIONAL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS
- 10 AND IS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, AND IF IT'S IN A RECENTLY
- 11 ADOPTED PLAN, IT SHOULD IMPLEMENT THAT PLAN. THE SECOND MAJOR
- 12 PIECE OF THE UPDATED COMPLETE STREETS POLICY IS THAT IF A
- 13 PROJECT IS ON THE REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK IT
- 14 SHOULD IMPLEMENT ALL AGES AND ABILITIES TO DESIGN GUIDELINES.
- 15 WE HAVE SINCE UPDATED THAT REFERENCE TO ALL AGES AND ABILITIES
- 16 TO FOCUS ON PRINCIPLES OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES AND THIS IS
- 17 EFFECTIVELY SERVING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN, OLDER ADULTS AND
- 18 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND HOW THIS IS ACHIEVED IS EITHER BY
- 19 SLOWING SPEEDS OF FAST MOVING MOTOR VEHICLES OR SEPARATING
- 20 VULNERABLE ROAD USERS, PEOPLE BIKING, WALKING, TAKING TRANSIT
- 21 FROM FAST MOVING VEHICLES. THE SECOND WAY WE'RE INCORPORATING
- 22 FEEDBACK IS EXPANDING SOME EXEMPTION CATEGORIES WHICH I'LL
- 23 TALK ABOUT IN A SECOND. AND THEN WE'RE PROPOSING TO EVALUATE
- 24 THE COMPLETE STREETS POLICY EVERY FOUR YEARS. OUR CURRENT
- 25 POLICY WAS ADOPTED IN 2006 AND WE WOULD LIKE TO UPDATE THAT





- 1 AND LOOK AT IT MORE FREQUENTLY. AND THIS TIMELINE WOULD BE IN
- 2 LINE WITH PLANNED BAY AREA AND OBAG. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. NEXT
- 3 SLIDE. NEXT SLIDE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF TIME TODAY I'M GOING TO
- 4 KEEP GOING. SO, MOVING -- ULTIMATELY WHEN I SAY ALL AGES AND
- 5 ABILITIES WHAT DO I MEAN? MOVING FROM THIS. STREETS THAT HAVE
- 6 NO SAFE SPACE FOR PEOPLE BIKING WALKING AND ROLLING OR HAVE
- 7 BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE BUT PRECLUDES SOMEONE FROM BEING FORCED
- 8 INTO THE FAST MOVING TRAVEL LANE OR STREETS THAT ARE NOT
- 9 MAINTAINED WHICH OFTEN USES THE BENEFIT OF THE INITIAL
- 10 TREATMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, WE WANT TO MOVE TO ALL AGES
- 11 AND ABILITIES. THESE ARE SAFE, THEY'RE COMFORTABLE, AND
- 12 THEY'RE EQUITABLE. AND ALL AGES AND ABILITIES USER IS A CHILD,
- 13 SENIOR, WOMAN, PERSON OF COLOR, LOW-INCOME RIDER PEOPLE WITH
- 14 DISABILITIES AS WELL AS ABLE-BODIED COMPETENT BIKERS AND ROAD
- 15 USERS. I WANT TO SHOW PHOTOS HERE THE UPPER LEFT PROTECTED
- 16 INTERSECTION ALLOWS FOR THE SAFE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE BIKING
- 17 WALKING ROLLING AND TAKING TRANSIT. WE SHOW A PHOTO OF LAKE
- 18 PATH OF PEOPLE USING PSYCH EMS THAT ARE COMFORTABLE ENOUGH TO
- 19 USE AND LOWER SPEEDS ON STREETS IN REDWOOD CITY ALLOWING FOR
- 20 INEXPENSIVE ROAD TREATMENTS TO ACHIEVE ALL AGES AND ABILITIES
- 21 FACILITIES. WE HAVE FOUR EXCEPTIONS LISTED ON THE RIGHT HAND
- 22 CORNER. THE FOUR INCLUDING IF A ROADWAY PROHIBITS USERS AND IF
- 23 THE COST IS ACCESSIBLY DISPROPORTIONATE IN NEED OR PROBABLY
- 24 USE BOTH DEFINED IN FHWA WE HAVE SINCE ADDED ENVIRONMENTAL
- 25 PUBLIC HEALTH THEY MENTIONED BEFORE AND THE LAST EXCEPTION



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MARCH 23, 2022

- 1 WOULD BE IF THERE IS AN ALTERNATE PLAN TO IMPLEMENT COMPLETE
- 2 STREETS IN AN ALTERNATE TIMELINE CURRENTLY WE USE COMPLETE
- 3 STREETS CHECKLIST TO IMPLEMENT POLICIES AND WE'RE PROPOSING TO
- 4 KEEP THAT A FEW HIGHLIGHTS OF PROPOSED CHANGES, WE HEARD FROM
- 5 JURISDICTIONS THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MINIMUM PROJECT
- 6 THRESHOLD FOR FILLING OUT THE CHECKLIST WE HAVE \$250,000 IN
- 7 LINE WITH OBAG THREE MINIMUM PROJECT AMOUNT. IF A JURISDICTION
- 8 IS SEEKING AN EXCEPTION ONE OF THE FOUR LISTED HERE WE'RE
- 9 ASKING FOR A PUBLIC WORKS OR DOT DIRECTOR TO SIGN OFF ON THAT
- 10 EXCEPTION. ADDITIONALLY SINCE WE'RE MOVING FROM BIKE PED FOCUS
- 11 TO COMPLETE STREETS WE'RE THINKING ABOUT TRANSIT SAFETY WE'RE
- 12 ASKING FOR ALL AFFECTED TRANSIT OPERATORS TO SIGN OFF IF THAT
- 13 PROJECT IS ON A BUS ROUTE OR ABUTTING A TRANSIT STOP OR
- 14 STATION. LASTLY WE WOULD LIKE THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
- 15 NETWORK TO BE PART OF COMPLETE STREETS SAFER TO IMPROVE
- 16 COMPLETE STREETS MAINTENANCE AND ULTIMATELY HOPEFULLY
- 17 IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPLETE STREETS AS WELL. NEXT SLIDE. NEXT
- 18 SLIDE. ONE MORE SLIDE. THANK YOU. SO, BECAUSE THE COMPLETE
- 19 STREETS POLICY REFERENCES THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK, I
- 20 WANT TO SHARE A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT IT. THE ACTIVE
- 21 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK IS A COLLECTION OF LOCAL NETWORKS
- 22 CONNECTING IMPORTANT PLANNED BAY AREA GEOGRAPHIES TO HELP US
- 23 MEET MODE SHIFT, EOUITY, AND SAFETY GOALS. IT ALLOWS FOR
- 24 COMPLETE STREETS CORRIDOR, WE SHOW ON A VERY GENERAL EXAMPLE
- 25 HERE THAT GIVES JURISDICTIONS IMPLEMENTATION FLEXIBILITY WHILE



- 1 ALSO SIMULTANEOUSLY INCREASING COMFORT, CONVENIENCE AND SAFETY
- 2 OF ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION IN THE REGION. NEXT SLIDE. SO THIS IS
- 3 MY LAST SLIDE HERE. THE NEXT STEPS ARE THAT WE'RE GOING TO
- 4 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH STAKEHOLDERS. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE
- 5 WE'RE UPDATING OUR COMPLETE STREETS CHECKLIST TO BE CONSISTENT
- 6 WITH THE POLICY WE WILL BE REFINING THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
- 7 NETWORK BASED ON STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK AND THAT NETWORK WILL BE
- 8 SEEKING ADOPTION OF THAT NETWORK WHEN WE'RE SEEKING ADOPTION
- 9 OF THE FINAL PLAN. WE'RE PREPPING A DRAFT FINAL PLAN THIS
- 10 SPRING INCLUDING NETWORK THEY MENTIONED, A FIVE YEAR
- 11 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AS WELL AS CONSIDERATIONS FOR TECHNICAL
- 12 ASSISTANCE AND WE'RE WORKING FOR A FINAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
- 13 PLAN COMMITTEE APPROVAL IN SUMMER OF THIS YEAR. SO, THANK YOU
- 14 FOR THE TIME THIS MORNING, AND HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.
- 16 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. QUICK
- 17 QUESTION. IF A COMMUNITY HAS A PROJECT UNDER THAT 250 IS THERE
- 18 A MINIMUM?
- 20 KARA OBERG: THE POLICY APPLIES TO ALL PROJECTS BUT WE'RE
- 21 TRYING TO REDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN FOR SMALL PROJECTS.
- 23 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, I SEE A COUPLE OF
- 24 QUESTIONS. DO YOU WANT ME TO GO THROUGH THIS NOW? OKAY. GINA?

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- 1 GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. AM I STILL HERE? OR DID I
- 2 FREEZE? OKAY. SORRY ABOUT THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GREAT
- 3 PRESENTATION HERE. IS THERE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE? MANY OF US,
- 4 THESE GREAT PROJECTS ARE ON, LIKE, IN EL CAMINO REAL, WHICH IS
- 5 A STATE HIGHWAY, AND THE THING THAT SLOWS US DOWN THE MOST IN
- 6 THESE PROJECTS IS CALTRANS. SO, IF WE CAN GET FURTHER
- 7 ASSISTANCE IN RESPONSIVENESS FROM CALTRANS, IT MAY BE
- 8 EXCEPTIONALLY HELPFUL. BUT EVEN TO GET AN ADDED RIGHT TURN
- 9 THESE DAYS WOULD BE HELPFUL. I KNOW THEY HAVE HAD A TURN
- 10 AROUND IN SACRAMENTO. SO JUST IF YOU COULD HELP US ALONG SOME
- 11 OF THOSE LINES WE CAN MAKE THINGS HAPPEN MUCH MORE QUICKLY AND
- 12 IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
- 14 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I THINK WE HAVE DOREEN AND THEN DINA.
- 15 DOREEN?

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- 17 DORENE M. GIACOPINI: THANK YOU. REGARDING THE SAFETY ISSUES
- 18 INVOLVING COMPLETE STREETS FOR ALL USERS, I JUST WANTED TO
- 19 MAKE SURE THAT IT'S ON YOUR RADAR SCREEN THAT THERE HAVE BEEN
- 20 CONCERNS IN SITUATIONS WHERE THERE ARE -- WHERE THERE IS A
- 21 SIDEWALK, A BIKE LANE, AND THEN PARKING. PARALLEL PARKING.
- 22 THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF CONCERNS FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE EXITING
- 23 FROM WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES, WHETHER IT'S THEIR OWN OR
- 24 PARATRANSIT, OR WHATEVER, THAT MAYBE YOU -- ANYWAY -- THAT YOU
- 25 DEPLOY YOUR RAM INTO THE BIKE LANE, AND THEN YOU -- YOU KNOW,



- 1 WHICH IS KIND OF DANGEROUS FOR BIKE RIDERS, AND THEN YOU COME
- 2 DOWN YOUR RAM AND AT THAT POINT YOU'RE IN DANGER OF BEING HIT
- 3 BY BIKERS. JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT'S ON YOUR RADAR SCREEN
- 4 AND IF YOU ARE AWARE OF THAT CONCERN AND IF YOU HAVE ANY
- 5 THOUGHTS ABOUT IT?

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7 KARA OBERG: SURE. CHAIR, HAPPY TO RESPOND IF THERE IS TIME?

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9 JAMES P. SPERING: OKAY. GO AHEAD.

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- 11 KARA OBERG: THANK YOU FOR THAT COMMENT, COMMISSIONER
- 12 GIOCAPINI, THIS ALSO CAME UP IN THE ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND WE
- 13 HAVE SOMEONE ON OUR TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FROM SAN
- 14 FRANCISCO, WHO IS ACTUALLY ON THE U.S. ACCESS BOARD AND SHE
- 15 RECOMMEND THAT WE USE THE PROPOSED PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY
- 16 ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES BY THE U.S. ACCESS BOARD SO WE HAVE
- 17 INCLUDE THAT IN OUR POLICY AS A KEY DOCUMENT THAT WE'RE
- 18 ENCOURAGING JURISDICTIONS TAKE A LOOK AT. SO WE'RE FOCUSING ON
- 19 PEOPLE WALKING AND INACCESSIBILITY AS WELL. AND WE ARE AWARE
- 20 OF THAT CONCERN. IT IS STILL A CHALLENGE, AND I THANK YOU FOR
- 21 RAISING THAT.

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23 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU, KARA. COMMISSIONER EL-TAWANSY?



- 1 DINA EL-TAWANSY: THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. VERY
- 2 IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US I WANT TO EMPHASIZE SOMETHING THAT YOU
- 3 MENTIONED DURING THE PRESENTATION ADDRESSING CALTRANS ONE OF
- 4 THE THINGS THAT WE'RE FOCUSING ON WITH OUR NEW POLICY IS
- 5 COMPLETE STREETS. IT'S A NEW FOCUS FOR US, NOT A NEW FOCUS,
- 6 BUT IT'S CONTINUED WITH A LITTLE BIT BROADER ATTENTION THAN IT
- 7 DID IN THE PAST. SO, WE ARE LOOKING TO IMPLEMENT COMPLETE
- 8 STREETS IN ALL PROJECTS WHETHER IT'S OUR PROJECTS OR LOCALLY
- 9 SPONSORED PROJECTS AS MUCH AS FEEBLE, OF COURSE. AND YOU KNOW,
- 10 COMMISSIONER PAPAN, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO INVITE YOU, IF THERE
- 11 IS ANY HURDLES THAT WE CAN REMOVE, OR IF THERE IS ANYTHING
- 12 THAT'S STUCK IN THE PROCESS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW. DON'T
- 13 HESITATE TO REACH OUT TO ME. BUT I THINK YOU SEE A HUGE SHIFT
- 14 IN OUR STAFF INCLUDING COMPLETE STREETS IN OUR ALIGNMENT WITH
- 15 OUR ACTION PLANS. SO JUST WANTED TO BRING THAT UP.

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- 17 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU FOR THOSE COMMENTS. NICK
- 18 JOSEFOWITZ?

- 20 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I AM REALLY
- 21 EXCITED BY THIS. AND I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT. I JUST WANTED
- 22 TO GET -- I DIDN'T FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CHANGES, TWO OF THE
- 23 CHANGES THAT ARE PROPOSED. ONE IS THE ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.
- 24 WHAT IS THAT MOVE MOVED FROM TO? DOES THIS NOW LIKE A
- 25 CHECKLIST SAYING THAT -- HOW DOES A PROJECT ADHERE WITH A



PRINCIPLE LIKE THIS? DOES EVERY JURISDICTION GET TO DETERMINE 1 THEMSELVES WHAT MEANS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES MEANS? I JUST 2 3 DON'T UNDERSTAND THE CHANGE. 4 5 KARA OBERG: THANK YOU FOR THE OUESTION. WE MOVED FROM ALL AGES AND ABILITIES GUIDELINES TO PRINCIPLES IN RESPONDING TO WHAT 6 WE HEARD FROM JURISDICTIONS SEEKING MORE FLEXIBILITY WE ARE 7 8 GOING IN THAT ROUTE. SINCE JURISDICTIONS, ALL THE JURISDICTIONS IN THE BAY AREA, EXCEPT ONE, HAVE ADOPTED THEIR 9 OWN COMPLETE STREETS POLICIES TO BE IN LINE WITH OBAG FUNDING 10 WE ARE TRUSTING THAT JURISDICTIONS ARE PUTTING FORTH THE BEST 11 COMPLETE STREETS POLICY DESIGN. THE CHECKLIST, THE PROPOSED 12 CHECKLIST THAT WE'RE STILL WORKING ON DOES SAY THAT YOU ARE 13 WORKING TOWARDS ALL AGES AND ABILITIES PRINCIPLES. SO, EITHER 14 SLOWING SPEEDS OR SEPARATING PEOPLE FROM FAST MOVING VEHICLES. 15 16 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: SO, THERE WAS A SLIDE THAT YOU PUT 17 UP, WHICH SHOWED, YOU KNOW, A SPACE FOR PEDESTRIAN BEING, 18 LIKE, OFF THE SIDE OF THE STREET, THE SIDEWALK, AND JUST KIND 19 OF LIKE WITH A BUNCH OF TRASH OR WHATEVER IT WAS, AND I THINK 20 21 WE HAVE ALL EXPERIENCED SORT OF HAVING TO WALK DOWN ONE OF THOSE THINGS. SO WITH THE NEW PRINCIPLES FRAMEWORK, YOU SAY OH 22 THAT'S OKAY AS LONG AS A JURISDICTION SLOWS SPEEDS, BECAUSE --23

OR, LIKE -- I MEAN, IF FEELS LIKE MOVING FROM GUIDELINES TO



- 1 PRINCIPLES IS NOT JUST A SORT OF A MINOR CHANGE, IT FEELS LIKE
- 2 IT'S SORT OF MIGHT MAKE THE POLICY LESS MEANINGFUL.

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- 4 KARA OBERG: I THINK WITH YOUR EXAMPLE OF THAT SPECIFIC ROADWAY
- 5 IN A JURISDICTION APPLYING FOR FUNDING FOR SOMETHING LIKE
- 6 THAT, MTC WILL BE REVIEWING ALL OF THE CHECKLISTS. WE'RE
- 7 REVIEWING IT FROM A STANDPOINT OF YOU WORKED WITH YOUR TRANSIT
- 8 OPERATORS, YOU ARE WORKING WITH YOUR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR FOR
- 9 SEEKING APPROVAL. WE'RE NOT DOING DESIGN REVIEW BY ANY MEANS,
- 10 BUT IF THAT PROJECT CAME IN, WE WOULD WORK WITH THE
- 11 JURISDICTION TO SAY HOW CAN WE IMPROVE THIS, OR ARE YOU
- 12 SEEKING AN EXCEPTION.

- 14 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I DON'T KNOW. THAT -- I MEAN, I --
- 15 I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING FLEXIBILITY, SO NOT
- 16 EVERY STREET SHOULD LOOK THE SAME. I DON'T EXPECT US TO DO
- 17 DESIGN REVIEW. THAT'S NOT WHAT I THINK THE ROLE MTC SHOULD BE
- 18 PLAYING. IT IS A LITTLE CONCERNING THAT WE ARE NOW IN A
- 19 SITUATION WHERE WE ARE BASICALLY -- WE ARE PROVIDING SO MUCH
- 20 FLEXIBILITY THAT IT FEELS LIKE THIS POLICY HAS BECOME
- 21 POTENTIALLY A LITTLE LESS MEAT -- DOESN'T HAVE AS MUCH
- 22 ENFORCEMENT THAT IF A JURISDICTION CAN JUST SAY, OH, YEAH,
- 23 THIS ONE, WE ABIDING BY THE PRINCIPLES AND THERE IS NO CHECK,
- 24 AND THERE'S NOTHING REALLY CLEAR WHAT THAT MEANS. HAVE I



MISUNDERSTOOD THAT? THAT FEELS LIKE A MEANINGFUL ROLL BACK TO 1 2 WHAT WE SAW THIS IN COMMITTEE. 3 KARA OBERG: I WOULD SEE IT AS A MEANINGFUL ROLL BACK AND WE 4 5 DID IT TO ADHERE TO WHAT WE HEARD FROM JURISDICTIONS OF 6 WANTING GREATER FLEXIBILITY. 7 8 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO SUPPORT. I HADN'T UNDERSTOOD THIS. I HAD HEARD IT IN COMMITTEE, THIS HAS 9 CHANGED. IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO SUPPORT SOMETHING WHERE 10 WE'RE GOING TO BE -- WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE ALLOWING SORT OF 11 SITUATIONS -- AND MAYBE IF YOU JUST PULL THAT SLIDE UP JUST TO 12 SORT OF SHOW EVERYBODY THAT, WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT HERE. AND 13 THIS IS AN ISSUE IN SAN FRANCISCO AND IT'S AN ISSUE ALL OVER 14 THIS COUNTRY. IT'S NOT -- I DON'T MEAN TO BE PICKING ON ANY 15 16 PARTICULAR JURISDICTION. WE HAVE LOTS AND LOTS OF COMMUNITIES THAT WERE BUILT WITHOUT KIND OF THINKING ABOUT PEDESTRIAN. AND 17 WALKING. COULD YOU -- CAN WE JUST GO BACK A FEW SLIDES HERE? 18 IMAGE ON THE LEFT. I THINK EVERYONE HAS HAD THAT FEELING 19 THEY'RE GOING TO GET HIT BY A CAR. IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO 20 21 SUPPORT SOMETHING WHERE WE ARE BASICALLY SAYING OH THAT'S GOING TO BE FINE. A JURISDICTION COULD JUST SAY, OH, MY PLAN 22 FOR THIS STREET HERE IS A BUNCH OF NEBULOUS PRINCIPLES I'M 23 GOING TO SORT OF HOPE THE TRAFFIC SLOWS DOWN AND WE JUST --24

AND THAT'S GOING TO MEET OUR COMPLETE STREETS POLICY. SO, I



DON'T KNOW, MATT, YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP? THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT 1 2 WE DON'T WANT 3 MATT MALONEY: MATT MALONEY DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING. I 4 5 WANT TO ADD A LITTLE COLOR TO THIS. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO SAY, IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE ALL AGES AND ABILITIES 6 PRINCIPLES ARE UNDERGIRDED BY SPECIFIC DESIGN GUIDANCE, AND 7 8 THAT DESIGN GUIDANCE WILL BE PART OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AND IT WILL BE PART OF THE CONTEXT THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT 9 WHEN STAFF ACTUALLY GOES THROUGH AND REVIEWS THE CHECKLIST. 10 SO, YOU KNOW, IN THE POLICY WE TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE GUIDANCE 11 THAT'S PROVIDED BY NACTO, AND IT'S PRETTY SPECIFIC DESIGN 12 GUIDANCE. SO, WHEN STAFF LOOKS AT THESE CHECKLISTS, YOU KNOW, 13 WE WILL BE, YOU KNOW, LOOKING AT SOME SPECIFIC GUIDANCE IN 14 ORDER TO APPROVE THAT. SO I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE SORT OF 15 16 THAT WAS CLEAR. SO IT'S NOT NECESSARILY. 17 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: IT'S NOT [INDISCERNIBLE] ROAD TO 18 GET THROUGH, MATT? 19 20 MATT MALONEY: I THINK WHAT KARA'S SLIDE WAS TRYING TO SAY IS 21 WE'RE TRYING TO MOVE AWAY FROM THOSE TYPES OF FACILITIES AND 22 THE NEXT SLIDE AFTER THAT WAS TALKING ABOUT ALL AGES AND 23

ABILITIES AND THAT'S WHAT THOSE PICTURES WERE TRYING TO

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DISPLAY.



1 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I UNDERSTAND THAT AND I UNDERSTAND 2 3 THE ASPIRATION AND I AM SUPPORTIVE OF THE ASPIRATION BUT WITH THE ROAD, THAT WAS ON THE SLIDE, WOULD WE GET DISCRETIONARY 4 5 FUNDING AND NOT CHANGING THAT ELEMENT OF IT WOULD THAT STILL PASS THE COMPLETE STREETS CHECKLIST? IF THE CITY OPTED IN AND 6 SAID YES IT SORT OF KIND OF MEETS OUR VISION OF ALL AGES AND 7 8 ABILITIES. 9 MATT MALONEY: I THINK STAFF'S OPINION IS IF THAT ROAD WAS PART 10 OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK THEN NO IT WOULD NOT. WE 11 WOULD EXPECT JURISDICTIONS TO APPLY ALL AGES AND ABILITIES 12 GUIDANCE TO THAT FACILITY. 13 14 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: AND IF IT WASN'T PART OF THE ACTIVE 15 16 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK? 17 MATT MALONEY: THEN WHAT KARA WAS STATING IN HER PRESENTATION 18 WAS THAT IF IT WAS NOT PART OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION 19 NETWORK BUT IT WAS PART OF A LOCAL AND ADOPTED LOCAL PLAN THAT 20 21 WE WOULD EXPECT THAT THE PROJECT WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN LINE 22 WITH THAT PLAN. 23 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: OKAY. I MEAN -- I DON'T KNOW. I'M 24 NOT GOING TO BELABOR THE POINT. BUT I THINK THIS FEELS LIKE A



- 1 -- I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS POLICY IS MEANINGFUL AT THIS
- 2 POINT. AND, ESPECIALLY, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS SHOULD HAVE BEEN
- 3 EXPANDED. I KNOW IN SAN FRANCISCO, EVERY SINGLE COMPLETE
- 4 STREETS PROJECT BUMPS INTO A PROBLEM WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
- 5 BECAUSE THEIR VISION OF SAFE STREETS IS VERY CENTERED ON THE
- 6 ABILITY FOR THEM TO MOVE THEIR VEHICLES AROUND, VERY
- 7 IMPORTANT, OBVIOUSLY. BUT THERE ARE, YOU KNOW, BEING -- HAVING
- 8 TO SORT OF -- BE ABLE TO DRIVE ENORMOUS FIRE TRUCKS PAST EACH
- 9 OTHER WITH SORT OF TWO -- WITH PARKING ON EITHER SIDE OF THE
- 10 ROAD PREVENTS MANY ACTIVE -- MANY SORT OF TREATMENTS WHICH
- 11 WOULD MAKE THE ROAD SAFER FOR PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLISTS AND
- 12 VULNERABLE ROAD USERS, SO I THINK IN SAN FRANCISCO, WE COULD
- 13 JUSTIFY EVERY -- YOU KNOW, EVERY SINGLE PROJECT WOULD BE ABLE
- 14 TO BENEFIT FROM THIS FIRE EXEMPTION EVEN THOUGH ULTIMATELY A
- 15 LOT OF PROJECTS DO GET IMPLEMENTED. SO, I'M JUST REALLY
- 16 DISAPPOINTED. THAT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE HAVE SORT OF
- 17 MEANINGFUL BACK SLID ON THIS.
- 19 JAMES P. SPERING: BEFORE I GO TO AMY, COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ,
- 20 I YOU THINK YOU'RE SELLING LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WAY SHORT. THAT
- 21 SLIDE ON THE LEFT IS WHAT WE'RE ALL TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM.
- 22 AND I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THIS COMMISSION WOULD APPROVE A
- 23 PROJECT THAT WOULD REINFORCE THAT. IT'S A PROCESS. IT'S AN
- 24 APPLICATION THAT'S GOT TO BE APPROVED. WE'RE NOT GOING TO
- 25 APPROVE SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T PROVIDE MOST OF THE AAA. I



- 1 DON'T WANT TO GET INTO A DEBATE BUT I THINK A LOT OF LOCAL
- 2 JURISDICTIONS ARE TRYING TO BRING THESE COMPLETE STREETS
- 3 STRATEGIES TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.

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- 5 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I JUST HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH SAN
- 6 FRANCISCO. I HAVE NO EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER MAYBE BETTER
- 7 PERFORMING JURISDICTIONS ON THIS FRONT.

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- 9 JAMES P. SPERING: OKAY. WELL, I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S A GOOD
- 10 EXAMPLE TO USE. AMY?

- 12 AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU. I WANT TO SPEAK TO THIS. I THINK THIS
- 13 IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS THAT WE CAN DO IN TERMS
- 14 OF, ONE, PROVIDING POLICIES, BUT, TWO, IN TERMS OF DIRECTING
- 15 FUNDING. IN OUR COUNTY WE HAVE ADOPTED VISION 0, THE
- 16 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, AND NOW INDIVIDUAL CITIES ARE DOING
- 17 IT. WE'RE DOING OUR SAFE STREETS PROGRAM, AND THE CHALLENGE,
- 18 OF COURSE, FOR THE BAY AREA, AND ALL, REALLY, ALL ACROSS THE
- 19 COUNTRY IS RETROFITTING EXISTING STREETS AND ROADS, AND I
- 20 REALLY THINK THAT -- WHAT I VERY MUCH HOPE IS THAT WE WOULD BE
- 21 ABLE TO PUT SIGNIFICANT FUNDING INTO THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE
- 22 THERE ARE, OUT OF THE 101 CITIES AND NINE COUNTIES EVERYBODY
- 23 HAS GOT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS EITHER TO AND FROM
- 24 TRANSIT IN THEIR DOWNTOWN OR TO AND FROM SCHOOLS. IT IS SO
- 25 IMPORTANT. AND I UNDERSTAND, THE OTHER THING THAT WOULD BE



- 1 REALLY HELPFUL IF MTC CAN HELP JURISDICTIONS IN DEALING WITH
- 2 SOME OF THESE CONFLICTS THAT YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED BECAUSE
- 3 LOOKING AT THE FEDERAL GUIDELINES, THERE SEEMS TO BE
- 4 DIRECTIONS FOR BEING ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE DIFFERENT FEED ON
- 5 A STREET, AND, BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THE WORK WE'RE DOING WITH
- 6 THESE PROGRAMS IS SO IMPORTANT. AND, THANKS TO COMMISSIONER
- 7 JOSEFOWITZ, I HAVE ENTERED THE WORLD OF HAVING AN ELECTRIC
- 8 BICYCLE, FOR A GRANDMOTHER. AND I HAVE SEEN, ACROSS OUR
- 9 COUNTY, MORE AND MORE INDIVIDUALS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF ELECTRIC
- 10 BICYCLES. GETTING THEM FOR MOBILE, RECREATION, GETTING THEM
- 11 FROM HOME TO SCHOOL TO WORK. AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE
- 12 PUT THESE PROGRAMS IN PLACE. BECAUSE AS MORE AND MORE PEOPLE
- 13 START RIDING BIKES AND WALKING, THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THIS
- 14 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH THAT NOT ONLY INCLUDES INFRASTRUCTURE
- 15 INVESTMENT, BUT SAFETY EDUCATION SO THAT COMMUNITIES CAN BE
- 16 AWARE OF THE MULTI-MODAL ASPECT OF THEIR STREETS AND ROADS.
- 17 SO, THANK YOU FOR THIS POLICY. AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
- 18 THESE PROJECTS ACROSS THE REGION.

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20 JAMES P. SPERING: DOREEN AND THEN DAVID RABBIT.

- 22 DORENE M. GIACOPINI: THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO GET BACK TO
- 23 MY COMMENT, AND JUST SAY THAT I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND,
- 24 KARA, YOUR COMMENT. IT SOUNDED LIKE IT'S A TOUGH SITUATION AND
- 25 PEOPLE WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT EXITING VEHICLES INTO BIKE



- 1 LANES ARE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH IT. AND I WOULD LIKE
- 2 TO ASK FOR STATISTICS OF WHETHER THERE ARE PROBLEMS WITH THAT
- 3 SORT OF THING, BUT THE FACT IS THAT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IS
- 4 PEOPLE ARE JUST NOT GOING TO PARK IN THOSE PLACES. AND, SO,
- 5 YOU KNOW, JUST CHECKING TO SEE ABOUT ACCIDENTS AND THAT SORT
- 6 OF THING IS NOT GOING TO BE ENOUGH. BASICALLY, WE ARE HAVING A
- 7 CHILLING EFFECT ON PEOPLE WHO HAVE DISABILITIES GETTING TO THE
- 8 NEIGHBORHOODS THAT I WANT TO GET TO AND DO THINGS. SO, I WOULD
- 9 -- I JUST -- I THINK WE HAVE A PROBLEM HERE, AND I WOULD LIKE
- 10 SOME FOLLOW-UP ON WHAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO TO ANALYZE THE
- 11 SITUATION AND CORRECT IT.

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13 JAMES P. SPERING: OKAY. THANK YOU. DAVID?

- 15 DAVID RABBIT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WASN'T GOING TO OPINE BUT
- 16 I DON'T THINK THIS IS AT ALL ABOUT BACK SLIDING IT'S
- 17 ACKNOWLEDGING IN WHICH THE WORLD WE LIVE. AND I APPRECIATE
- 18 YOUR COMMENTS MR. SPERING REGARDING THE COUNTIES AND CITIES I
- 19 BELIEVE THE JURISDICTIONS ARE ALL IN ON COMMITTEE STREETS THAT
- 20 PICTURE SHOWN ON THE LEFT HAPPENING WAY TOO OFTEN AND WILL
- 21 CONTINUE TO HAPPEN UNTIL THERE IS ADEQUATE FUNDS TO ACTUALLY
- 22 MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IN MY COUNTY, I'LL GIVE YOU MY ROAD SPIEL
- 23 WE HAVE 1,368 MILES OF ROADS THAT WE ARE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE
- 24 FOR, FROM OKLAHOMA CITY TO OKLAHOMA THAT THE COUNTY HAS TO
- 25 TAKE CARE OF SONOMA COUNTY SPENDS MORE DISCRETIONARY MONEY



- 1 THAN ANY OTHER COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA BECAUSE OF THE DISPARITY
- 2 STILL AS WE MOVE FORWARD THERE IS STILL A DISPARITY IN THE GAS
- 3 TAX DISTRIBUTION. ON THE LEFT, THERE USUALLY ISN'T ENOUGH
- 4 RIGHT OF WAY, THERE USUALLY ISN'T ENOUGH PAVEMENT AND WHEN YOU
- 5 GO OUTSIDE OF THAT THERE IS PROBABLY A COST THAT'S GOING TO BE
- 6 EXPONENTIALLY MORE TO ACQUIRE THAT LAND AND MANY TIMES THERE
- 7 IS A DRAINAGE DITCH, THAT DITCH IS NOW A WATERWAY AND YOU ARE
- 8 MITIGATING FOR THAT LAND IF YOU DON'T OWN IT AS WELL. THE
- 9 COMBINATION OF EVERYTHING ABOVE MAKES IT DIFFICULT. THAT
- 10 DOESN'T MEAN WE DON'T MOVE FORWARD IN THAT WAY AND IN SONOMA
- 11 COUNTY WE ARE STILL A BICYCLING MECCA PEOPLE AREN'T RIDING
- 12 THEIR BICYCLE WITHIN THE FOG LINE THEY'RE RIDING IT ON THE
- 13 ROADWAYS AND WE TRYING TO GET COMPLETE STREETS TO WHERE THEY
- 14 CAN BE BUT THE REALITY FOR US IS THAT 1,368 MILES OF ROAD IS
- 15 AN AWFUL LOT OF PAVEMENT TO TAKE CARE OF, IN NEIGHBORING
- 16 COUNTIES, 2400, 3 TIMES AS MANY TIMES OF MILES OF ROADS. WE'RE
- 17 ALL FOR COMPLETE STREETS BUT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE IT'S GOING
- 18 TO WORK MOVING FORWARD AND THE SAN IN SAN FRANCISCO VERSUS
- 19 RURAL SONOMA COUNTY IS JUST REALLY NIGHT AND DAY.
- 21 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU, DAVID. I SEE NO OTHER HANDS, MR.
- 22 CHAIRMAN, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE RESOLUTION 4493 TO THE MTC
- 23 COMPLETE STREETS POLICY.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER 1 2 SPERING. I'LL LOOK FOR A SECOND? 3 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI SECONDS. 4 5 FEDERAL D. GLOVER: FEDERAL SECONDS. 6 7 8 JAMES P. SPERING: FEDERAL, SECOND. 9 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GLOVER. AND, 10 KIMBERLY, HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH 11 THIS ITEM? 12 13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. WE HAVE RECEIVED 14 NOTHING IN WRITING BUT I DO SEE SEVERAL RAISED HANDS FROM 15 16 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. I'LL GO AHEAD AND CALL ON THOSE. FIRST SPEAKER IS FROM SEAMLESS BAY AREA. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU 17 WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES. ARE YOU THERE, CALLER? 18 19 SPEAKER: GOOD -- HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME? 20 21 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. WE CAN HEAR YOU NOW. 23 SPEAKER: THIS IS ADINA LEVIN, WHO HAS ONCE AGAIN FORGOTTEN TO 24

DOUBLE LOG OUT OF ZOOM -- MEMBER OF THE POLICY ADVISORY



- 1 COUNCIL SPEAKING FOR MYSELF, WANTED TO SPEAK IN APPRECIATION
- 2 OF SOME OF THE CONCERNS THAT COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ RAISED.
- 3 HAVING REVIEWED THIS AT POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THEN
- 4 LOOKING MORE CLOSELY AT THE SET OF EXEMPTIONS, I HAVE SOME
- 5 SIMILAR CONCERNS, PARTICULARLY ABOUT THE FIRE AND LIFE SIGHT
- 6 OF AS A BLANKET EXEMPTION, AND DO SEE THAT THE ISSUES THAT
- 7 COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ RAISED IS NOT ONLY IN SAN FRANCISCO,
- 8 BUT IS IN MULTIPLE COMMUNITIES AND LIVING IN A SMALL CITY WITH
- 9 NUMEROUS NEIGHBORS, CITIES REALLY DIFFER AND AGENCIES DIFFER.
- 10 SOMETIMES THE CITY IS DIFFERENT FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM
- 11 HOW -- WHAT KINDS OF PRACTICES THEY HAVE IN BEING COMPATIBLE
- 12 OR LESS COMPATIBLE WITH COMPLETE STREETS. SO IN THE
- 13 IMPLEMENTATION PHASE, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE CONVENING AND
- 14 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BY MTC TO BE ABLE TO HAVE MORE EVEN
- 15 STANDARDS ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT THE ABILITY OF A FIRE AND
- 16 EMERGENCY VEHICLE TO GET TO THE SCENE IS NOT CONFLICTING OR
- 17 MINIMALLY CONFLICTING WITH THE ABILITY FOR PEOPLE TO TRAVEL ON
- 18 THOSE STREETS SAFELY. 99% OF THE TIME WHEN THERE IS NOT AN
- 19 EMERGENCY VEHICLE. SO, BECAUSE THAT IMPLEMENTATION PHASE IS
- 20 COMING UP, I HOPE TO SEE SOME ADDITIONAL PROGRESS IN THE
- 21 IMPLEMENTATION, BECAUSE STANDARDS IN THIS AREA ARE -- AND
- 22 TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING, AND, SO, HOPEFULLY MTC CAN UPLIFT THAT
- 23 IN GENERAL. THANK YOU.



CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS -- EXCUSE 1 2 ME -- THE NEXT SPEAKER IS FROM BIKE EAST BAY. I BELIEVE THAT 3 WILL BE DAVE CAMPBELL, PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES. 4 5 SPEAKER: DAVE CAMPBELL DIRECTOR OF BIKE EAST BAY. I WANT TO 6 THANK STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK ON THIS POLICY THERE IS MUCH 7 8 IN THERE THAT WE LIKE AND SUPPORT AND THAT WE LIKE AND SUPPORT IN CALTRANS NEW POLICY AS WELL. BUT, BOY, THERE IS SO MUCH 9 MORE WORK TO DO IN PART BECAUSE OF THE CONCERNS YOU ARE STILL 10 HEARING EXPRESSED HERE TODAY. I ECHO ADINA'S COMMENT ABOUT THE 11 FIRE DEPARTMENT IF THEY GET TO DESIGN OUR ROADWAY THIS POLICY 12 IS GOING TO BE PRETTY POINTLESS. THERE IS NOT A SAFE STREET 13 THAT HAS COME OUT OF THE CONVERSATION WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT 14 15 THAT I HAVE EXPERIENCED IN 20 YEARS OF BEING A WALKER AND 16 BIKER. NOT TRYING TO BE DISMISSIVE, THEY PLAY AN IMPORTANT 17 ROLE, BUT GIVING A BLANKET EXEMPTION IS A CONCERN. ALSO GOING BACK FROM GUIDELINES TO PRINCIPLES THAT IS A RED FLAG. I AM 18 GLAD IT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP. I HAVEN'T REALLY THOUGHT THROUGH 19 THAT CHANGE BUT TO HEAR WE DID THAT BECAUSE WE GOT INPUT FROM 20 21 CITIES THAT'S THE RED FLAG NOT THE SUBSTANCE OF IT. IF THE CITIES GET TO DECIDE HOW THESE COMPLETE STREETS POLICIES WORK 22 THAT'S A RED FLAG. THE REASON WE'RE DOING THIS POLICY IS 23 BECAUSE CITIES AREN'T DOING ENOUGH. AND, SO, THEY HAVE 24

SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED THE POLICY FROM COMMITTEE, THAT'S A RED



- 1 FLAG. WHAT WOULD A COMMISSION LIKE YOURS DO IF A RED FLAG
- 2 COMES UP? I DON'T KNOW. Y'ALL ARE SMARTER THAN I AM ABOUT HOW
- 3 TO HANDLE THAT. TO ME, SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE STRENGTHENED IN
- 4 THE POLICY OR THERE SHOULD BE STRONG FOLLOW-UP ON THE POLICY.
- 5 AND THE TWO THINGS I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS BETTER PEER REVIEW.
- 6 AMY WORTH DID A GOOD JOB OF THAT IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AND I
- 7 HAVE ASKED HER TO REVIEW THIS POLICY. REVIEW PROJECTS THAT
- 8 OTHER CITIES ARE PUTTING FORTH AND HAVE GOOD STRONG PEER
- 9 REVIEW THAT'S ONE WAY TO DEAL WITH SIDEWALKS OR SHOULDERS WHO
- 10 HAVE DEBRIS AND NO PLACE TO WALK. LET'S REVIEW THE PEER
- 11 PROJECTS.

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- 13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. YOU HAVE TWO
- 14 MINUTES.

- 16 SPEAKER: I AM A MEMBER OF THE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL BUT AM
- 17 SPEAKING IN MY PERSONAL CAPACITY. I LIVE IN RICHMOND. AND I
- 18 JUST WANT TO START WITH AN EXAMPLE. SO, WE WANT, YOU KNOW, WE
- 19 WERE TRYING TO GET FUNDING FOR A PARTICULAR STREET. NOW THAT
- 20 STREET HAS -- DOES A COUPLE OF BUS LINES. NOW, HERE IS THE
- 21 THING. ONE STREET NORTH, IS BIKE BOULEVARD TWO STREETS NORTH
- 22 OF IT IS A BUSY STREET, BUT IT DOES HAVE BIKE LANES. TWO
- 23 STREETS SOUTH OF IT IS THE RICHMOND GREENWAY. SO, WHAT I'M
- 24 SAYING IS, WHEN YOU ARE GOING FOR A CHECKLIST, YOU KNOW, I
- 25 THINK WE JUST NEED FLEXIBILITY. LIKE, DO WE NEED FOUR STREETS



- 1 WITH BIKE LANES IN A ROW? ARE -- CAN ONE OF THE THINGS JUST
- 2 BE, LIKE, IF WE NEED A PROPER BIKE BOULEVARD OR STREETS WITH
- 3 BIKE LANES WITHIN ONE OR TWO STREETS OF THIS PARTICULAR
- 4 STREET, THAT COULD BE ONE WAY TO INTRODUCE FLEXIBILITY. AND
- 5 THE OTHER THING I ALSO WANT TO SAY IS THAT CITIES LIKE OURS,
- 6 WHICH ARE LOW-INCOME CITIES, WHICH DON'T IS HAVE A LOT OF
- 7 BUSINESSES, THEY DON'T GET A LOT OF BENEFITS FROM THE BIKE
- 8 LANES, BECAUSE WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO GO ON THE BIKE? THERE
- 9 ARE NO SHOPS. THERE ARE NO BUSINESSES, AND SO THE BIKE LANES
- 10 TEND TO BE SEVERELY UNDERUSED. SO WE JUST DON'T GET MUCH OUT
- 11 OF THOSE BIKE LANES. AND THE THIRD THING, ALSO, IS THAT, YOU
- 12 KNOW, YEAH, THERE ARE ALL THESE BIKE LANES, BUT THERE ARE --
- 13 THERE IS NO SECURE BIKE PARKING. YOU KNOW? THERE ARE VERY FEW
- 14 BIKES PARKED AT THE -- [INDISCERNIBLE] THERE ARE HARDLY ANY
- 15 BIKES PARKED IN THE SHOPPING AREAS. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
- 16 I THINK WE NEED A BIKE POLICY BUT ONE THAT'S CAREFULLY THOUGHT
- 17 OUT AND MAKING SURE EVERYTHING IS BEING TAKEN CARE OF. SO I
- 18 HOPE PEOPLE WILL BE MORE FLEXIBLE. THANK YOU.
- 20 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS HOWARD WONG.
- 21 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES. MR. WONG, ARE
- 22 YOU THERE?
- 24 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT HOW TO UNMUTE. I'M
- 25 HOWARD WONG A MEMBER OF THE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL SPEAKING

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- 1 ON MY OWN. ABOUT 30 YEARS AGO, MAYOR ENRIQUE FROM COLUMBIA
- 2 CAME TO SAN FRANCISCO TO TALK ABOUT HIS INNOVATIVE PLANNING
- 3 DESIGN APPROACH TO HIS STREETS, COLUMBIA, IN, BOGOTA, WAS
- 4 UNDERDEVELOPED AT THAT TIME, WHEN WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF
- 5 THOUSANDS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WALKING ON THE DIRT ROAD
- 6 SHUFFLED TO THE SIDE OF CITY STREETS WITH NO SIDEWALKS, HE
- 7 SAID THIS IS NOT RIGHT. AND, SO THROUGH VERY SIMPLE INNOVATIVE
- 8 MEANS HE STARTED EMPHASIZING PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLES. AND IT
- 9 DIDN'T NECESSARILY COST A LOT OF MONEY. SO I THINK ONE HAS TO
- 10 LOOK AT PLACES IN THE WORLD WHERE, JUST PRIORITIES, AND HOW
- 11 YOU USE SPACE WITHOUT, ACTUALLY, SPENDING A LOT OF MONEY, BUT
- 12 MAYBE JUST PAINTED LINES IS A WAY TO CREATE A NETWORK OF
- 13 COMPLETE STREETS THAT LEAD TO COMPLETE SPACES, AND THEN HAVE
- 14 THIS NATURAL FLOW FOR BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL SUCCESS. SO,
- 15 FUNDING IS NOT REALLY THE ISSUE. IT'S REALLY IN THE CASE OF
- 16 BOGOTA COLUMBIA AND OTHER CITIES IT'S ACTUALLY ABOUT
- 17 LEADERSHIP, LEADERSHIP AT THE MAYORAL LEVEL, LEADERSHIP AT THE
- 18 COUNCIL LEVEL, AND TAKE A LOOK AT PARIS. PARIS IS TRYING TO DO
- 19 A COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF ITS ENTIRE STREET SYSTEM. AND I THINK
- 20 THERE ARE A LOT OF GOOD MODELS TO LOOK AT. THANK YOU.
- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS WARREN
- 23 WELLS. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES.

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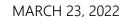
1	SPEAKER: THANK YOU MY NAME IS WARREN WELLS POLICY AND PLANNING
2	DIRECTOR FOR THE MARIN COUNTY BICYCLE COALITION I WOULD LIKE
3	TO ECHO COMMENTS MADE BY DAVE AND ADINA EARLIER ESPECIALLY
4	WITH RESPECT TO GIVING BLANKET EXEMPTIONS TO FIRE CONCERNS. I
5	THINK IT'S THE WORK OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS ACROSS OUR REGION IS
6	IMPORTANT IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT DUE TO THE LARGE
7	VEHICLES THAT THEY OWN AND OPERATE FREQUENTLY, THEIR INPUT ON
8	ROADWAY PROJECTS INCLUDES WIDE STREETS, LARGE CURB RADII, AND
9	LOW TO NO TRAFFIC INCOMING RESULTS IN MORE ROADWAY EMERGENCIES
10	AND INJURIES THAT THEY END UP HAVING TO DEAL W SO I WOULD
11	ENCOURAGE SOME THOUGHT AROUND THAT AND SECOND NOTE TO
12	ENCOURAGE SOMETHING DAVE SAID, I THINK THAT THIS BODY HAS A
13	ROLE IN PROVIDING LEADERSHIP AT A MACRO LEVEL. WE HAVE SEEN
14	THAT MANY OF THE CITIES IN THE BAY AREA HAVE NOT DONE WHAT
15	THEY CAN TO SUPPORT WALKING AND BIKING. AND AS SUCH OUR ACTIVE
16	[INDISCERNIBLE] IS LOW AND WE HAVE REGIONAL GOALS ABOUT
17	CHANGING THAT, AND AT A CERTAIN POINT IT WILL TAKE MORE
18	LEADERSHIP AT A REGIONAL LEVEL TO PUSH OUR LOCAL PARTNERS IN
19	THAT DIRECTION, IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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FOR YOUR TIME.

- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS RICH
- 23 HEDGES. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES.





- 1 RICHARD HEDGES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. VERY INTERESTED IN
- 2 TODAY'S DISCUSSION. MUCH OF OUR PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE DEALING
- 3 WITH NOW ARE PAST ERRORS. AND WHAT JURISDICTIONS HAVE ALLOWED
- 4 TO HAPPEN SINCE THE SUBURBANIZATION OF OUR COUNTRY, WITH
- 5 NARROW STREETS TO ALLOW MORE HOUSING, CUL-DE-SACS, AND OFTEN
- 6 NO SIDEWALKS OR SIDEWALKS ON ONE SIDE OF THE STREET. SO MUCH
- 7 OF THAT WE'RE TRYING TO CORRECT NOW. EDUCATION ENFORCEMENT ARE
- 8 VERY IMPORTANT ALONG THESE LINES. FIRST OF ALL, IN DOING
- 9 TRAFFIC COMING INTO THE CITY THAT I'M IN WILL USUALLY NOT
- 10 ALLOW THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS TO GET INVOLVED EXCEPT ON
- 11 ARTERIALS. SO, THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF TRAFFIC COMING
- 12 INTO THE NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT AS FAR AS EDUCATION, I AM
- 13 CONSTANTLY DRIVEN TO THE STREET FROM THE SIDEWALK BY PEOPLE ON
- 14 BICYCLES. AND THEY'RE USUALLY NOT EVERY DAY BICYCLISTS.
- 15 THEY'RE USUALLY PEOPLE THAT ARE OCCASIONALLY BICYCLING AND
- 16 USUALLY WITH FAMILIES. AND THEY ALWAYS USE SIDEWALKS EVEN IN
- 17 MY NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE THERE ARE WIDE BIKE LANES NOT DIVIDED
- 18 FROM TRAFFIC. AND ENFORCEMENT, THERE ARE LARGE TRUCKS PARKED
- 19 IN DRIVEWAYS THAT ARE PORING PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIRS TO TRY TO
- 20 GET INTO THE STREET TO GET AROUND THEM SAME WITH MOTHERS WITH
- 21 CHILDREN AND THERE ARE PEOPLE LIKE ME WHO CAN ACTUALLY WALK
- 22 AROUND THEM AND NOT HAVE TO GO TOO FAR INTO THE STREETS WE'RE
- 23 OVERLOOKING SOME THINGS THAT WE COULD BE DEALING WITH, AND
- 24 EDUCATION, ESPECIALLY ENFORCEMENT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE BLOCKING
- 25 WHAT'S ALREADY THERE, FOR US TO HAVE SAFE TRAVEL BETWEEN WHERE



- 1 WE'RE GOING NOW AND WHERE WE'RE GOING ON BICYCLES OR AS
- 2 PEDESTRIAN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING TO ME.

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- 4 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. AND THE LAST SPEAKER FROM THE
- 5 PUBLIC COMMENT WOULD BE RANDI KINMAN. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE
- 6 YOURSELF.

- 8 RANDI KINMAN: THANK YOU, RANDI KINMAN, FROM THE POLICY
- 9 ADVISORY COUNCIL. I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONERS JOSEFOWITZ AND
- 10 GIOCAPINI FOR BRINGING UP SOME ISSUES, AND, ESPECIALLY, MR.
- 11 JOSEFOWITZ, FOR BRINGING UP THAT PICTURE WHICH I WOULD LABEL
- 12 AS NO AGES AND NO ABILITIES. IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT -- I
- 13 UNDERSTAND WE'RE TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM THOSE, BUT I JUST
- 14 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO GET AWAY FROM THOSE. ONE OF THE
- 15 THINGS THAT I HAVE TO STRESS IS THAT WITHOUT GUIDELINES,
- 16 WITHOUT RULES, WE'RE KIND OF OPERATING ON WHAT I CALL THE PIE
- 17 RAT'S CODE. IT'S A PRINCIPLE. IT'S AN IDEA. IT'S A THOUGHT.
- 18 BUT IT'S NOT A GUIDELINE. SO, THERE IS NOTHING TO KEEP PEOPLE
- 19 IN, IN AN ORDERLY FASHION TO REQUIRE THEM TO CREATE AN ORDERLY
- 20 PHYSICIAN SOMETHING THAT LOOKS THE SAME FROM POINT A TO POINT
- 21 B. IN SANTA CLARA VALLEY IS, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ROADS THAT
- 22 CROSS JURISDICTIONS AND THAT'S SAME WITH EVERY COUNTY SO THAT
- 23 MEANS FROM ONE JURISDICTION TO THE OTHER, THE THROUGHPUT FOR
- 24 BIKES IS PEDESTRIAN LOOKS INCREDIBLY DIFFERENT. AND I AM
- 25 ESPECIALLY OPPOSED TO ON THE BLANKET FIRE EXCEPTION. BECAUSE



- 1 THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS TRIED TO BE USED ON MY LOCAL
- 2 PROJECT. AND I LIFE A QUARTER OF A MILE FROM A HOSPITAL, FROM
- 3 THE COUNTY HELPFUL, AND I LIVE A BLOCK FROM THE FIRE STATION.
- 4 I CAN TELL THAT YOU WHAT THEY REQUESTED WAS NOT GRANTED AND
- 5 THAT WE HAVE HAD NO IMPEDIMENT EITHER FIRE OR EMERGENCY
- 6 VEHICLES WITH THE TRAFFIC CALMING THAT WE ENSUED AND WITH OUR
- 7 SEPARATED BIKE LANES. THANK YOU.

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- 9 CLERK OF THE BOARD: I SEE NO ADDITIONAL RAISED HANDS FROM
- 10 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, MR. CHAIR.

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- 12 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
- 13 COMMISSIONERS AND PUBLIC. COMMISSIONER SPERING, WE HAVE, I
- 14 THINK, A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION FROM VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?

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16 JAMES P. SPERING: GO AHEAD COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ.

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- 18 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I WANT TO ASK STAFF, THESE --
- 19 BECAUSE I MAY HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD THE SEQUENCE, WE DIDN'T GO
- 20 BACK -- WHEN WE HEARD THIS IN COMMITTEE, WE HEARD IT ONCE IN
- 21 COMMITTEE IN DECEMBER AND THEN THESE CHANGES WERE INCORPORATED
- 22 AND THEN IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE FULL COMMISSION, IT DIDN'T GO
- 23 BACK COMMITTEE. IS THAT RIGHT?

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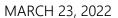
25 JAMES P. SPERING: THAT'S CORRECT.



1 2 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I HAVE DEEP ENOUGH CONCERNS, WHICH 3 I HAVE EXPRESSED ABOUT HOW, GIVEN MY EXPERIENCE WORKING ON THESE ISSUE IN SAN FRANCISCO, AND I HAVE NO, YOU KNOW, I HAVE 4 5 NEVER WORKED ON THESE ISSUES IN SONOMA OR SOLANO OR ANYWHERE ELSE IS THIS POLICY MIGHT WORK WELL IN THOSE COMMUNITIES, IT 6 DOESN'T WORK, GIVEN THE CHANGES IN SAN FRANCISCO, WE WOULD 7 8 EXEMPT OUR WAY OUT OF EVERY SINGLE REQUIREMENT. WE WOULD KIND OF CHECK THE BOX THAT WE'RE MAKING BEST EFFORTS AND NOT 9 ACTUALLY DO ANYTHING DIFFERENT. AND, SO, I WOULD LIKE TO -- IF 10 THIS DOESN'T GO BACK TO COMMITTEE TO KIND OF TRY AND ADDRESS 11 THOSE CONCERNS I'M GOING TO HAVE TO VOTE NO. OF COURSE, AND IF 12 I AM THE ONLY PERSON, THEN THAT'S WHAT IT IS. 13 14 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, VICE CHAIR, JOSEFOWITZ. I 15 16 DON'T SEE ANY OTHER COMMENTS. WE DID HAVE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR BY COMMISSIONER SPERING, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GLOVER. 17 I'LL GO BACK TO THE MAKERS OF THE MOTION, COMMISSIONER 18 SPERING. ANY CHANGES? 19 20 JAMES P. SPERING: I THINK WE SHOULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THE 21 ISSUES BEING RAISED WE COULD ADDRESS THOSE AS WE GO ALONG BUT 22 IT'S IMPORTANT TO PUT THIS POLICY IN PLACE. I DON'T WANT TO 23 MODIFY THE MOTION. I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT THERE NEEDS TO 24



1	BE MORE DISCUSSION. THAT CAN STILL HAPPEN. WE'RE NOT
2	PRECLUDING THAT.
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4	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. COMMISSIONER GLOVER, YOUR
5	SECOND STANCE? I'M ASSUMING? SO, I SEE COMMISSIONER GLOVER MAY
6	BE MULTI-TASKING HERE. BUT WE HAVE A FIRST BY COMMISSIONER
7	SPERING. SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GLOVER. SEEING NO OTHER
8	DISCUSSION. LET'S PROCEED WITH A ROLL CALL VOTE.
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10	EDDIE AHN: COMMISSIONER OR CHAIR PEDROZA, JUST A COMMENT. I
11	APPRECIATE COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ'S CONCERNS RAISED TODAY. I
12	WILL BE VOTING FOR THIS. BUT I WOULD HOPE THAT AS CHAIR
13	SPERING HAS SAID WE'RE NOT PRECLUDING FUTURE DISCUSSION.
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15	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: UNDERSTOOD AND ACKNOWLEDGED
16	COMMISSIONER AHN. WE HAVE A FIRST BY COMMISSIONER SPERING,
17	SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GLOVER. KIMBERLY LET'S PROCEED WITH THE
18	ROLL CALL VOTE.
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SURE. CHAIR PEDROZA?
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22	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?





1	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: NO.
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3	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?
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5	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.
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7	CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?
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9	EDDIE AHN: AYE.
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11	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?
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13	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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15	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ? IS ABSENT.
16	COMMISSIONER CONNOLY?
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18	DAMON CONNOLLY: AYE.
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?
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22	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: FLEMING?
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1	VICTORIA FLEMING: YES.
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3	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER GLOVER?
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5	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: AYE.
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7	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? IS ABSENT.
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9	SAM LICCARDO: AYE.
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11	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE WE GO. COMMISSIONER IS AN AYE.
12	COMMISSIONER MILEY?
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14	NATHAN MILEY: AYE.
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER PAPAN?
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18	GINA PAPAN: AYE.
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RABBIT?
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22	DAVID RABBIT: AYE.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RONEN? IS ABSENT.
25	COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?



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2	LIBBY SCHAFF: I WILL CONTINUE, ALSO, TO LISTEN TO THE CONCERNS
3	THAT COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ RAISED, BUT FOR NOW, I AM VOTING
4	AYE.
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER SPERING?
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8	JAMES P. SPERING: AYE.
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10	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER WORTH?
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12	AMY R. WORTH: AYE.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL
15	MEMBERS PRESENT OR, PARDON ME. THE MOTION PASSES WITH 14
16	AYES, ONE NAY, AND TWO ABSENT.
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18	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
19	COMMISSIONERS. APPRECIATE THE DIALOGUE AND THANK YOU TO KARA
20	FOR THAT PRESENTATION, AND, MATT, FOR JUMPING IN AS WELL. ALL
21	RIGHT. LET'S MOVE TO ITEM 14 ON OUR AGENDA THIS IS JOINT MTC
22	LEGISLATION COMMITTEE AND ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE.
23	COMMISSIONER LICCARDO, TAKE IT AWAY.



- 1 SAM LICCARDO: THANK YOU. ITEM 14A IS SENATE BILL 1050 FROM
- 2 SENATOR DODD AUTHORIZATION OF TOLLING ON STATE ROUTE 37 WITH
- 3 INTERIM AND ULTIMATE PROJECT. THIS ESTABLISHES A STATE ROUTE
- 4 37 TOLLING AUTHORITY TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE BAY AREA
- 5 INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY. THE COMMITTEE AND THE
- 6 STAFF RECOMMEND A SUPPORT POSITION.
- 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER LICCARDO.
- 9 COMMISSIONER LICCARDO HAS MOVED THE ITEM. I'LL LOOK FOR A
- 10 SECOND.

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- 12 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI SECONDS.
- 14 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI.
- 15 KIMBERLY HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH
- 16 THIS ITEM?
- 18 CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING. DO I
- 19 SEE ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ALETA
- 20 DUPREE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE
- 21 TWO MINUTES.
- 23 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, CHAIR ALFREDO PEDROZA. ALETA DUPREE FOR
- 24 THE RECORD, SHE AND HER. I WANT SUPPORTIVE OF THIS. I WAS
- 25 READING THROUGH IT AND WONDER IF WE MISSED SOMETHING I'M



- 1 SEEING PROVISIONS FOR TOLLING WHEN IT COMES TO TWO AXLE
- 2 VEHICLES. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE VEHICLES WITH MORE AXLES THAN
- 3 THAT, SUCH AS TRUCKS AND BUSES? OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE TO HAVE A
- 4 TOLLING SCHEDULE FOR THOSE TOO. I WOULD PRESUME THAT LARGE
- 5 VEHICLES CAN OPERATE ON THIS BRIDGE. I HAVE NEVER BEEN ON
- 6 MYSELF. I AM SUPPORTIVE OF THIS, BUT I HOPE THE ELEMENTS
- 7 AREN'T MISSING WHAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE THE CROSSING.
- 8 THANK YOU.

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10 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. RICH HEDGES.

- 12 RICHARD HEDGES: I'LL BE BRIEF. THIS IS REALLY BADLY NEEDED. WE
- 13 NEED SEED MONEY FOR FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS, AND I WAS HAPPY
- 14 TO SEE THAT THERE IS A STRONG EQUITY POSITION IN THIS. SO I'M
- 15 VERY SUPPORTIVE. THANK YOU.
- 17 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. I SEE NO ADDITIONAL RAISED
- 18 HANDS, MR. CHAIR.
- 20 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. I'LL BRING IT BACK TO THE
- 21 COMMISSION. COMMISSIONERS ANY QUESTIONS? AND I'M GOING ASK
- 22 STAFF TO REINFORCE THE QUESTION OF TOLLING THAT WAS ASKED.
- 23 COMMISSIONER AHN?



EDDIE AHN: A OUESTION IS THERE ANY INVESTIGATION INTO THE 1 EXPANSION OF THE LOW-INCOME DISCOUNT ON THIS BILL? 2 3 REBECCA LONG: THROUGH THE CHAIR? 4 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GO AHEAD, REBECCA. 6 7 8 REBECCA LONG: REBECCA LONG, MTC ABAG STAFF. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER AHN. YEAH, AS WRITTEN RIGHT NOW THE BILL REQUIRES 9 A LOW-INCOME DISCOUNT BUT PROVIDES SOME FLEXIBILITY OF THE 10 RATE SO IT'S BETWEEN 25% TO 50%. I THINK THAT THERE IS A 11 BALANCING ACT, RIGHT, OF HAVING A COMMITMENT TO THE DISCOUNT 12 OF WANTING TO HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF FLEXIBILITY TO DETERMINE 13 EXACTLY WHAT THE AMOUNT SHOULD BE. OBVIOUSLY, YOU KNOW, THE 14 GREATER THE DISCOUNT, THE LESS REVENUE THIS'S GENERATED. SO I 15 16 THINK THERE IS A QUESTION WHETHER THAT SHOULD BE SPECIFIED IN THE STATUTE VERSUS LEFT TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE TOLL 17 AUTHORITY. BUT, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT MAY COME UP IN THE 18 DISCUSSIONS IN SACRAMENTO, AND, SO, WE MAY SEE COMMITMENT MADE 19 IN THE STATUTE TO THAT HIGHER PERCENTAGE. 20 21 22 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU REBECCA. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS 23 FROM COMMISSIONERS? I THINK THERE IS SOME OUESTION TO WHO THE

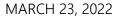
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TOLLING IS APPLICABLE TO.



1	REBECCA LONG: THAT ALARMS ME A LITTLE BIT. SO I DID DOUBLE
2	CHECK THE STATUTE, OR THE BILL, RATHER, AND THE INTENT HERE,
3	IT STATES THAT THE AMOUNT OF THE TOLL WOULD NOT BE HIGHER THAN
4	THE TWO AXLE RATE FOR THE BAY AREA BRIDGES BECAUSE WE DO HAVE
5	THE AXLE BASED WHOLE SYSTEM WITHIN THE BAY AREA AND IT IS
6	APPLY FLAT PER VEHICLE BUT COMMERCIAL VEHICLES WITH MULTIPLE
7	AXLES WOULD ALSO PAY.
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9	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: MOTION AND SECOND. LET'S PROCEED WITH
10	THE ROLL CALL VOTE.
11	
12	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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14	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.
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18	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
19	
20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: ABE-KOGA?
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22	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?





EDDIE AHN: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA? DAVID CANEPA: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAVEZ? CINDY CHAVEZ: YES. CLERK OF THE BOARD: CONNOLY? DAMON CONNOLLY: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE COMMISSIONER FLEMING? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER GLOVER? FEDERAL D. GLOVER: AYE. CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? SAM LICCARDO: AYE.



1	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER MILEY?
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3	NATHAN MILEY: AYE.
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5	CLERK OF THE BOARD: PAPAN?
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7	GINA PAPAN: AYE.
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9	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RABBIT?
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11	DAVID RABBIT: AYE.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?
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15	LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER SPERING?
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19	JAMES P. SPERING: AYE.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER WORTH?
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23	AMY R. WORTH: AYE .
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CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL 1 2 MEMBERS PRESENT. 3 SAM LICCARDO: THANK YOU. MR. CHAIR SHOULD I PROCEED TO ITEM 4 5 14B. 6 7 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GO AHEAD, PLEASE. 8 SAM LICCARDO: ITEM 917, SENATOR BECKER. SEAMLESS TRANSIT 9 TRANSFORMATION ACT. THIS IS AN ONGOING EFFORT WE HAVE HAD FOR 10 SEVERAL YEARS THIS BILL REQUIRING TRANSIT AGENCIES TO MEET 11 VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO INTEGRATION OF AFFAIRS, 12 MAPPING, WAYFINDING AND DATA FOR REALTIME TRANSIT INFORMATION. 13 STAFF RECOMMENDED AND THE COMMITTEE SUPPORTED WITH SOME 14 15 CHANGES A SUPPORT IF AMENDED POSITION THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION. 16 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A MOTION BY 17 COMMISSIONER LICCARDO. I'LL LOOK FOR A SECOND. 18 19 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI WILL SECOND. 20 21 22 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. TWO FOR TWO. COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI SECOND. AND I'LL ACKNOWLEDGE THE CONVERSATIONS 23 WE HAD WITH SENATOR BECKER THAT TRANSIT OPERATORS, AS WELL ARE 24

IN VERY GOOD SPIRIT TRYING TO FIND POSITIONS WHERE WE CAN WORK



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1	TOGETHER TO ADVANCE THOSE CORE PRINCIPLES. SO JUST WANT TO
2	ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FOR ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS. AT THIS POINT LET
3	SEE IF THERE ARE ANY COMMISSIONER COMMENTS. COMMISSIONER
4	CHAVEZ?
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6	CINDY CHAVEZ: THANK YOU. I KNOW THAT THESE ARE ALL MOVING
7	TARGETS. SO, LET ME JUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. AND I HOPE THAT
8	WHILE WE'RE WORKING WITH SENATOR BECKER THAT WE REALLY
9	EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR STATE FUNDING SOURCES FOR AGENCIES
10	GIVEN HOW UNCERTAIN EVERYTHING IS SO GIVEN EVERYONE WHO WONS
11	TO MAKE A CHANGE TO WHAT WE'RE DOING AND HOW WE'RE DOING I
12	WANT THEM TO HELP US MISUNDERSTAND THE CHANGE I HOPE THAT'S
13	PART OF THE DISCUSSION AND I AM SURE IT IS.
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15	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I WANT TO REINFORCE COMMISSIONER
16	CHAVEZ WE HAVE PULLED THAT UP AS PART OF THE DISCUSSION
17	BECAUSE IT'S SO APPROPRIATE RECOGNIZING THE FISCAL REALITIES
18	OF SOME OF OUR OPERATORS AND IT'S GREAT TO HAVE A VISION BUT
19	IT'S ACHIEVING THE RESOURCES TO MEET THE VISION. REASSURED
20	THAT LEADERSHIP AND MTC STAFF IS BRINGING THAT UP IN ALL
21	RESOURCES ARE.

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CINDY CHAVEZ: JUST MAKING SURE.



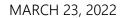
1	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR
2	COMMENTS. WE HAD ROBUST DISCUSSION AT COMMITTEE. SEEING NONE.
3	KIMBERLY HAVE WE RECEIVED PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS
4	ITEM.
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES, MR. CHAIR. WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS
7	OF CORRESPOND FROM BETSY MAKIS, DR. ANDREA HORTENSKI, AND
8	SHANNON ROSE MCENTEE ALL POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ARE
9	E-MAILED TO EACH OF THE COMMISSIONERS. I SEE NO OTHER MEMBERS
10	OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.
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12	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT BRINGING IT BACK TO THE
13	COMMITTEE. WE HAD COMMISSIONER LICCARDO WAS A FIRST, SECONDED
14	BY COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI. SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.
15	LET'S PROCEED WITH A ROLL CALL VOTE.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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19	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?
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23	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?



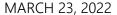


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2	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: YES.
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4	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER AHN?
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6	EDDIE AHN: YES.
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?
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10	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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12	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAVEZ?
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14	CINDY CHAVEZ: YES.
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CONNOLY? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER DUTRA-
17	VERNACI?
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19	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER FLEMING?
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23	VICTORIA FLEMING: YES.
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25	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER GLOVER?





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2	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.
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4	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?
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6	SAM LICCARDO: YES.
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER MILEY?
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10	FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.
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12	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER PAPAN?
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14	GINA PAPAN: YES.
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT?
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20	CLERK OF THE BOARD: RONEN IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?
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22	LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE.
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24	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER SPERING?
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1 JAMES P. SPERING: AYE.

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3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER WORTH?

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5 AMY R. WORTH: AYE.

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- 7 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY
- 8 BY ALL MEMBERS.

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- 10 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU THANKS COMMISSIONERS. LET'S
- 11 PROCEED TO 14C.

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- 13 SAM LICCARDO: 14C INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT STRATEGY WHICH HAS BEEN
- 14 VERY RECENTLY UPDATED THE MOST RECENT HAND OUT I THINK WAS PUT
- 15 ONLINE THIS MORNING. I WANT TO MAKE SURE I CALL MY COLLEAGUES
- 16 ATTENTION TO THAT, THAT'S THE 14C HAND OUT THAT APPEAR IN THE
- 17 SECOND LINKS THERE. ON THE AGENDA, I RECOMMEND A SUPPORT
- 18 POSITION. OR MY MOTION IS FOR A SUPPORT POSITION, RATHER.

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20 LIBBY SCHAFF: I'LL SECOND. SCHAFF.

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22 THERESE MCMILLAN: MR. CHAIR, YOU ARE MUTED.

- 24 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THERESE. FIRST
- 25 COMMISSIONER LICCARDO SECOND COMMISSIONER SCHAFF. I ANTICIPATE

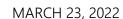


COMMENTS? COMMISSIONER, I BELIEVE WE'RE GOING TO GET A 1 2 PRESENTATION FROM STAFF ON THIS? 3 SAM LICCARDO: YES. I'M SORRY. FORGIVE ME. 4 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET'S PROCEED TO THE PRESENTATION FROM 6 7 STAFF AND THEN WE'LL GO COMMISSIONER COMMENTS. 8 THERESE MCMILLAN: I'LL KICK IT OFF. SO, THANK YOU. AND, AGAIN, 9 I WANTED TO ECHO AND APOLOGIZE FOR THE LATE AVAILABILITY OF 10 THE REVISED BIL STRATEGY LIST AND WE WILL HAVE THE CAPACITY TO 11 BRING IT UP IN A BIT AND THAT WILL HELP WITH REVIEW OF THE 12 CHANGES. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO, I'M NOT GOING TO COMPLETELY 13 REPEAT THE TABLE SETTING THAT I HAD DONE AT COMMITTEE, BUT I 14 15 DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSCORE FOR THE ENTIRE 16 COMMISSION WHY WE'RE TAKING THIS EXERCISE OF SETTING REGIONAL PRIORITIES FOR THE DISCRETIONARY BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW 17 PROGRAMS. THE BOTTOM LINE IS COMPETITION IS GOING TO BE FIERCE 18 IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND THE BAY AREA IS, WE BELIEVE, GOING TO 19 BE STRONGER IF WE CAN HAVE A UNITED POSITION. I HAVE SEEN 20 FIRST HAND WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE AT THE GRANT DECISION-MAKING 21 22 TABLE WHEN I WAS WITH THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION, AND IN A COMPETITIVE PROGRAM, IF YOU COME IN ASKING FOR 15 NUMBER ONE 23

PRIORITIES, YOU ARE BASICALLY PRESENTING NO PRIORITIES. AND,

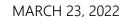
LET ALONE, THE COMPETITION AMONGST OURSELVES WITHIN THE

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- 1 REGION. WE'RE GOING TO BE TAKING ON LA, CHICAGO, NEW YORK, THE
- 2 JURISDICTIONS OF EVERY SENIOR MEMBER OF THE TRANSPORTATION
- 3 RELATED AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION COMMITTEES NOT TO MENTION
- 4 HOUSE AND SENATE LEADERSHIP. IT'S A TOUGH ENVIRONMENT OUT
- 5 THERE AND OUR GOAL WAS TO AIM TO ARM OUR CONGRESSIONAL
- 6 DELEGATION WITH A TARGETED LIST AND A FOCUSED AND UNIFIED
- 7 VOICE. I AM VERY CONFIDENT WE CAN DO THIS. IN A VERY RECENT
- 8 EXAMPLE IS WHEN COVID HIT BACK IN MARCH OF 2020, TRANSIT
- 9 WASN'T EVEN ON THE TABLE IN TERMS, INITIALLY, OF GETTING MAJOR
- 10 SUPPORT. AND THIS REGION, PAIRING WITH FELLOW REGIONS ACROSS
- 11 THE COUNTRY, DEMANDED AND GOT \$70 BILLION OF COVID ASSISTANCE
- 12 THAT WAS THERE. BUT IT WAS THAT TARGETED, FOCUSED APPROACH
- 13 THAT WAS REALLY EFFECTIVE GIVEN THE [INDISCERNIBLE] THAT WERE
- 14 HAPPENING AT THE TIME AND THAT WE WANT TO RECREATE FOR
- 15 PURPOSES OF THE ITEM BROUGHT TO YOU TODAY. AND AS A REMINDER,
- 16 IN DEVELOPING THIS BILL STRATEGY STAFF FOCUSED ON THE SUBSET
- 17 OF PROGRAMS THAT WERE THE LARGEST ONES AND MOST SUITABLE
- 18 ADDRESSING MAJOR REGIONAL PRIORITIES THAT CAN COMPETE ON A
- 19 NATIONAL STAGE SO THAT WAS WHAT WE BUILD FOR THE
- 20 RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE YOU. IMPORTANTLY THIS APPROACH LEAVES
- 21 19 DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS OFFERING OVER \$25 BILLION IN FUNDING
- 22 OPEN -- IN FUNDING THAT'S OPEN FOR LOCAL PRIORITIES IN
- 23 PROGRAMS THAT THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED
- 24 TO BE OF A MORE COMMUNITY ORIENTATION. SO, WE HAVE THIS BIG
- 25 FOCUSED BIG PROGRAM LIST WITH A SET OF TARGETED REGIONAL





- 1 PRIORITIES, ACKNOWLEDGING THERE IS A PARALLEL SET OF VERY
- 2 IMPORTANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES WITH A MORE LOCAL FOCUS THAT
- 3 WE WOULD NOT BE INSERTING OURSELVES AS MTC IF THAT PRIORITY
- 4 [INDISCERNIBLE]. THIS IS A LIVING DOCUMENT YOU WILL SEE THAT
- 5 WE HAVE EMPHASIZED IN THE DOCUMENT ITSELF THAT BY ADDING A
- 6 HEADER AT THE TOP OF BOTH PAGES THAT INDICATE THAT WE
- 7 ANTICIPATE PERIODICALLY REVISITING THE LIST AS FEDERAL GRANT
- 8 GUIDELINES ARE REFINED AND AS PROJECT FUNDING PLANS EVOLVE,
- 9 WHICH WOULD INCLUDE RESULTS FROM CURRENT AND FUTURE STATE AND
- 10 FEDERAL GRANT DECISIONS THAT ARE HAPPENING SORT OF ALONGSIDE
- 11 THIS EFFORT. SO, THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. BECAUSE WE WANT TO
- 12 ACKNOWLEDGE THERE IS MANY INTERSECTING FUNDING STRATEGIES THAT
- 13 ARE HAPPENING, AND WILL BE UNDER DISCUSSION WITH THE
- 14 COMMISSION OVER THE COMING MONTHS. FEDERAL GRANTS ARE ONE OF
- 15 MANY POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND SOURCES TO BRING
- 16 THESE PROJECTS, QUOTE, "OVER THE LINE." AND WE NEED TO FIGURE
- 17 OUT WHAT THOSE OVERALL PACKAGES ARE GOING TO LOOK LIKE, AND
- 18 THE MAJOR PROJECT ADVANCEMENT POLICY, WHAT WE INTRODUCE AT THE
- 19 COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND WE'LL BE BRINGING FORWARD TO THE
- 20 COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION THIS SUMMER, WE CALL IT THE "MAP"
- 21 IS GOING TO BE A FORUM FOR WHICH WE WILL BE PIECING TOGETHER
- 22 THESE FUNDING PUZZLES FOR A WHOLE ARRAY OF MAJOR PROJECTS.
- 23 THIS IS GOING TO BE A BIG EFFORT ON THE COMMISSION'S PART. AND
- 24 AS I MENTIONED LAST -- YOU KNOW, JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO,
- 25 IT WOULD BE IDEAL IF WE HAD DONE THAT EXERCISE FIRST. BUT



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TIMING BEING SUCH AS IT IS, WASHINGTON IS MOVING ON A

DIFFERENT TIMELINE SO WE'RE HAVING TO THINK ABOUT DOING A LOT 2 3 OF THESE STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS FOR PROJECTS IN PARALLEL. BUT TO EMPHASIZE, AGAIN, WE SEE THE BIL LIST THAT WE'RE GOING 4 5 TO DESCRIBE NOW AS A LIVING DOCUMENT THAT CAN BE UPDATED ONCE THE MAP IS COMPLETED OR OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION COMES TO 6 BEAR. AND, THEN, FINALLY, I JUST WANT TO THANK OUR PARTNERS 7 8 FOR THE ROBUST CONTRIBUTION AND INPUT IN ENGAGEMENT. THIS ITEM HAD TO MOVE ON AN INCREDIBLY TIGHT TIMELINE. SO, A HUGE THANKS 9 TO YOUR COUNTY'S TRANSIT AGENCIES, CITIES, AND OTHERS WHO 10 DEDICATED MANY HOURS, LAST MINUTE MEETINGS, PHONE CALLS, E-11 MAILS, ET CETERA, TO HELP US BRING TOGETHER THE RECOMMENDATION 12 WE HAVE BEFORE YOU. SO, WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO TURN IT 13 OVER TO GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN, WHO WILL WALK, SPECIFICALLY, 14

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19 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. GEORGIA GANN

ROBUST DISCUSSION FOLLOWING THAT. OKAY. SO, GEORGIA?

- 20 DOHRMANN, MTC ABAG STAFF. CAN SOMEONE BRING UP THE PROJECT
- 21 LIST, PLEASE? COULD WE BRING UP THE MOST RECENT HAND OUT THAT

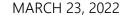
THROUGH CHANGES WE HAVE MADE SINCE THE RECOMMENDATION THAT WAS

PRESENTED TO COMMITTEE. AND, THEN, I'M SURE THERE WILL BE A

22 WAS THE FULL LIST?

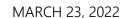
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24 CLERK OF THE BOARD: LET ME BRING THAT UP.



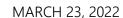


- 1 GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AGAIN, GIVEN THIS
- 2 WAS POSTED SUCH LAST MINUTE, WE WANTED TO TAKE THE TIME TO
- 3 WALK THROUGH WHAT THE PROPOSED FINAL REGIONAL ENDORSEMENT LIST
- 4 IS. A BIG CHANGE THAT THERESE HAD NOTED FROM THE COMMITTEE WAS
- 5 THIS SORT OF COMMITMENT UP FRONT THAT MTC WILL PERIODICALLY
- 6 REVISIT THIS LIST OVER THE FIVE-YEAR BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE
- 7 LAW FUNDING PERIOD. YOU KNOW, AGAIN, THIS IS REALLY A LIVING
- 8 DOCUMENT, AND THIS LIST, AS OF NOW, IS REALLY A STAKE IN THE
- 9 GROUND AND MARKER OF WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE TODAY, AND SHOULD
- 10 HELP DRIVE, AND PROVIDE OUR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AN
- 11 UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE WE SIT TODAY. SO, TO START WITH, THE
- 12 PROJECTS THAT ARE -- THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE UNDER THE TRANSIT
- 13 EXPANSION AND MODERNIZATION CATEGORY, THE FIRST ITEM ON THE
- 14 LIST PROGRAM ON THE LIST OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS AND FOR
- 15 THE NEW STARTS AND CORE CAPACITY GRANTS, THE RECOMMENDATION IS
- 16 TO INCLUDE CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION, BART CORE CAPACITY,
- 17 B.A.R.T. TO SILICON VALLEY PHASE TWO AND THE DOWNTOWN RAIL
- 18 EXTENSION LIST OF PROJECTS AND WITH RESPECT TO NEW ENTRANCE
- 19 INTO THE CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PIPELINE WE'RE RECOMMENDING
- 20 THAT WE DEFER INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL PROJECTS UNTIL THERE IS
- 21 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE DISCUSSION THROUGH THE MAJOR ADVANCEMENT
- 22 PROJECT POLICY THAT IS EXPECTED LATER THIS SUMMER. AGAIN THIS
- 23 WILL ALLOW FOR ROBUST DISCUSSION FOR NEW ENTRANCE, LIKE VALLEY
- 24 LINK. AND WE'RE RECOMMENDING PROGRAMMATIC APPROACH TO
- 25 PRIORITIZE COMPETITIVE SMALL START CANDIDATES THAT ARE GOING



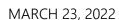


- 1 TO BE SEEKING GRANTS THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2026 NEW PROGRAMS BUS
- 2 FOCUSED GRANT PROGRAMS, RECOMMENDING BAY AREA FOCUS
- 3 PRIORITIZATION ON PROJECTS THAT ADVANCE ACCELERATE VARIOUS
- 4 TRANSACTIONS WITH ZERO-EMISSION BUS FLEET WITHIN THE PORT AND
- 5 ALSO INCLUDING COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT FACILITIES UPGRADES THAT
- 6 ARE KEY TO TRANSITION. WITH REGARD TO INNER CITY AND FREIGHT
- 7 RAIL PROGRAMS FIRST ON THE LIST IS THE FEDERAL STATE
- 8 PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FOCUSED ON INNER CITY RAIL SO THE
- 9 RECOMMENDATION THERE IS FOR CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL JOINT
- 10 BENEFIT PROJECTS THAT SUPPORT BRINGING HIGH SPEED RAIL INTO
- 11 THE BAY AREA SO WITHIN THAT THERE IS -- WE HAVE LISTED
- 12 DOWNTOWN RAIL EXTENSION, DIRIDON STATION, AND CALTRAIN
- 13 ELECTRIFICATION AS PRIORITIES. AND, THEN, A NOTE ON A CHANGE
- 14 FROM THE COMMITTEE. A PRESENTATION THAT, FOR CLARITY, WE
- 15 REMOVED THOSE QUALIFICATIONS AROUND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND
- 16 CONSTRUCTION DELINEATION FOR HIGH SPEED RAIL RELATED PROJECTS.
- 17 AND THEN ALSO IN GRANT PROGRAM WE'RE RECOMMENDING SUPPORT FOR
- 18 OTHER INTERESTED, LINK 21, INCLUDING GRANT SET-ASIDE FOR
- 19 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. NEXT RAIL SAFETY GRANTS.
- 20 WITHIN THE RAIL SAFETY GRANT PRIORITIZATION WE ARE
- 21 RECOMMENDING THE FIRST IS FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY RAIL SAFETY
- 22 ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM. THANK YOU. SORRY ABOUT THAT. RAIL --
- 23 ALAMEDA COUNTY RAIL SAFETY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM WHICH IS THE
- 24 PROGRAM AT GRADE CROSSING SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS WHICH IS AN
- 25 INCREDIBLY DANGEROUS RATE THROUGHOUT THE EAST BAY AND THEN





- 1 GUIDE SEPARATIONS. WE PRESENTED A HIGH-LEVEL PROGRAMMATIC
- 2 APPROACH TO IDENTIFY GUIDE SEPARATIONS AND WE'RE RETURNING
- 3 BACK TO THE COMMISSION WITH SPECIFIC PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS.
- 4 SO, THE SIX GUIDE SEPARATION PROJECTS LISTED HERE ARE THOSE
- 5 THAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING WOULD BE SHARED WITH THE STATE FOR
- 6 COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION ON WHAT WOULD THEN BE ADVANCED
- 7 FOR BILL GRANT FUNDS REQUESTS. WE WENT ABOUT THIS BY -- THESE
- 8 WERE IDENTIFIED AFTER A CALL FOR PROJECTS THAT WAS SUBMITTED
- 9 THROUGH UNDER ARREST COUNTY PARTNERS AND ASSESSED BASED ON
- 10 CRITERIA RELATED SAFETY MOBILITY EOUITY AND HIGH SPEED RAIL
- 11 NEXUS. NEXT, PLEASE MOVE DOWN TO THE NEXT PAGE. THIS NEXT PAGE
- 12 STARTS WITH MULTI-MODAL PROJECTS, CAPTAIN INVESTMENTS FIRST
- 13 MESSAGE GRANT PROGRAM WE'RE PROPOSING TO INNOVATE 680 A MULTI-
- 14 MODAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS TO BUILD-OUT REGIONAL EXPRESS LANE
- 15 NETWORK AND THAT WITH THE ZERO-EMISSIONS BUS PROJECTS THAT CAN
- 16 RELIEVE CONGESTION ALONG THE CORRIDOR AND PROVIDE RELIABLE
- 17 TRANSIT OPTIONS FOR RESIDENTS AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES EQUITY
- 18 PRIORITY COMMUNITIES FOR THE RAIL COMMUTERS IN THE BAY AREA
- 19 AND SHARED MOBILITY HUBS AND INTEGRATION INTO CONNECTED
- 20 AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES FOR THE COUNTY THAT'S CRITERIA THAT CAN
- 21 HELP MEET THE INNOVATION CRITERIA WITHIN THIS GRANT PROGRAM.
- 22 FOR SMALL, MEGA, THESE ARE FOR PROJECTS BETWEEN 100,000,005
- 23 HELPED MILLION DOLLARS. THIS WAS AN AREA WHERE WE ALSO
- 24 RECEIVED DIRECTION AT THE COMMITTEE THAT WE NEEDED TO FURTHER
- 25 REFINE OUR PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS. AND THIS WAS A VERY HIGHLY





- 1 COMPETITIVE CATEGORY THERE WAS A LOT OF INTEREST FROM PROJECT
- 2 SPONSORS. SO THIS RECOMMENDATION NOW REFINES IT TO ONE HIGHLY
- 3 COMPETITIVE PROJECT TRANSFORMING OAKLAND WATERFRONT
- 4 NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT THAT CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS UPCOMING
- 5 GRANT CYCLE WITH A COMMIT THAT WE'LL COME BACK AFTER THE MAJOR
- 6 PROJECTS ADVANCEMENT POLICY WORK TO COME BACK AND FILL OUT THE
- 7 REST OF THE PROJECT PRIORITIZATION FOR THIS SMALL MEGA
- 8 CATEGORY. RELATED TO BRIDGES. THERE IS A NEW BRIDGE INVESTMENT
- 9 GRANT PROGRAM IF THE INFRASTRUCTURE LAW THAT PROVIDES FOR
- 10 LARGE PROJECTS OVER 100 MILLION AND SMALL PROJECTS AND JUST
- 11 FOR CLARIFICATION THE PROPOSAL HERE IS THAT WE'RE ONLY
- 12 INCLUDING THE LARGE PROJECTS FOR A PORTION OF THE PROGRAM IN
- 13 THE GRANT PRIORITIZATION. FOR THE LARGE CATEGORY WE'RE
- 14 PROPOSING GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE SEISMIC RETROFITS AND BAY BRIDGE
- 15 WE HAVE FOR CANDIDATES FOR INCLUSION IN THE ORIGINAL LIST AND
- 16 A CLARIFYING CHANGE FROM THE COMMITTEE -- NOT CLARIFYING -- A
- 17 CHANGE FROM THE COMMITTEE IS CLARIFYING THAT THE GOLDEN GATE
- 18 BRIDGE WILL BE FIRST PRIORITY FOR THE GRANT FUNDING. THANK
- 19 YOU. THE NEXT PROGRAM IS INFRA. SO WE'RE PROPOSING THAT I-880
- 20 CLEAN FREIGHT TRUCK SCALES PROJECT FOR AN INFRAPRIORITY POINT
- 21 ON 880 AT CORDELIA, AND THE COMPONENT OF THE PROPOSED EAST BAY
- 22 [INDISCERNIBLE] CORRIDOR PROGRAM. AND THERE WERE OTHER
- 23 POTENTIAL CANDIDATES IN THE CATEGORY THE TIMING OF THE FEDERAL
- 24 GRANT CYCLES IS REALLY GREAT IN NEED FOR FUNDING PROJECTS IN
- 25 PROVIDING FUND THAT WOULD ENABLE MEETING OF THE GRANT PROGRAM



- 1 REQUIREMENTS. SO THIS IS ONE OF THOSE AREAS, IT'S A COMMITMENT
- 2 TO COME BACK AND THIS IS GOING TO BE A LIVING DOCUMENT SO
- 3 WE'LL BE ABLE TO COME BACK AFTER THE GRANT PROGRAM AWARDS ARE
- 4 ANNOUNCED. IS THEN THE NEXT TWO, THE RURAL SURFACE
- 5 TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AND PROTECT PROGRAM ARE BOTH CANDIDATES
- 6 FOR STATE ROUTE 37 AND INTERIM PROJECT AND RESILIENCE
- 7 IMPROVEMENTS. LASTLY BUT NOT LEAST, THE PORT PROGRAM HERE,
- 8 WE'RE RECOMMENDING PRIORITIZATION FOR PORT OF ELECTRIFICATION,
- 9 PORT OF OAKLAND ELECTRIFICATION AND MODERNIZATION. I WANT TO
- 10 SAY THIS WAS A LOT OF INFORMATION. THERE ARE A LOT OF GRANT
- 11 PROGRAMS, WHEREAS, ALSO, QUITE A BIT OF INTERESTING
- 12 COMMUNICATION EVEN AFTER THE COMMISSION MEETING FROM
- 13 COMMISSIONERS AND FROM PARTNERS ON PROJECT REQUESTS AND WE'RE
- 14 JUST HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. I'LL RETURN IT BACK TO THE
- 15 CHAIR

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- 17 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. GEORGIA, THANK YOU VERY
- 18 MUCH FOR A GREAT PRESENTATION. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?

- 20 SAM LICCARDO: JUST A CLARIFICATION WITH REGARD TO -- I WAS
- 21 NOTIFIED THIS MORNING, REBECCA AND I HAD A CONVERSATION ABOUT
- 22 EXPRESS LANES AND AT ONE POINT, AT LEAST AS OF MONDAY, OUR
- 23 TRANSIT AGENCY STAFF HAD BELIEVED THE EXPRESS LANES WOULD BE
- 24 INCLUDED IN THE MEGA SMALL PROJECTS. THEY WEREN'T AWARE UNTIL
- 25 I TOLD THEM THIS MORNING THAT THEY WERE NOT INCLUDED AND I'M



TRYING TO UNDERSTAND JUST BETTER -- YOU CAN HELP US UNDERSTAND 1 WHAT HAS CHANGED IN THE LAST 24 TO 48 HOURS THAT HAS LEAD 2 3 STAFF TO BELIEVE THAT EXPRESS LANES, SIMPLY IN THIS CASE, I THINK IT WAS A 101 PROJECT, SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THAT 4 5 BUCKET? 6 THERESE MCMILLAN: I'LL TAKE THAT. AND THIS REFLECTS ON THE 7 8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WE PUT INTO THAT CATEGORY ABOUT THE MAP. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WANTED TO DO, COMMISSIONER 9 10 LICCARDO, WAS TO ENSURE THAT, AGAIN, BACK TO BEING COMPETITIVE ON THIS NATIONAL STAGE, AND ONE OF THE PLACES THAT'S GOING TO 11 BE MOST COMPETITIVE IS THIS MEGA FOCUS, IS THAT WE HAVE THE 12 TIME TO REALLY -- WE HAVE FLAGGED, EXPRESS LANES, REGIONALLY, 13 AND SUBREGIONAL COMPONENTS AS AN AREA WHERE YOU WANT TO FOCUS 14 15 ON THE MAP, AS THIS SUMMER EXERCISE COMING UP, AS TO WHAT 16 COULD BE THE MOST COMPETITIVE PACKAGE WE COULD PUT FORWARD IN 17 THIS SPACE. AND, SO, THAT WAS THE RECOMMENDATION FOR NOT TO INCLUDE SOMETHING NOW, BUT TO BRING THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS 18 FORWARD IN TERMS OF THIS LARGER EVALUATION HAPPENING IN THE 19 NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS IN ORDER TO BEST POSITION IN OUR VIEW 20 21 WHAT MIGHT BE COMPETITIVE, AGAIN N THIS VERY TIGHT FIELD. 22 SAM LICCARDO: AND THAT MAP, SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD COME 23

TO US IN JUNE OR JULY? IS THAT CORRECT?

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THERESE MCMILLAN: IDEAL, THAT'S THE TARGET. YES. LICK LUCK I 1 APPRECIATE STAFF MAYBE DIDN'T HAVE THE TIME TO DO WHAT WE HAVE 2 3 DONE IN THE PAST WHICH IS, HEY, LET'S LOOK AT ALL THE PROJECTS USING OBJECTIVE CRITERIA SCORE THE PROJECTS LET EVERYBODY LOOK 4 5 AT THE SCORES KICK THE TIRES AND UNDERSTAND HOW THE SCORES COMPARE TO ONE ANOTHER. AND I UNDERSTAND BECAUSE OF THE NATURE 6 OF FEDERAL FUNDINGS AVAILABLE AND EVERYBODY'S RUSHING IN TO 7 8 TRY TO MAKE SURE WE CAN BE AS SUCCESSFUL AS POSSIBLE, WITH KEY PROJECTS, I UNDERSTAND WHY THAT WAS BYPASSED THIS TIME. IS IT 9 POSSIBLE THAT BETWEEN NOW AND JULY, THERE WILL BE SOME WAY FOR 10 ALL OF US TO GET ON THE BOARD, SOME TRANSPARENCY ABOUT ALL THE 11 PROJECTS, HOW THEY COMPARE ALONG THE BASIC CRITERIA THAT'S 12 COST BENEFIT, LOCAL MATCH, SAFETY, WHATEVER THE CRITERIA MIGHT 13 BE. SO, WE ALL CAN FEEL CONFIDENT? LOOK. WE ALL WANT TO WORK 14 15 REGIONALLY, I THINK WE ALL AGREE ON THAT. WE JUST WANT TO KNOW 16 IF OUR PRIORITIES ARE NOT THE REGION'S PRIORITIES. WE HAVE GOT 17 A GOOD REASON FOR IT. SO WE KNOW WHY WE NEED TO SIT IN LINE, AND MAYBE WHAT WE NEED TO DO IN ORDER TO MAKE THE PROJECT 18 BETTER. 19 THERESE MCMILLAN: YOU MAKE A COUPLE OF REALLY IMPORTANT POINTS

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- THAT I WANT TO UNDERSCORE AND EMPHASIZE AGAIN. ONE OF THE 22
- CHALLENGES, I THINK, JUST AS SORT OF AN OPTIC IN ALL OF THIS, 23
- IS THAT IF YOU DO NOT GET ON THE LIST RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE NEVER 24
- GOING TO GET THIS MONEY. [LAUGHTER] WHEN, IN FACT, THE 25



- 1 PROGRAMS OFTEN ARE STAGED. THERE IS GOING TO BE A CALL FOR
- 2 PROGRAM THIS YEAR, AND THEN ONE NEXT YEAR, AND THEN ONE NEXT
- 3 YEAR. SO, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IS THAT
- 4 THERE IS GOING -- AND PART OF THE REASON THAT WE ALSO ARE
- 5 WAITING TO GET MORE INFORMATION IS THAT, IN SOME CASES WITH
- 6 THESE BRAND-NEW PROGRAMS, IT'S NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR HOW THAT ALL
- 7 WORKS. AND, SO, THAT'S ONE OF THE PIECES OF INFORMATION THAT
- 8 WE'LL BE GETTING, AS, YOU KNOW, THE FEDS ROLL OUT MORE DETAILS
- 9 ABOUT HOW THEY'RE GOING TO BE ADMINISTERING THESE PROGRAMS.
- 10 AND, SO, AGAIN, THE COME BACK, AND REVISIT, AND REVISE. BUT TO
- 11 YOUR OTHER POINT, COMMISSIONER LICCARDO, WE REALIZE THAT THIS
- 12 MAP EXERCISE IS GOING TO PRESENT THIS ABILITY TO DO THAT TIRE
- 13 KICKING, AS YOU JUST DESCRIBED, IN THE GOING FORWARD. BUT I
- 14 THINK IT WILL ALSO BE AN APPROPRIATE PLACE TO, YOU KNOW, SET
- 15 OUT, AGAIN ACCIDENT FOR THE QUICK CURB DECISIONS WE'RE MAKING
- 16 RIGHT NOW, OF HOW THAT LINES UP, AS WELL. SO I THINK WE COULD
- 17 ACCOMMODATE BOTH.

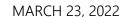
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19 SAM LICCARDO: APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU.

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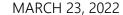
- 21 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER LICCARDO.
- 22 COMMISSIONER MILEY AND THEN COMMISSIONER PAPAN.

- 24 NATHAN MILEY: THANK YOU. IS NEW CAMERA ON HERE? I HAVE HAD A
- 25 LOT OF CONVERSATIONS WITH STAFF AND OTHERS OVER THE PAST FEW



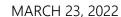


- 1 WEEKS ABOUT ALL OF THIS, AND, LIKE I SAID, IT'S REALLY
- 2 IMPORTANT TO A LOT OF US THAT VALLEY IS LINK BE INCLUDED ON
- 3 THE LIST OF PROGRAMS FOR THE CIG PROGRAM. I RESPECT,
- 4 OBVIOUSLY, THE POSITION OF STAFF. STAFF HAVE A LOT MORE
- 5 EXPERTISE THAN I DO, BUT I HAVE TALK WITH A LOT OF FOLKS, AND
- 6 IT'S VERY CONCERNING THAT IF VALLEY LINK IS NOT ON THE LIST,
- 7 THAT THE PROJECT, ULTIMATELY, WILL FAIL AND WILL BE DEAD. AND
- 8 I HAVE SENT A LETTER TO THE COMMISSION, AND HOPEFULLY EVERYONE
- 9 HAS HAD A CHANCE IT SEE IT, ON MARCH THE 16th, I KNOW THERE
- 10 HAS BEEN OTHER CORRESPONDENCE, AND CONGRESSMAN CONSUELA ALSO
- 11 SENT A LETTER AND HE REFERENCE IN HIS LETTER MENTIONS THAT
- 12 VALLEY LINK MEETS ALL OF THE CIG PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY
- 13 REQUIREMENTS AND HAS WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FROM ALL SECTORS OF
- 14 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. VALLEY LINK IS IDENTIFIED IN THE MTC'S
- 15 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 WITHIN THE DELIVERY PERIOD. THE PROJECTS
- 16 IN THE SECTION HAS OVER \$700 MILLION IF FUNDING ALREADY
- 17 AVAILABLE. THE PROJECT ALREADY HAS CEQA, ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
- 18 ACT CLEARANCE. AND TARGETED CONSTRUCTION DATE OF 2025 THAT
- 19 SUPPORTS THE GRANT AGREEMENT AROUND THE CIF PROGRAM FOR THE
- 20 BAY AREA BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE REGIONAL LIST. AND, I'M NOT
- 21 GOING TO REFERENCE ALL OF THE REASONS WHY VALLEY LINK IS
- 22 IMPORTANT BECAUSE THAT'S OUTLINED IN COMMUNICATION AND THE
- 23 COMMUNICATION OF OTHERS AS HAD H I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A MOTION
- 24 MOVING FORWARD THAT IT INCLUDES VALLEY IS LINK AS A PROJECT
- 25 PRIORITY FOR THE CIG PROGRAM. AS PART OF THE BIL REGIONAL





- 1 GRANT STRATEGY. I KNOW THE STAFF HAS TALKED ABOUT THE MAP AND
- 2 BEING NEW TO THE COMMISSION, I HAVE BEEN ON THE COMMISSION
- 3 SINCE [INDISCERNIBLE] RETIRED, BUT I HAVE RECEIVED A LOT OF
- 4 FEEDBACK FROM OTHERS THAT THE MAP PROCESS MIGHT NOT BE WHAT WE
- 5 WANT TO WAIT FOR. AND, ONCE AGAIN, IF WE WAIT FOR IT, IT COULD
- 6 KILL THE VALLEY LINK PROJECT. WITH INDULGENCE OF THE CHAIR, I
- 7 WOULD LIKE TO MAKE POINT ON THAT. FIRST OF ALL THE DEFERRING A
- 8 VALLEY LINK IMPACT ABILITY TO SECURE FUNDING WITH IDENTIFIED
- 9 BY MTC AS CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS, VALLEY LINK IS SEEKING
- 10 STATE FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT A FULL FUNDING PLAN TO THE
- 11 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TO SECURE FULL FUNDING GRANT
- 12 AGREEMENT WITHIN THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW. FIVE YEAR
- 13 TIME FRAME. VALLEY LINK NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO COMPETE FOR STATE
- 14 FUNDS ON THE SAY LEVEL PLAYING FIELD WITH OTHER CURRENT
- 15 CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROJECT PRIORITIES EITHER PREVIOUSLY
- 16 ASSUMED CAPTAIN INVESTMENT GRANT FUNDING AS PART OF THE FULL
- 17 FUNDING PLAN IN THE FUNDING APPLICATION, CAP-AND-TRADE PROGRAM
- 18 PRIORITY IN THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW AT THIS POINT IN
- 19 TIME WILL SUPPORT CROSS LEVERAGING FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING
- 20 PLANNED FOR VALLEY LINK AND OTHER CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT
- 21 PROJECTS. NUMBER TWO, DEFERRING VALLEY LINK NEGATIVELY IMPACTS
- 22 ITS ABILITY IT MOVE THROUGH THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION
- 23 COMMISSIONS AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATION'S NEW START UP TO SECURE
- 24 FEDERAL FUNDING. VALLEY LINK IS PREPARED TO SUBMIT THE REQUEST
- 25 TO THE FTA FOR ENTRY INTO THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT. THE FIRST



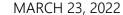


- 1 STEP IN THE NEW START UP PROCESS IN THE COMING MONTHS, AS WELL
- 2 AS WORK TO SECURE THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION'S
- 3 JOINT STEWARDSHIP OVER THE CURRENT FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL
- 4 PROCESS REQUIRED FOR FEDERAL FUNDING ELIGIBILITY. EXCLUDING
- 5 THE LINK FROM MTC'S CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PRIORITIES LIST
- 6 UNDERMINES VALLEY LINK'S ABILITY TO SECURE THESE COMMITMENTS
- 7 OF RESOURCES ON THE FTA. BY SIGNALING THAT THE REGION DOES NOT
- 8 -- AND I EMPHASIZE, "DOES NOT SUPPORT THE PROJECT" AND ADDS
- 9 DELAY TO THE PROJECT'S DELIVERY. NUMBER THREE. I'M ALMOST
- 10 DONE. NUMBER THREE. THERE NO CLEAR RATIONALE WHY ADDING VALLEY
- 11 LINK AS A PROJECT PRIORITY CAPTAIN INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM AT
- 12 THIS TIME NEGATIVELY IMPACTS THE REGION. THERE ARE NO OTHER
- 13 TRANSIT PROJECTS IN THE REGION OTHER THAN VALLEY LINK THAT ARE
- 14 SEEKING INCLUSION ON THE CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PRIORITY
- 15 LIST. THOSE ALREADY APPLIED BY MTC. AT THIS TIME AN
- 16 UNPRECEDENTED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BOTH AT FEDERAL AND STATE
- 17 LEVEL MAXIMIZING NATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS IS BEST SUPPORTED BY
- 18 ENSURING THAT ALL ELIGIBLE REGIONAL PROJECTS CAN BE COMPLETED.
- 19 WITH THE \$18 MILLION IN FEDERAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT
- 20 PROGRAM FUNDING AVAILABLE UNDER THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE
- 21 LAW AND OVER 30 BILLION IN ANTICIPATED SURPLUS FUNDS UNDER THE
- 22 DISCUSSION AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022, 2023 STATE BUDGET
- 23 THIS IS THE TIME FOR COLLABORATION WITHIN THE REGION TO MEET
- 24 OUR REGIONAL AND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION GOALS. NUMBER FOUR.
- 25 REFERRING VALLEY LINK TO MTC'S MAJOR PROJECT ADVANCEMENT



- 1 PROCESS IMPOSES A BURDEN OF PROOF UPON THE PROJECT NOT USED BY
- 2 MTC ON ANY OTHER EXISTING CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM
- 3 PRIORITY. MTC STAFF SHOW FOR THE EXISTING CAPITAL INVESTMENT
- 4 GRANT PROGRAM IMAGINE PRIORITIES WAS THAT THE PROJECTS WERE IN
- 5 THE NEW STARTS WITH ACCEPTANCE BY THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION
- 6 ADMINISTRATION OF THE BUDGET AND TO THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT.
- 7 THE APPROVAL OF ENTRY INTO THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT CAN BE DONE
- 8 ANY TIME DURING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS AND DOES NOT REQUIRE
- 9 FULL FUNDING THROUGH CONSTRUCTION OR DETAILED PLAN INCLUDING
- 10 REVENUE SERVICE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE, RATHER SIMPLY THE
- 11 LOCAL FINANCIAL COMMITMENT OF FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE FEDERAL
- 12 ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS IN PROCESS AND DESIGN. CHAIR AND MEMBERS
- 13 OF THE EXHIBITION, I THINK IT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT,
- 14 ESSENTIAL, THAT VALLEY LINK BE INCLUDED ON THIS LIST. WE DON'T
- 15 WANT THIS PROJECT TO DIE. I KNOW THERE IS A DISAGREEMENT WITH
- 16 STAFF ON ITS READINESS BASED ON WHAT I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY
- 17 OTHERS, THAT IT IS READY. I SUPPORT IT. I WAS ASKED TO SUPPORT
- 18 THE DTX, AND I DID THAT. AND I'M HOPING THAT I CAN GET THE
- 19 SAME CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.
- 21 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER MILEY.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?
- 24 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: YES, THANK YOU, CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I
- 25 REPRESENT THE CITIES OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, SO I CERTAINLY DO

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- 1 SUPPORT VALLEY LINK. HOWEVER, I FEEL LIKE I HAVE MISSED OUT ON
- 2 A COUPLE OF IMPORTANT CONVERSATIONS. BECAUSE FOR COMPLETE
- 3 TRANSPARENCY, COMMISSIONER MILEY AND MYSELF DID MEET WITH
- 4 THERESE AND ALIX YESTERDAY TO TALK ABOUT THIS PROJECT, AND
- 5 WHEN WE LEFT THAT MEETING, I WENT INTO MY COUNCIL MEETING, SO
- 6 I WASN'T PRIVY TO SOME OTHER CONVERSATIONS THAT TOOK PLACE
- 7 LAST NIGHT, SO I HAVE TO SAY THAT I'M CONFUSED, AND MAYBE
- 8 SOMEBODY CAN ENLIGHTEN ME. BECAUSE WHEN WE LEFT THAT MEETING
- 9 YESTERDAY, I WAS UNDER THE UNDERSTANDING, AND MIGHT I ADD THAT
- 10 CHAIR PEDROZA CAME INTO THE MEETING, SO MAYBE YOU CAN
- 11 ENLIGHTEN ME, THAT WE HAD DECIDE THAT THERE SEEMED TO BE A
- 12 DISCONNECT IN INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROCESS, THE VALLEY LINK
- 13 COMMUNICATIONS THAT THERE HAD NOT BEEN DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS,
- 14 AND A LOT OF THE INFORMATION OUT THERE WASN'T NECESSARILY
- 15 ACCURATE. LIKE, ONE OF THE THINGS I HEARD, AGAIN, TODAY, IS
- 16 THAT IF IT'S NOT ON THE LIST, IT'S GOING TO HAMPER THE ABILITY
- 17 TO GET THE STATE FUNDING THAT IS SO BADLY NEEDED. SO, I NEED
- 18 CLARIFICATION IN ALL OF THIS TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION
- 19 ABOUT DECIDING, DO I UNDERSTAND, AS COMMISSIONER MILEY IS
- 20 REQUESTING, TO ASK THE REST OF THE COMMISSION TO HAVE THIS ON
- 21 THE LIST? OR DO I STICK WITH STAFF'S ARGUMENTS THAT THROUGH
- 22 THE MAP PROCESS, THIS WILL BE ABLE TO BE ADDED. SO THAT IS MY
- 23 TWO CENTS, AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING RESPONSES TO
- 24 THAT. THANK YOU COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI. AND LET'S GO TO



- 1 COMMISSIONER COMMENTS THEN WE'LL PROVIDE CLARIFICATION, AS
- 2 WELL, COMMISSIONER. COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

- 4 GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO STAFF FOR THEIR OUTREACH. I
- 5 KNOW THIS IS HARD. AND I APPRECIATE THERESE'S COMMENTS.
- 6 BECAUSE WE ALL HAVE SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS, WE WISH WE WERE ON
- 7 THE LIST, WE'RE VERY THANKFUL WE DID GET ON THE LIST. ONE OF
- 8 WHICH I HOPE WE GET TO BRING UP SOON IS THE 184 INTERCHANGE
- 9 WITH THE EIRS DONE WE'RE ONLY TALKING ABOUT 184 MILLION AND
- 10 THE REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS CANNOT BE UNDERESTIMATED
- 11 BECAUSE IT COMPLEMENTS THE RECENTLY COMPLETED SAN MATEO COUNTY
- 12 EXPRESS LANES AND THE PROJECT IS LISTED AS A COMPREHENSIVE
- 13 MULTI-MODAL CORRIDOR PLAN. BECAUSE IT CONNECTS THE REDWOOD
- 14 CITY PORT WHICH BRINGS IN ALL THE BUILDING MATERIALS TO SANTA
- 15 CLARA, TO SAN MATEO COUNTY, TO SAN FRANCISCO, AND, SO, THE
- 16 SIGNIFICANCE IS IMPORTANT, AND I DO HOPE BECAUSE IT IS SO
- 17 READY TO GO, THAT WHEN WE CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION IN JULY, I
- 18 THINK THE BEST THING WE CAN HAVE HERE ARE THE PROJECTS THAT WE
- 19 CAN GET DONE IN THIS FIVE YEAR PERIOD AND REALLY MAKE THEM
- 20 HAPPEN. KNOW THIS'S WHAT MY COUNTY TRIED TO DO IS REALLY TRY
- 21 TO GIVE YOU PROJECT THAT WE CAN GET DONE. SO I UNDERSTAND THE
- 22 STRESS ON EVERYTHING, AND THE -- WHAT WE'RE FOCUSING ON IS
- 23 REALLY GETTING THE FUNDING HERE, AND GETTING IT IMPLEMENTED SO
- 24 WE CAN SPEND IT AND ACCOMPLISH THINGS. SO, I WANT TO THANK
- 25 YOU. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE COMMENTS OF THE



- 1 COMMISSIONERS. I HOPE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER IN MAKING THESE
- 2 THINGS A REALITY. SO, THANK YOU, EVERYONE. AND, HOPEFULLY
- 3 JULY, WE CAN HELP A LITTLE BIT MORE TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN.

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- 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN.
- 6 COMMISSIONER SPERING?

- 8 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE MIXED
- 9 EMOTIONS ABOUT THIS, BUT I THINK THE REQUEST THIS'S BEING MADE
- 10 REASONABLE. AS WE WERE DOING PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, THE 880
- 11 CORRIDOR WAS ONE OF THE MOST CONGESTED CORRIDORS IN OUR REGION
- 12 AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE BENEFITS OF VALLEY LINK, IT GOT MOVED
- 13 UP INTO THE PLAN. AND YOU KNOW, I SUPPORT THE CALTRANS
- 14 ELECTRIFICATION, BART CORE CAPACITY, SILICON VALLEY PHASE TWO
- 15 AND DTX BUT I ALSO SUPPORT VALLEY LINK AND I THINK IT'S SHORT
- 16 SIGHTED TO NOT AT LEAST PUT THIS PROJECT IN A POSITION TO
- 17 COMPETE FOR SOME OF THESE FUNDS. AND BOTH REGIONAL FUNDS. AND
- 18 STAFF SAYS WE CAN DISCUSS IT LATER. BUT IF YOU ASK ANY OF THE
- 19 ONES THAT ARE ALREADY MENTIONED WOULD YOU WANT TO COME OFF THE
- 20 LIST FOR DISCUSSIONS? THE ANSWER IS NO. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
- 21 TO LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF COMMUTERS COMING OUT OF THE SAN
- 22 JOAQUIN VALLEY THAT'S A HUGE NUMBER. AND THESE ARE HUGE
- 23 NUMBERS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND ON CONGESTION
- 24 IT'S GOING TO AFFECT HOW HOUSING IS BUILT IN THAT CORRIDOR
- 25 THERE IS A LOT OF BENEFIT. AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT HARM IT



- 1 DOES TO ADD A MAJOR PROJECT LIKE THAT THAT'S IDENTIFIED IN OUR
- 2 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. AND I HOPE AS WE GO FORWARD THAT'S
- 3 INCLUDED. BUT I DON'T WANT TO OPEN THIS UP TO EVERYONE'S
- 4 PROJECT, BUT THANK YOU IS ONE THAT HAD A LOT OF DISCUSSION IN
- 5 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. AND OF IT GOT MOVED INTO OUR FIRST TIER
- 6 FOR A LOT OF GOOD REASONS, AND I THINK TO IGNORE THEM AT THIS
- 7 TIME, I THINK IT WOULD BE SHORT SIGHTED. THANK YOU, MR.
- 8 CHAIRMAN.

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- 10 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING.
- 11 COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA THEN COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

- 13 MARGARET ABE-KOGA: THANK YOU, CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO THEY
- 14 THINK STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK. IT SOUND LIKE IT WAS TO THE
- 15 11th HOUR, AND I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE MTC STAFF FOR
- 16 HEARING OUR REQUESTS FOR CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION. AND I THINK
- 17 AS COMMISSIONER PAPAN MENTIONED, THE FOCUS ON SHOVEL READY OR
- 18 CLOSE TO SHOVEL READY PROJECTS, AS WELL AS LOCALLY FUNDED
- 19 MATCHED FUNDS IS REALLY A GOOD PLACE TO PUT OUR PRIORITY ON.
- 20 LET'S GET THESE PROJECTS DONE. AND SOME OF THESE ARE REALLY
- 21 READY TO GO, AND I WANT TO APPRECIATE, I ACKNOWLEDGE, AND
- 22 APPRECIATE STAFF'S GREAT SEPARATION LIST AND WE ARE READY TO
- 23 GO ON OUR PROJECT. THANK YOU FOR INCLUDING THAT. AS FAR AS
- 24 OTHER PROJECTS, I KNOW EVERYBODY HAS PROJECTS THAT ARE
- 25 IMPORTANT, AND I ACTUALLY LOOK FORWARD TO THE CONVERSATION



- 1 LATER TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE VARIOUS PROJECTS. BECAUSE,
- 2 FRANKLY, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH TO BE ABLE
- 3 TO SAY ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, AND AS COMMISSIONER LICCARDO
- 4 MENTIONED, MAYBE HAVING THAT SPREADSHEET OR CHART WOULD BE
- 5 REALLY HELPFUL, SO WE CAN HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE
- 6 THESE PROJECTS REALLY ARE. THANK YOU.
- 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA.
- 9 COMMISSIONER PAPAN? COMMISSIONER MILEY, AND THEN COMMISSIONER
- 10 JOSEFOWITZ?

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- 12 GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU. AND I'M SORRY I'M SPEAKING AGAIN HERE.
- 13 BUT I DID WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE ELECTRIFICATION OF CALTRAIN IS
- 14 IMPORTANT TO US, AS ARE THE GRADE SEPS AS WE MOVE FORWARD
- 15 HERE, WHEN YOU PUT CALIFORNIA HIGH SPEED RAIL THERE THIS IS
- 16 NOT A BLANK CHECK WE CAN MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN INCLUDING HIGH
- 17 SPEED RAIL BUT WITH SOME MODIFICATIONS AND WE CAN CONTINUE OUR
- 18 HOUSING AND MAKE IT CHEAPER THIS IS NOT JUST A BLANKET YOU CAN
- 19 DO WHATEVER YOU WANT THROUGH SOME OF OUR COUNTIES HERE. SO,
- 20 AGAIN, WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN, AND CHEAPER AND FASTER. THANK
- 21 YOU.
- 23 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER MILEY?

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MARCH 23, 2022

- 1 NATHAN MILEY: THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE FOR SPEAKING AGAIN TODAY.
- 2 THIS WAS THE MAIN EVENT TODAY. WE DID TALK YESTERDAY, AND I
- 3 WAS IN SUPPORT OF US HAVING A FOLLOW UP MEETING WITH VALLEY
- 4 LINK TO FURTHER ALL THE PARTIES IN THE ROOM BUT AFTER TALKING
- 5 WITH VALLEY LINK STAFF AND OTHERS YESTERDAY EVENING, THEY'RE
- 6 VERY CONVINCED THAT IF THIS IS NOT ON THE LIST, THE PROJECT IS
- 7 DEAD. AND, SO, I DON'T WANT TO TAKE A CHANCE ON THIS PROJECT
- 8 BEING DEAD. SO, I WANT TO GET IT ON THE LIST. THANK YOU.

10 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER MILEY FOR THE

11 CLARIFICATION. COMMISSIONER CANEPA?

13 DAVID CANEPA: THANK YOU SO MUCH. I JUST WANT TO RISE IN

- 14 SUPPORT OF COMMISSIONER MILEY'S COMMENTS RELATIVE TO VALLEY
- 15 LINK. AND I THINK IT'S JUST A CRITICALLY IMPORTANT REGIONAL
- 16 PROJECT THAT'S BEEN WORKED ON FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. AND I
- 17 THINK THE PRIORITIZING THIS PROJECT -- WELL, IT'S NOT IN MY
- 18 COUNTY, MR. MILEY -- IT IS IMPORTANT TO THE REGION. I JUST
- 19 HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, RELATIVE, AND I JUST NEED SOME
- 20 CLARIFICATION FROM STAFF AND I'M GRATEFUL FOR A COUPLE OF
- 21 THINGS IN SAN MATEO COUNTY, CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION IS
- 22 CRITICALLY, CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. ALSO, GRADE SEPARATIONS, WE
- 23 HAVE HAD SOME ISSUES AND IT'S GREAT IT SEE THAT THE BURLINGAME
- 24 AND SAN BRUNO GRADE SEPARATIONS ARE PART OF IT. I WANT TO TALK
- 25 A LITTLE BIT, AGAIN, AND JUST GET CLARIFICATION FROM STAFF ON



THE MANAGED LANES PROJECT, SPECIFICALLY NORTH OF 380. AND I 1 JUST WANTED TO SEE IF YOU COULD DESCRIBE HOW THE MAJOR PROJECT 2 ADVANCEMENT POLICY WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE THE ELIGIBILITY 3 FOR THE SMALL MEGA CATEGORY THERESE, IF YOU COULD JUST EXPLAIN 4 5 THAT TO US, I'M CURIOUS. BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY AN IMPORTANT CORRIDOR. AND I DON'T KNOW IF STAFF CAN SORT OF EXPLAIN IN A 6 LITTLE BIT OF DETAIL WHAT THE THOUGHTS AND PROCESS ON THAT ARE 7 8 MOVING FORWARD? 9 THERESE MCMILLAN: CERTAINLY, COMMISSIONER. AND, IF YOU RECALL, 10 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I HAD MENTIONED IN MY OPENING REMARKS 11 ABOUT THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IN DEALING WITH THESE FEDERAL 12 PROGRAMS, PARTICULARLY IN THESE COMPETITIVE AND DISCRETIONARY 13 ENVIRONMENTS IS THAT PURE ELIGIBILITY IS NOT THE SAME AS BEING 14 COMPETITIVE. IT'S JUST NOT. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I 15 16 FLAGGED IS THAT THIS MEGA PROGRAM IS GOING TO BE ONE OF THE MOST COMPETITIVE, NATIONALLY, OUT OF THE BIL. SO, ONE OF THE 17 THINGS THAT WE HAVE GOT TO THINK ABOUT IS HOW DO -- YOU KNOW, 18 WE CAN HAVE REGIONAL PRIORITIES THAT'S IMPORTANT TO THE BAY 19 AREA, BUT IT'S GOT MATTER ON THE NATION. SO, ONE OF THE 20 21 OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE WITH THE MAP PROCESS, AMONG OTHERS, IS TO BE ABLE TO THINK THROUGH, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH EXPRESS LANES, 22 IS THERE A WAY THAT WE CAN THINK ABOUT AND PACKAGE A PROPOSAL 23 FOR THE SMALL MEGAS THAT CAN GIVE A NARRATIVE OF NATIONAL 24

IMPACT, AS OPPOSED TO JUST LOCAL, OR EVEN REGIONAL. AND WE



HAVEN'T HAD THE TIME TO DO THAT. SO ONE OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES 1 -- AND AGAIN THIS IS BACK TO THE POINT I MADE EARLIER, NOT 2 3 BEING ON THE LIST NOW DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU NEVER GET ON. [LAUGHTER] SO, APROPOS, WITH THE VALLEY LINK DISCUSSION, AS 4 5 WELL, I THINK THAT AN IMPORTANT, ONE OF THE THINGS WE CAN FURTHER QUALIFY, BECAUSE IT'S NOT GOING TO BE UP TO THE 6 COMMISSION AS WHETHER YOU KNOW WHAT YOU DECIDE TO DO OR GOALS 7 8 IS TO ENSURE TO PUT FORWARD THE MOST COMPETITIVE IN TERMS OF THE INCREDIBLY FIERCE COMPETITIVE LENS BEFORE US AND AT SOME 9 10 POINT BE ABLE TO CLARIFY RELATIVE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS. 11 DAVID CANEPA: ON THE 101, 84 WOODSIDE INTERCHANGE REDWOOD CITY 12 WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THAT GOING TO BE WITHIN THE SAME BUCKET 13 AS THE 101 MANAGED LANES OR IS THAT DIFFERENT? 14 15 16 THERESE MCMILLAN: GEORGIA YOU CAN HELP ME OUT ON THAT? 17 GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN: PUT FORWARD AS A FREIGHT PROJECT FOR 18 THE NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT FREIGHT PROGRAM. WE HAVE TALKED 19 ABOUT AT THE COMMITTEE MEETING AND TODAY ONE OF THE CHALLENGES 20 21 WITH THE TIMING OF THE FEDS PUTTING OUT THEIR FREIGHT NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY AND THE STATE TRADE CORRIDOR 22 ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS OPEN FOR OPPORTUNITY IS THAT MANY 23 PROJECTS INCLUDING THE PORT OF REDWOOD CITY CONNECTION ARE IN 24

A PLACE OF DEPENDING ON IT. FUNDS IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR



- 1 MEETING THE THRESHOLD FOR THE INFRA GRANT PROGRAM AND SOME
- 2 SITUATIONS ARE SIMILAR WHERE WHATEVER ENDS UP HAPPENING IS
- 3 GOING TO DETERMINE INTEREST IN ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLYING. THOSE
- 4 ARE THE CATEGORY AND IT MAKES SENSE TO PUT FORTH ONE PROJECT
- 5 THAT CAN GO THIS YEAR AND THEN HOLD AND COME BACK AND SEE
- 6 WHERE WE CAN IDENTIFY COMPETITIVE PROJECTS. AND, SO, AGAIN, IN
- 7 OUR ASSESSMENT, THAT FREIGHT PROGRAM, OR THAT PROJECT DID
- 8 COMPETE VERY WELL, ON EVERYTHING, EXCEPT FOR THE FUNDING
- 9 MATCH.

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- 11 DAVID CANEPA: GREAT. I'LL SAY, I THINK THIS VALLEY LINK IS
- 12 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT. YOU KNOW, WORTH REALLY STRONG
- 13 CONSIDERATION. I JUST WANT TO REAFFIRM MY SUPPORT FOR THIS
- 14 VITAL PROJECT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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- 16 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER CANEPA. MORE
- 17 COMMISSIONERS JUMPING ON. LET'S DO COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ AND
- 18 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF AND COMMISSIONER WORTH.

- 20 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: THANK YOU SO, I WOULD BE
- 21 INTERESTED. I HAVE A BUNCH OF THOUGHTS, BUT I WAS WONDERING,
- 22 CHAIR, IF MAYBE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MCMILLAN COULD SORT OF
- 23 ADDRESS SOME OF THE VALLEY LINK CONCERNS? BECAUSE I FEEL RIGHT
- 24 NOW THERE IS A BUNCH OF COMMISSIONERS THAT HAVEN'T RUN THE FTA
- 25 TALKING BACK AND FORTH TO EACH OTHER ABOUT HOW FTA WORKS AND

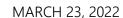


- 1 WE DO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF SOMEBODY RUNNING THE FTA RUNNING OUR
- 2 AGENCY AND I THINK THERE IS A LOT OF QUESTIONS BEING BROUGHT
- 3 UP, WHICH I WOULD LIKE -- LOVE TO GET ANSWERED BEFORE I MAKE
- 4 MY COMMENTS. I THINK YOU'RE ON MUTE.

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- 6 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, VICE CHAIR. THERESE, WHY
- 7 DON'T YOU ADDRESS THE FTA QUESTION. AND THEN I WANT TO GET TO
- 8 OTHER COMMISSIONERS. I DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANYONE. SO JUST
- 9 ANSWER THAT QUESTION

- 11 THERESE MCMILLAN: I'LL BE DIRECT AND POINTED IN MY
- 12 OBSERVATIONS. BECAUSE I THINK THEY ARE RELEVANT TO THIS. JUST
- 13 VERY QUICKLY, JUST SO THE COMMISSION UNDERSTANDS, THE CIG
- 14 PROGRAM THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS DISTINCT FROM ALL OF THE
- 15 REST OF THEM IN THAT THERE ARE STATUTORILY REQUIRED AND HIGHLY
- 16 RIGOROUS AND PRESCRIPTIVES REQUIREMENTS OF WHAT IT TAKES TO
- 17 GET A FULL FUNDING GRANT AGREEMENT FOR CI G FUNDING. AND ONE
- 18 OF THE KEY ELIGIBILITIES WHICH AGAIN DOESN'T EXACTLY EOUATE TO
- 19 COMPETITIVENESS IS YOU MUST BE ADMITTED INTO THEIR PIPELINE IN
- 20 ORDER TO BE EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT IN TERMS OF GETTING FUNDING
- 21 THAT'S THE FIRST STAGE. HOWEVER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT
- 22 ADMINISTRATION DOESN'T HAVE ON THEIR LIST WHAT IT TAKES TO GET
- 23 INTO THAT FIRST GATE BEING ON MTC'S BIL LIST. THEY DON'T.
- 24 THERE IS A VERY SPECIFIC LIST OF REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU NEED TO
- 25 CHECK, AND ONCE A PROJECT SPONSOR MEETS THOSE REQUIREMENTS





- 1 THEY WILL BE ENTERED INTO THE GATE. SO THE ALLEGATION, I
- 2 GUESS, THAT SOMEHOW NOT BEING ON OUR LIST COMPLETELY, OR
- 3 SIGNIFICANTLY HAMPERS THE PROJECT SPONSOR FROM GETTING INTO
- 4 PROJECT DELIVERY, BASICALLY, IS JUST NOT TRUE. BECAUSE IT WILL
- 5 NOT HAVE AN IMPACT IN THAT SPACE. AND I CAN SAY THAT WITH
- 6 SURETY, HAVING TALKED WITH REGION NINE DIRECTOR JUST LAST
- 7 NIGHT. IN ADDITION TO THAT, I THINK THE OTHER I THINK THAT'S
- 8 IMPORTANT HERE IS THAT ONCE A PROJECT IS IN THE CIG PIPELINE
- 9 IS THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE THIS RIGOROUS TESTS THAT YOU NEAT
- 10 TO MEET AND ONE OF THOSE TESTS IS YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO
- 11 DELIVER A CLEAR FUNDING PACKAGE TO DELIVER THE PROGRAM I CAN'T
- 12 EMPHASIZE THAT ENOUGH. IT GETS HARDER ON ONE REASON FOR
- 13 PARTICIPATION, IS TO BE ABLE TO AS A REGION TO LOOK THROUGH
- 14 AND SAY WHAT ARE THOSE FUNDING PICTURES LOOKING LIKE FOR THE
- 15 PROJECTS WHAT ARE THE SHORTFALLS OF PROJECTS, WHAT ARE THE
- 16 OPTIONS OF FULFILLING THEM. BEING ON THE MAP IS GOING TO BE A
- 17 DISADVANTAGE FOR VALLEY LINK IT WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
- 18 VALLEY LINK TO HELP ASSIST US ON PUTTING TOGETHER WHAT WE
- 19 THINK A FULL FUNDING PANEL WOULD BE. AND WITH THE OTHER
- 20 STATEMENT SOMEHOW NOT BEING ON OUR FEDERAL LIST MAKES THEM
- 21 INELIGIBLE FOR STATE MONEY THAT IS ALSO NOT TRUE. THE STATE IS
- 22 GOING TO MAKING THEIR DECISIONS ON TIRCP AND A NUMBER OF OTHER
- 23 THINGS AND THIS WHOLE OUESTION OF WHETHER LEVERAGING FEDERAL
- 24 MONEY MATTERS OR NOT, I WOULD PAUSE THAT IF YOU WANT TO MAKE
- 25 THAT CASE YOU BETTER BE IN THE PIPELINE AND THAT IS A SEPARATE



- 1 DECISION THAN WHAT THIS COMMISSION WILL BE DOING WITH RESPECT
- 2 TO THE BIL AND I THINK THAT HITS THE TOP POINTS HOPEFULLY WITH
- 3 RESPECT TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS. BUT THE COMMISSION'S
- 4 DECISION ON WHAT THAT I WANT TO DO, NEEDS TO BE MINDFUL OF
- 5 WHAT THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS ARE AND WHAT A PROJECT SPONSOR
- 6 NEEDS TO DO TO MEET THEM

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- 8 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND, CHAIR, IF YOU
- 9 WOULDN'T MIND IF IT'S OKAY TO MAKE COMMENT

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11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GO AHEAD.

- 13 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: I APPRECIATE STAFF TAKING THE
- 14 APPROACH THAT IF WE KIND OF PRIORITIZE OUR ASKS, WE ARE MORE
- 15 LIKELY TO GET ANY OF THEM AND THAT IF WE'RE NOT PRIORITIZING
- 16 THIS MONEY IS GOING TO GO TO LA, OR INDIANA OR ANYWHERE ELSE.
- 17 SO I APPRECIATE THAT STAFF IS TRYING TO BRING THIS
- 18 PRIORITIZATION, AND I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. I ALSO THINK THAT
- 19 WE'RE ALL GOING TO BE IN A BETTER SITUATION IF, RATHER THAN
- 20 EVERY PROJECT, TRYING TO GET INTO EVERY PART, WE DO THE WORK
- 21 STAFF IS RECOMMENDING, AND WE LAY OUT A PLAN FOR EACH OF OUR
- 22 CRITICAL PROJECTS THAT WERE IN PLANNED BAY AREA TO GET FULLY
- 23 FUNDED AND TO GET DELIVERED. BECAUSE THERE IS NO -- YOU KNOW,
- 24 FOR THE PROJECTS, IN MY CITY, I WAS -- I HAD, YOU KNOW, GOT,
- 25 AS SOON AS THE BIL LIST CAME OUT, PEOPLE ON THE PHONE SAYING



- 1 WE NEED TO BE IN MORE PARTS. BUT ULTIMATELY WE'RE ALL GOING TO
- 2 BE MORE SUCCESSFUL IF WE ARE THINKING ABOUT THIS IN A
- 3 SYSTEMATIC WAY. THESE PROJECTS ARE NOT GOING TO BE GET
- 4 DELIVERED NEXT WEDNESDAY THEY'RE GOING TO GET DELIVERED OVER A
- 5 DECADE OR MORE. AND WE NEED TO DO THIS IN A THOUGHTFUL AND
- 6 CONSISTENT WAY AND THAT'S WHY I THINK THE MAP IS SO IMPORTANT.
- 7 AND THAT THIS BIL LIST IS NOT A LIVE OR DIE LIST IT'S JUST ONE
- 8 OF THE MANY FUNDING SOURCES THAT ARE GOING TO BE ESSENTIAL IN
- 9 DELIVERING ON THESE CRITICAL PROJECT WHETHER IT'S DTX OR
- 10 VALLEY LINK OR ANY OF THEM. SO, I THINK -- YOU KNOW, I'M VERY
- 11 SUPPORTIVE OF THE LIST AS STAFF HAS LAID IT OUT, AND MORE
- 12 IMPORTANTLY, I AM SUPPORTIVE OF THE PROCESS THAT STAFF HAS
- 13 LAID OUT, WHICH IS NOT SORT OF TRYING -- WHICH IS TRYING TO
- 14 TAKE A THOUGHTFUL APPROACH TO HOW WE CAN GET ALL OF OUR
- 15 CRITICAL PROJECTS DELIVERED INCLUDING VALLEY LINK; AND SO, I'M
- 16 GOING TO MOVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION.
- 18 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, VICE CHAIR, JOSEFOWITZ. WE
- 19 STILL HAVE OTHER COMMISSIONERS. AND WE DO WANT TO GET TO
- 20 PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ. COMMISSIONER
- 21 SCHAFF AND COMMISSIONER WORTH.
- 23 LIBBY SCHAFF: PROCEDURAL OUESTION, MR. CHAIR. I BELIEVE SAM
- 24 LICCARDO MOVED AND I SECONDED THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION. IS
- 25 THERE NOT A MOTION ON THE FLOOR?

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1 2 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER SCHAFF, WHEN WE SOUGHT 3 THE PRESENTATION, COMMISSIONER LICCARDO WITHDRAW THAT HOLD --WITHHELD THAT MOTION TO RECEIVE THE STAFF PRESENTATION. SO, WE 4 5 CAN GO BACK AND ASK FOR A MOTION, WHICH, ALSO, YOU KNOW, VICE 6 CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ HAS PUT ON THE FLOOR. 7 8 LIBBY SCHAFF: WELL, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO STILL SECOND IT IF THAT HAS BEEN PUT ON THE FLOOR. 9 10 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: OF COURSE. 11 12 LIBBY SCHAFF: YOU KNOW, I HAVE EXPRESSED TO SUPERVISOR MILEY, 13 YOU KNOW, MY SUPPORT FOR VALLEY LINK. I THINK IT IS A VERY 14 15 IMPORTANT PROJECT, AND I HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE THAT MTC STAFF 16 WILL DO THE APPROPRIATE THING AND ENSURE THAT IT GETS ITS FUNDING. BUT I JUST WANT TO REFLECT ON ONE OF THE THINGS THAT 17 I HAVE APPRECIATED ABOUT MTC AS THESE ARE MY LAST FEW MONTHS 18 WITH YOU, MY DUTIES AS MAYOR, SO I WILL BE GONE IS REALLY 19 GETTING TO MTC'S CULTURE OF REALLY RESPECTING OUR INCREDIBLE 20 PROFESSIONAL STAFF AND TO THE COMMENTS THAT OUR EXECUTIVE 21 DIRECTOR THERESE MCMILLAN MADE, TO THE COMMENCE THAT 22 COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ MADE, I WANT TO LIVE UP THAT OUR STAFF 23 KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND THAT I TRUST THAT THEY WILL TAKE 24

CARE OF THIS PROJECT IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY AT THE APPROPRIATE

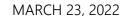


- 1 TIME, WITH THE APPROPRIATE FUNDING SOURCE. AND I AM RELUCTANT
- 2 TO CHANGE WHAT I BELIEVE HAS BEEN A VERY HEALTHY CULTURE OF
- 3 MTC. WHERE WE WORK WITH OUR STAFF, WE RESPECT THEIR
- 4 PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE. AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF US COME FROM
- 5 POLITICAL BODIES WHERE, IN MY OPINION, REGRETFULLY, WE DO NOT
- 6 DO THAT ENOUGH. AND, SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK IT IS
- 7 VERY IMPORTANT THAT THIS BOARD TAKE THE STAFF AT THEIR WORD
- 8 THAT THEY WILL WORK ON THIS. IT WILL COME FORWARD IN A TIMELY
- 9 MANNER THAT VALLEY LINK WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF AND ALLOWED TO
- 10 GET COMPLETED AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE ALL SUPPORT. BUT,
- 11 RIGHT NOW, I BELIEVE WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH STAFF'S
- 12 RECOMMENDATION. AND, SO, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO SECOND THAT
- 13 MOTION BY CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ. THANK YOU.

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- 15 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER
- 16 SCHAFF. COMMISSIONER WORTH?

- 18 AMY WORTH: I WANT TO FOLLOW UP. IN TERMS OF ELEMENTS I
- 19 APPRECIATE THE WORK OF OUR STAFF OUR FINE STAFF THAT HAVE
- 20 THEIR EARS TO THE GROUND IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND IN
- 21 SACRAMENTO. THE CHALLENGE THAT THE BAY AREA HAS IS THAT WE ARE
- 22 COMPETING WITH REGIONS LIKE LOS ANGELES, LIKE NEW YORK, LIKE
- 23 ALL THESE OTHER AREAS IN THE COUNTY OR IN THE COUNTRY, THAT
- 24 PRESENT THEIR ADVOCACY PLATFORM IN A UNIFIED WAY. WE ARE IN
- 25 DESPERATE NEED OF THESE FEDERAL FUNDS. SO I THINK THAT THE





- 1 STRATEGY THAT THE STAFF HAS IDENTIFIED IS REALLY IMPORTANT.
- 2 AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE FOLLOW THE DIRECTION THAT
- 3 OUR PROFESSIONS HAVE INDICATED FOR US IN TERMS OF BEING
- 4 COMPETITIVE. IF WE START TO SCATTER I THINK THAT WE RUN THE
- 5 SERIOUS RISK OF NOT BEING ABLE TO COMPETE WITH THESE FUNDS.
- 6 AND I AGREE WITH MAYOR SCHAFF, I CARE DEEPLY ABOUT THE VALLEY
- 7 LINK PROJECT IT'S ONE THAT'S IMPORTANT TO THE EAST BAY.
- 8 LOOKING AT THE -- ONE OF THE IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF THE LINK 21
- 9 FRAMEWORK IS WHAT ORIGINALLY STARTED AS A SECOND BAY CROSSING
- 10 HAS REALLY EVOLVED INTO A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ALL THE
- 11 EAST BAY RAIL PROGRAMS. AND I THINK IN THAT RESPECT IT'S MUCH
- 12 STRONGER AND IT DOES INCORPORATE ALL THE INVESTMENTS INCLUDING
- 13 VALLEY LINK, THE CAPITAL CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT THE VARIETY OF
- 14 RAIL THAT POSITIONS US TO MOVE FORWARD TO ACHIEVE GREENHOUSE
- 15 GAS GOALS FOR OUR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 HAVING THESE EAST BAY
- 16 INVESTMENTS IS GOING TO BE SIGNIFICANTLY IMPORTANT. AND ONE
- 17 QUESTION, I APPRECIATE COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ AVENUE
- 18 OUESTIONS TO OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CLARIFY THESE ELEMENTS,
- 19 AND I THINK THERESE, IF I COULD JUST FOLLOW UP WITH ONE
- 20 PARTICULAR QUESTION. I THINK YOUR COMMENTS ARE CLEAR WHAT ARE
- 21 THE REOUIREMENTS FOR THE CIG PROGRAM RIGHT NOW AND WHY THOSE
- 22 FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS ARE PRETTY, VERY SPECIFIC, I GUESS THE
- 23 OUESTION I HAD, THE COMMITMENT TO MOVE FORWARD AND FOLLOW UP
- 24 WITH COMMENTS ABOUT VALLEY LINK, YOU CAN SHARE MORE HOW YOU
- 25 SEE WHERE WE CAN MOVE THROUGH THE MAP PROGRAM IN THE COMING



MONTHS TO ENSURE VALLEY LINK'S CONTINUOUS FUNDING AND SUCCESS 1 IN ALL MOVING THAT PARTICULAR PROJECT FORWARD IN LIGHT OF 2 3 WHERE WE ARE TODAY AND WE NEED TO DO AND PLAN TO DO IN TERMS OF THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE? 4 5 THERESE MCMILLAN: SURE. AS I SAID, THE VERY FIRST THING THAT 6 VALLEY LINK AS A PROJECT SPONSOR WILL NEED TO DO, BECAUSE WE 7 8 CAN'T DO IT FOR THEM, AND THIS LIST POSITIONING DOESN'T REALLY HELP IT. IS THEY NEED TO GET INTO THE FTA PIPELINE AND THEY 9 10 ARE, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, IN CONVERSATION WITH FTA ABOUT WHAT IT TAKES TO DO THAT. IT'S A FAIRLY SIMPLE PROCESS BUT ONCE 11 YOU'RE IN IT THERE ARE A SERIES OF REOUIREMENTS THAT HAPPENS 12 IN CONSULTATION FOR THAT. TO THAT EXTENT THAT WE CAN HELP THEM 13 TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT PROCESS IS, BUT I THINK THAT'S THE 14 15 VERY FIRST STEP. THE MAP, PROCESS, THOUGH, IS GOING TO HELP 16 THEM, COMMISSIONER WORTH, WITH THE VERY LARGE QUESTION OF 17 WHAT, ULTIMATELY, DOES A FULL FUNDING PACKAGE LOOK LIKE. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S REALLY KEY ABOUT THE CIG PROCESS, AS YOU 18 GO THROUGH THESE GATES, YOU HAVE TO HAVE -- YOU HAVE TO 19 ACHIEVE CERTAIN COMMITMENTS OF FUNDING AT EVERY LEVEL. YOU 20 NEED TO LOCKDOWN WHAT YOU THINK YOUR FEDERAL COMMITMENT IS 21 GOING TO BE BEFORE YOU GO THROUGH ANOTHER GATE. IT'S PRETTY 22 INTENSE. AND, SO, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE MAP CAN DO IS 23 GIVE A SENSE TO VALLEY LINK, AS WELL AS VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ 24

SAID, ALL THE OTHER PARTNERS THAT ARE ALL ANGLING FOR THE SAME



- 1 KINDS OF MONEY TO FILL OUT THEIR PLANS, WHAT DOES THAT LOOK
- 2 LIKE IN TERMS OF THE BALANCE OF FEDERAL MONEY, VERSUS STATE
- 3 MONEY, VERSUS LOCAL MONEY AND HOW THAT ALL SORTS OUT. SO
- 4 THAT'S WHERE THE MAP IS GOING TO BE HUGE BENEFIT AND HELP THEM
- 5 AND HELP THEM IN THIS RIGOROUS PROCESS BECAUSE THEY HAVE MORE
- 6 INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT THE LANDSCAPE LOOKS LIKE IN THE HOME
- 7 ROOM WHICH WOULD BE THE BAY AREA. SO DOES THAT HELP ANSWER
- 8 YOUR QUESTION?

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- 10 AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, THERESE. SINCE WE'RE
- 11 VIRTUAL, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHICH BUTTON DO I PRESS SO
- 12 YOU CAN HEAR ME. I THINK SO. AND I THINK AS THE MAYOR POINTED
- 13 OUT, THAT THERE IS TREMENDOUS SUPPORT FOR THIS PRESENTLY AND
- 14 WE JUST WANT TO BE ABLE TO TEE IT UP SO IT CAN BE SUCCESSFUL
- 15 IS GET THE FUNDING THAT IT FEEDS. THAT IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT
- 16 ELEMENTS. THANK YOU.

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18 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER GLOVER?

- 20 FEDERAL D. GLOVER: THANK YOU. LET ME JUST SAY THAT I REALLY
- 21 MUST HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING WITH THIS PIECE. BECAUSE I THINK IT
- 22 REALLY IS IMPORTANT WHEN YOU HAVE A PROJECT SUCH AS VALLEY
- 23 LINK THAT IS SO CLOSE TO BEING THERE TO GET THE TYPE OF
- 24 SUPPORT NEEDED. BUT I HAVE BEEN ON THIS COMMISSION FOR A
- 25 NUMBER OF YEARS, AND ONE OF THE THING THAT I REALLY RESPECT IS



- 1 THE EXPERTISE THAT WE HAVE WITHIN OUR STAFF, AND THE FACT THAT
- 2 OUR LEADER HAVE BEEN IN WASHINGTON AND UNDERSTANDS FEDERAL
- 3 PROGRAMS AND HOW THEY WORK. SO I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THE
- 4 RECOMMENDATION THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY AND I'M VERY MUCH
- 5 LOOKING FORWARD TO VALLEY LINK, GETTING THE TYPE OF SUPPORT
- 6 THAT IT'S GOING TO NEED, AND THE GUIDANCE THAT WE COULD GIVE
- 7 AS MTC TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT PROGRAM IS ABLE TO BE DELIVERED.
- 8 AND, SO, WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE ABILITY TO -- I LOOK FORWARD
- 9 TO THE ABILITY FOR US TO BE ABLE TO BE HELPFUL WITH VALLEY
- 10 LINK AND THAT PROJECT. BECAUSE IT IS VERY IMPORTANT. NOT JUST
- 11 THERE, BUT WITHIN THE REGION, ALSO. SO, I WILL BE SUPPORTING
- 12 THIS TODAY. BUT, VERY CLEAR THAT I'M A BIG SUPPORTER OF VALLEY
- 13 LINK AND WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN THERE GOING FORWARD.
- 15 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: CHAIR PEDROZA JUST INFORMED ME THAT
- 16 HE'S HAVING CONNECTIVITY ISSUES AND IS TRYING TO GET BACK ON.
- 17 BUT FOR NOW I'LL CONTINUE AS VICE CHAIR. COMMISSIONER MILEY?
- 19 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU OF THE I'M BACK.
- 21 NATHAN MILEY: IS THERE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR. BECAUSE IF
- 22 THERE'S A MOTION ON THE FLOOR I AM GOING TO MAKE A SUBSTITUTE
- 23 MOTION.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET ME GO BACK TO COMMISSIONER 1 2 LICCARDO THEN COMMISSIONER -- AND FOLLOW UP PROCEDURES. LET ME 3 GO BACK TO COMMISSIONER LICCARDO. 4 5 SAM LICCARDO: I DON'T SEE COMMISSIONER LICCARDO ON THE SCREEN. 6 7 CLERK OF THE BOARD: OKAY. I'M GOING TO GO TO THE SECONDER OF 8 THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? 9 LIBBY SCHAFF: I'M HAPPY TO SECOND NICK JOSEFOWITZ'S MOTION. OR 10 I'M HAPPY TO MAKE A MOTION ADOPTING STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. 11 12 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: OKAY. COMMISSIONER, LET'S PROCEED WITH 13 YOUR MOTION, AND THEN I'LL TURN TO VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ TO 14 15 SEE IF THERE WAS A SECOND. 16 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: SECOND. YES. 17 18 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: AT THIS POINT I'M GOING TO CONFER WITH 19 COUNSEL TO ENSURE WE'RE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES. COUNSEL, THERE 20 WAS INTEREST TO THE MOTION IS THIS THE RIGHT TIME? 21 22 23 KATHLEEN KANE: YES THAT WOULD WORK. 24

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: MILEY?



1 NATHAN MILEY: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION THAT VALLEY LINK 2 3 BE INCLUDED IN THE BIL REGIONAL GRANT STRATEGY AS A PRIORITY PROJECT FOR THE CIG PROGRAM. THAT'S MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION. 4 5 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU COMMISSIONER 6 7 MILEY. IS THERE A SECOND FOR THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION ON THE 8 FLOOR? 9 JAMES P. SPERING: SPERING WILL SECOND FOR DISCUSSION. 10 11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. AT THIS POINT, 12 COMMISSIONERS. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SPERING. WE HAVE A 13 MOTION ON THE FLOOR, WITH A SUBSTITUTE MOTION. BEFORE WE GET 14 15 TO DISCUSSION LET'S PROCEED TO PUBLIC COMMENT THEN WE'LL BRING 16 IT BACK TO THE COMMISSION IF THAT'S OKAY COMMISSIONERS. KIMBERLY CAN YOU IDENTIFY HOW MANY PEOPLE WE HAVE WHO WISH TO 17 PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT? 18 19 CLERK OF THE BOARD: WE HAVE 11, 12, 13 -- THE NUMBER KEEPS 20 21 CLIMBING. IT'S AT 15 NOW. 22 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: OKAY. JUST BECAUSE OF THE TIME, AND I 23 WANT TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T LOSE COMMISSIONERS. CAN WE LIMIT 24



PUBLIC COMMENT TO, TRADITIONALLY, TWO MINUTES TO WHAT'S 1 STANDARD? 90 SECONDS? 2 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: WELL, IN THE PAST, WE HAVE LIMITED TO ONE 4 5 MINUTE IF TIME IS OF THE ISSUE. SO, I WILL LEAVE IT TO YOUR 6 DISCRETION. 7 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WE'LL LIMIT TO A MINUTE IF THAT'S 9 APPROPRIATE. 10 KATHLEEN KANE: YOU HAVE THAT DISCRETION AS CHAIR. 11 12 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I THANK ALL MEMBERS OF THE 13 PUBLIC THAT ARE WITH US BUT WE WANT TO GET BACK TO DISCUSSION 14 AT THIS POINT I'LL MOVE TO PUBLIC COMMENT AND PROVIDE A MINUTE 15 16 FOR EACH SPEAKER. THANK YOU. 17 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. AND TO THE RECORD, 18 THE NUMBER OF CORRESPONDENCE THAT WAS RECEIVED BEFORE I CALL 19 ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. THERE WERE OUITE A NUMBER OF THEM. 20 21 FIRST, CONGRESSWOMAN JACKIE SPEAR, CONGRESSWOMAN ERIC 22 SWALWELL, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERVISOR NATE MILEY, INNOVATIVE TRI-VALLEY LEADERSHIP GROUP, SEE CATEGORY SAN MATEO COUNTY, 23 CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, TIM SABRANTI, EAST BAY LEADERSHIP 24

COUNCIL, EAST BAY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE, BUILDING



- 1 INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION, SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION
- 2 AUTHORITY, AND WITH THAT I'LL CALL ON THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 3 PUBLIC. LET ME JUST SHARE MY SCREEN QUICKLY. THE FIRST IS DAVE
- 4 HUDSON. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE ONE
- 5 MINUTE, MR. HUDSON. ARE YOU THERE.

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7 DAVID E. HUDSON: THERE YOU GO CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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9 CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES.

- 11 DAVID E. HUDSON: THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU MISS A MEETING
- 12 I NEVER WOULD HAVE SUPPORTED THIS LAST WEEK IF I HAD KNOWN
- 13 VALLEY LINK WAS GOING TO BE CUT OUT TALKING ABOUT AND
- 14 SUPPORTING PUTTING ON THE LIST IS NOT SUPPORT. GIVING THE
- 15 EXCUSE THAT YOU CAN GET IT IN LATER. WELL THEN, YOU CAN DO IT
- 16 NOW. IT COULD FIT UNDER INNOVATE 680. IT COULD FIT UNDER JOINT
- 17 BENEFIT PROJECTS, IT WOULD DEFINITELY GO WITH BUS AND BUS
- 18 FACILITY DISCRETION. WE'RE DOING A HYDROGEN PROCESSING PLANT
- 19 OUT THERE WHICH HAS BUY-IN FROM LAFTA CTA AND TRI DELTA I
- 20 DON'T THINK YOU REALIZE THIS IS A BENEFIT FOR ALL, AT LEAST
- 21 FIVE CANYONS, ESPECIALLY SANTA CLARA. WE'RE DOING DISPLACEMENT
- 22 OF HOUSING OUT THERE FOR THESE WORKERS, LIKE WE HAVE NEVER HAD
- 23 BEFORE. AND I WANT TO POINT OUT SOMETHING THEY POINTED OUT
- 24 LAST WEEK, THAT VALLEY LINK GOES TO THE STOCKTON METROPOLITAN
- 25 AIRPORT, WHICH IS A PRIORITY OF THE THINGS THAT PETE BUTTIGIEG



WANTS AND YOU WOULD BE WALKING OR BIKING OR AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE 1 TO THAT METROPOLITAN AIRPORT THAT USES UNITED AIRLINES. 2 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS MELISSA 4 5 HERNANDEZ. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. 6 SPEAKER: THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME AND HAVING ME ON THIS 7 8 AFTERNOON. SO, CHAIR PEDROZA, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, I AM REOUESTING THE INCLUSION OF THE VALLEY LINK PROJECT AND 9 METRO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAWS 10 AND ORIGINAL GRANT STRATEGY AS A PROJECT PRIORITY OF CAPITAL 11 INVESTMENT GRANTS AS VICE CHAIR OF VALLEY LINK AND MAYOR OF 12 THE CITY OF DUBLIN I HOPE THAT YOU HEAR MY WORDS TO ACHIEVE A 13 MEGA REGION GOAL FOR THE EQUITY, ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING 14 15 AND TRANSPORTATION, WE NEED A ROBUST SUSTAINABLE PASSENGER 16 RAIL SYSTEM THAT WILL BE EOUITABLE SERVE OUR RESIDENTS AND WORKFORCE AND BETTER SERVE QUALITY OF LIFE ACCESS TO JOBS 17 EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITIES T HEALTH CARE. WE HAVE SPOKE ABOUT 18 EQUITY. THIS IS NOT BEING EQUITABLE. WE CARE ABOUT ALL THE 19 PEOPLE THAT ARE ALSO IN SAN JOAOUIN VALLEY THAT COME TO MY 20 CITY EVERY DAY TO WORK THAT SIT THERE AND WORK AS ESSENTIAL 21 WORKERS, AT OUR JAIL, AND ALSO AT ALL THE GROCERY STORES. SO, 22 PLEASE PUT THIS ON THE REGIONAL BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE 23

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GRANT STRATEGY.



CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DAVE 1 CAMPBELL WITH BIKE EAST BAY. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL 2 3 HAVE ONE MINUTE. OKAY. LOOKS LIKE HE DROPPED. NEXT SPEAKER IS ADINA LEVIN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE. 4 5 ADINA LEVIN: HELLO COMMISSIONERS ADINA LEVIN, FRIENDS OF 6 7 CALTRAIN HAT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK STAFF AND THE COMMISSION 8 FOR PUTTING FORWARD A COHERENT PACKAGE INCLUDING CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION DOWNTOWN EXTENSION DIRIDON AND CONNECTION BART 9 TO SAN JOSE WITH A LOCAL HAT I CHARITY MENLO PARK COMPLETE 10 STREETS COMMISSION. I'M SPEAKING FOR MYSELF, AND I ACTUALLY --11 WITH THE FRIENDS OF CALTRAIN HAT, I WANT TO MENTION THAT THIS 12 LIST OF GRADE SEPARATIONS ON THE CALTRAIN CORRIDOR, WHILE 13 WORKING ON THESE GRADE SEPARATIONS IS REALLY WELCOME AND 14 IMPORTANT AND TIMELY, THIS LIST, ITSELF, HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN 15 16 BEFORE. MTC USUALLY DOES A LOT OF METHODICAL AND PLANNING WORK THIS HAS COME OUT OF NOWHERE AND IS MISSING GOOD PROJECTS LIKE 17 IN MENLO PARK AND IN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT PROJECTS LIKE IN 18 REDWOOD CITY, THE GRADE SEPARATION LIST NEEDS MORE WORK AND 19 NEEDS TO COME BACK FOR REVIEW. THANK YOU. 20

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- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS TIM
- 23 SABRANTI, YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.



- 1 SPEAKER: ON THE NOTION OF THE TRI-VALLEY LEADERSHIP GROUP I
- 2 WANT TO THANK THE MTC COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF FOR YOUR ONGOING
- 3 SUPPORT OF VALLEY LINK THIS IS EVIDENCE BY PUTTING IT INTO
- 4 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND ALSO EVIDENCED BY ALL COMMENTS TODAY
- 5 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN COMING MONTHS AND
- 6 YEARS TO SEE THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT BECOME A REALITY. WE DO
- 7 SUPPORT THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR
- 8 GETTING INTO THE TIMELINE AND GETS US ON THE LIST AND
- 9 LEVERAGING THE STATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THAT. SO
- 10 MANY LETTERS OF SUPPORT THAT CAME IN ARE PEOPLE WHO REALIZED,
- 11 STAKEHOLDERS WE HAVE \$750 MILLION IN LOCAL FUNDING ALREADY
- 12 THAT IN A TIME OF HOUSING SHORTAGE THAT WILL PROVIDE TRANSIT
- 13 ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT IN A TIME OF GOODS MOVEMENT STRUGGLE
- 14 ALONG THE CORRIDOR TO ALTAMONT AND OPEN UP TO PEOPLE WHERE
- 15 THEY LIVE. THANK YOU.

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- 17 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS PAUL
- 18 KRUPTA. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

- 20 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. I'M PAUL REPRESENTING THE CITY OF REDWOOD
- 21 CITY HIGHWAY 10184 WOODSIDE INTERCHANGE PROJECT WE AND OUR
- 22 COUNTY PARTNERS INCLUDING PORT OF REDWOOD CITY I SAN MATEO
- 23 COUNTY, AND SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ARE VERY
- 24 GRATEFUL FOR THIS PARTICIPATORY PROCESS WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE
- 25 THE GRATIFICATION OF THE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM



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- 1 COLLECTIVE STAKEHOLDERS AND INCLUDING COMMISSIONERS PAPAN,
- 2 CANEPA, SPEAR, AND SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
- 3 AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE PROJECT LETTER'S INTENT OF THE PROGRAM
- 4 GIVEN EMPHASIS ON REDUCING CONGESTION INDUSTRY GOODS OF
- 5 MOVEMENT BY RAILROAD AND GRADE SEPARATION AND BICYCLE AND
- 6 PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS CHARLES LAVERY.

9 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF.

11 SPEAKER: CHARLIE LAVERY WITH THE OPERATOR ENGINEERS UNION

- 12 LOCAL THREE. I WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUING TO
- 13 PRIORITIZE PROJECTS AT DIRIDON AND ELECTRIFICATION OF CALTRAIN
- 14 I'M A LIFE-LONG TRANSIT ADVOCATE I STARTED OUT RIDING HIGH
- 15 SPEED RAIL AS A TEENAGER IN EUROPE, I WORKED ON TRANSIT
- 16 PROJECTS AND NOW I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT A CLIMATE
- 17 MITIGATION PROJECT. AND I WAS ALSO IN THE CAC FOR THE TRANSBAY
- 18 TRANSIT CENTER AND WAS FORTUNATE TO SEE A PROJECT THAT
- 19 PROVIDED HUNDREDS OF JOBS, 600 OF OUR MEMBERS WORKED ON THAT
- 20 PROJECT. 50% OF THE APPRENTICES WERE LOCAL, AND SOME OF THOSE
- 21 APPRENTICES HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPLETE THEIR
- 22 APPRENTICESHIPS AND GET ON A PATHWAY TO A LIFE-LONG CAREER. SO
- 23 I COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND ASK FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT
- 24 TO DTX.



- 1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS JASON.
- 2 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

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- 4 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIR PEDROZA AND MEMBERS
- 5 OF THE COMMISSION. MY NAME IS JASON, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF
- 6 IBEW LOCAL FIVE INCENTIVE AND ALAMEDA COUNTY BUILDING TRADES
- 7 COUNCIL WE URGE YOU TO INCLUDE VALLEY LINK IN THE MTC
- 8 BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW AND REGIONAL GRANT STRATEGY AS A
- 9 PRIORITY FOR THE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS GRANTS PROGRAM IF NOT
- 10 IT'S LIKELY WE'LL BE MISSING OUT ON 20,000 MORE FAMILY SUS
- 11 STAINING CONSTRUCTION JOBS DURING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS
- 12 PROJECT PROBABLY 3 BILLION IN MISSED ECONOMIC MACS WITH AN
- 13 ADDITIONAL 400 OPPORTUNITIES IN THE OPERATIONAL SIDE WITH
- 14 LARGER FINANCIAL IMPACT WE URGE YOU TO INCLUDE THE
- 15 TRANSFORMATIONAL PROJECT AND BE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. THANK
- 16 YOU.

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18 CLERK OF THE BOARD: MICHAEL.

- 20 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS MICHAEL GINTER REPRESENTATIVE
- 21 FOR OPERATING ENGINEERS, I AM ONE OF THOUSANDS OF MEN AND
- 22 WOMEN IN THE MOST HIGHLY SKILLED HIGHLY TRAINED WORKFORCE IN
- 23 THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. BY MOVING THIS FORWARD THIS PROJECT
- 24 WILL PROVIDE MORE GOOD PAYING JOBS WITH BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS
- 25 AND THEIR FAMILIES. THANK YOU.



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2 CLERK OF THE BOARD: KRISTINE.

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- 4 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. KRISTINE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE PORT OF
- 5 REDWOOD CITY, THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA AND FELLOW
- 6 COMMISSIONERS. WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT THAT WE HAVE SEEN
- 7 FROM OUR ELECTED'S IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THE 10184
- 8 INTERCHANGE AND WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT THAT BE INCLUDED
- 9 AS PART OF THE INFRA. JUST TO REITERATE, COMMISSIONER PAPAN.
- 10 THE EIR IS DONE WE HAVE ALREADY GOT 117 MILLION COMMITTED TO
- 11 THIS PROJECT WE NEED 184 MILLION LEFT. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
- 12 HAS ALREADY OVER THE COURSE OF THE PAST THREE YEARS INVESTED
- 13 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF MONEY IN THE PORT OF REDWOOD CITY TO
- 14 MOVE GOODS FOR THE REGION TO SATISFY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
- 15 FOR THE REGION. THE INCLUSION OF THIS INTERCHANGE IN THE
- 16 INFRA, WILL CONTINUE THE CONTINUED FED'S COMMITMENT AND
- 17 INVESTMENT IN THE REGION INTO THE RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY
- 18 AND WE WANTED TO APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT IN MAKING THAT DREAM
- 19 COME TRUE. THANK YOU.

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21 **CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT EMILY.**

- 23 SPEAKER: EMILY LOPER WITH BAY AREA COUNCIL WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF
- 24 THIS PROCESS TO THE BAY AREA TO SECURE OUR SHARE OF THE
- 25 FEDERAL GRANTS AND WE APPRECIATE THE WORK MTC STAFF HAS



- 1 EVALUATED THESE PROJECTS AND IDENTIFIED HOW TO MAKE US MOST
- 2 COMPETITIVE AS A REGION WE SUPPORT THE PROJECT ON THIS LIST
- 3 AND EMPHASIS ON MULTIMOBILE SOLUTIONS IN ADVANCE OF OUR
- 4 CLIMATE AND EQUITY GOALS AND SUPPORT THE COMMENTS IN FAVOR OF
- 5 THE VALLEY LINK IN CONNECTION BETWEEN THE BAY AREA AND MEGA
- 6 REGION AND LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING THEM IN THE COMING
- 7 MONTHS WE APPRECIATE EXPERTISE OF MTC STAFF TO HELP GUIDE US
- 8 THROUGH THIS PROCESS. THANK YOU FOR THIS WORK AND WE LOOK
- 9 FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK WITH YOU TO HELP BRING THIS
- 10 MONEY TO THE BAY AREA. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
- 12 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DAVID HAUBERT. PLEASE
- 13 UNMUTE YOURSELF.

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- 15 DAVID HAUBERT: HELLO. I'M DAVE HUDSON, ALAMEDA COUNTY
- 16 SUPERVISOR, AND YOU MAY KNOW MY PREDECESSOR SCOTT HAGGERTY,
- 17 AND I WISH I COULD SIT ON MTC THE WAY HE DID, BUT I'M HERE
- 18 SPEAKING AS A FORMER MAYOR OF DUBLIN BUT ALSO ALAMEDA COUNTY
- 19 SUPERVISOR. I TOTALLY RESPECT STAFF AND THEIR OPINION.
- 20 HOWEVER, I ALSO MUST SAY THAT VALLEY LINK NEEDS TO ALSO BE THE
- 21 MOST COMPETITIVE THAT IT CAN BE. IT WAS STATED THAT WHILE THIS
- 22 WAS NOT A REQUIREMENT FOR VALLEY LINK, WE THINK THAT IT MAKES
- 23 IT MORE COMPETITIVE AND IT CERTAINLY HELPS THE DIRECTORS WORDS
- 24 HERSELF, AND, SO, IT SHOULD BE INCLUDED. IT'S A MAJOR SOURCE
- 25 OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION



- 1 REDUCTIONS. AND IT INCLUDES HYDROGEN, WHICH IS SUPER IMPORTANT
- 2 TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT,
- 3 ALSO, ELIMINATES MUCH GOODS MOVEMENT FROM ONE OF THE BUSIEST
- 4 PORTS, OAKLAND PORT, THERE IS REALLY NO DOWNSIDE AND REALLY NO
- 5 UPSIDE TO INCLUDING VALLEY LINK. PLEASE SUPPORT THE SUBSTITUTE
- 6 MOTION. THANK YOU.

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8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 10 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON COMMISSIONERS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 11 SERVICE MY NAME IS JEN WALLISON VICE MAYOR OF MENLO PARK I
- 12 WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF GRADE SEPARATIONS FOR THE
- 13 PENINSULA, WE HAVE HAD MANY GRADE DEATHS OF PEOPLE INTERACTING
- 14 WITH CALTRAIN IN THE MODERATE GROWTH SCENARIO THE AVERAGE GATE
- 15 DOWNTIME FOR ELECTRIFICATION OF CALTRAIN CAN BE UP TO 20
- 16 MINUTES TO AN HOUR SO OUR COMMUNITIES CAN BE AT A STANDSTILL
- 17 FOR A THIRD HISTORY DAY AND ALSO OUR EMERGENCY SERVICES HAVE A
- 18 HARD TIME GETTING ACROSS THE TRACKS WHEN IT'S BACKED UP. MENLO
- 19 PARK DID NOT MAKE THE GRADE SEPARATION LIST THIS GO AROUND AND
- 20 WE OBVIOUSLY, I BELIEVE, ARE VERY WORTHY OF BEING ON THE LIST.
- 21 THAT BEING SAID ALL THE CITIES ALONG THE PENINSULA NEED TO GET
- 22 GRADES SEPARATED AND I DON'T WANT TO TAKE ONE CITY OFF TO ADD
- 23 MY OWN, BUT IF THERE IS PROCESS, TIME IN THIS PROCESS, PLEASE
- 24 DO A THOROUGH JOB EVALUATING WHICH GRADE SEPARATIONS GO WHEN.
- 25 THANK YOU, ALL.



1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS MICHAEL 2 3 BALDINI. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. 4 5 MICHAEL BALDINI: MICHAEL B. FORMER UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD GRADE CROSSING IS ABSOLUTELY HORRIFIC. WE ASK THAT YOU LOOK AT 6 GRADE SEPARATION PROJECTS AGAIN AND IN PARTICULAR THE CUTTING 7 8 BOULEVARD OVER IN RICHARD ACROSS THE BAY THROUGHOUT ELECTRIFICATION OF COURSE AND NOT A DIRECT FEEDER, BUT ANY 9 10 HIGH SPEED NETWORK HAS FEEDER LINES IN EUROPE, AND ASIA AND ET CETERA, WE HAVE THAT IN CALTRAIN FEEDING PASSENGERS TO KNOW 11 SAN HOSE AND THE OAKLAND AREA, AND TYING UP A MILE AND A HALF 12 LONG CONTAINER TRAIN FOR THE GRADE CROSSING ACCIDENT TIES UP A 13 LOT OF REAL ESTATE AND SHUTS DOWN THE AREA. SO, PLEASE LOOK AT 14 15 IT AGAIN. THANK YOU. 16 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DON CECIL. 17 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. 18 19 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON COMMISSIONERS. I'M LISTENING TO WHAT 20 21 EXACTLY WHAT I IMAGINED LOS ANGELES WANTS TO HEAR TODAY. AND THAT IS A BUNCH OF COUNTIES AND A BUNCH OF CITIES FIGHTING 22 AMONGST EACH OTHER. I WANT TO THANK OUR COMMISSIONERS, 23 COMMISSIONER CANEPA, COMMISSIONER PAPAN. I WANT TO APPLAUD 24 STAFF'S APPROACH TO THIS. WE ARE ALL GOING TO GET SOMETHING,



AND WE'RE ALL GOING TO BE DISAPPOINTED IN SOMETHING WE DON'T 1 GET. BUT THAT'S HOW YOU COMPETE FOR THIS FEDERAL FUNDING. THIS 2 IS A BRILLIANT STRATEGY, AND I DON'T GIVE THAT VERY LIGHTLY. 3 WE'RE NOT ALL GOING TO GET EVERYTHING. THERE ARE \$11 BILLION 4 5 WORTH OF GRADE SEPARATIONS THAT WE HAVE TO COMPLETE ACCORDING TO THE CALTRAIN SERVICE DIVISION. THEY'RE ALL A PRIORITY, BUT 6 WHICH ONES ARE READY TO GO. WE NEED TO EXTEND THE 101 EXPRESS 7 8 LANE FROM 380 TO THE SAN FRANCISCO BORDER WE NEED 1801 VERY ONE FROM THE PORT WE HAVE A MULTI-MODAL TRADE COMMUTER RAIL 9 10 CORRIDOR AND THAT NEEDS INVESTMENT IN OUR PRIORITIES. THANK YOU. 11 12 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS RUDY 13 14 GONZALEZ. 15 16 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION. I WISH YOU COULD SEE US ON CAMERA I'M SITTING WITH 17 THE MASONS, CEMENT, SHEET METAL, PIPE FITTERS, PLUMBERS, UNION 18 WORKERS. I AM ALSO HERE FROM COUNCIL 16 MY BROTHERS ALL OF US 19 TAKING TIME OUT FROM OUR DAY TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE THE 20 21 LEADERSHIP FROM MTC AND THE STAFF DEDICATION TO PUTTING TOGETHER A THOUGHTFUL PLAN. WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF 22 WORK FOR OUR MEMBERS, AND FOR SO MANY PEOPLE IN COMMUNITIES 23

THAT ARE LOOKING FOR PATHWAYS AND PIPELINES TO GOOD JOBS WE

APPRECIATE YOU MAINTAINING SUPPORT FOR DTX AND ALL OF THESE

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- 1 PROGRAMS, FRANKLY, NO MATTER HOW YOU FALL ON THE AMENDED
- 2 MEASURE, WE THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AND STRATEGIC TO KEEP
- 3 DTX AT THE FOREFRONT OF ALL OF THESE PLANS TO IMPROVE TRANSIT
- 4 AND REDUCE OVERALL EMISSIONS AND GET PEOPLE BACK TO WORK. SO,
- 5 THANK YOU.

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- 7 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS RICH
- 8 HEDGES. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF.

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- 10 SPEAKER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S GOOD TO HEAR TODAY FROM ALL
- 11 MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS AND ORGANIZED LABOR. I WANT TO TELL
- 12 YOU I SUPPORT THE LETTER OF SAMCEDA, JACKIE SPHERE, VTA AND
- 13 OTHERS I AM THANKFUL FOR THE GREAT SEPARATION, TO BE INCLUDED
- 14 BUT WOULD URGE US TO TRY TO FIND MORE MONEYS FOR GRADE
- 15 SEPARATIONS. IT'S IMPORTANT THE INTERCHANGE OF THE 101
- 16 WOODSIDE INTERCHANGE AND WOULD URGE US TO FIND MONEY FOR THAT
- 17 AND I'M APPRECIATIVE OF CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION AND MOVEMENT
- 18 OF CALTRAIN INTO THE SAN FRANCISCO TRANSIT CENTER, I WOULD
- 19 LIKE TO EXPRESS THE NEED FOR VALLEY LINK. VALLEY LINK WILL
- 20 CONNECT MOST OF OUR TRANSIT AGENCIES IN THE BAY AREA, AS WELL
- 21 AS CALTRAIN, THROUGH THE DUMBARTON BRIDGE, AND I KNOW THAT'S
- 22 WAY IN THE FUTURE, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO BRING VALLEY LINK
- 23 INTO THE BAY AREA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS CHRIS 1 2 SNYDER. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. 3 SPEAKER: CAN YOU HEAR ME? 4 5 CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. 6 7 8 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. I'M CHRIS SNYDER DIRECTOR FOR THE OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL THREE I'M THANKING STAFF FOR THE 9 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH WE SUPPORT THE SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING 10 TRADES AND THE COMMITMENT TO KEEP DTX FRONT AND FOREMOST AND 11 ALSO CALLING MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE BUILDING TRADES IN 12 THE EAST BAY CENTRAL VALLEY THIS MEANS A LOT TO ALL OF US. AND 13 GETTING VALLEY LINK ON THE PROJECT LIST WOULD MEAN A LOT TO 14 15 US. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR SUPPORT OF VALLEY 16 LINK AND THE WHOLE PROCESS. APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. 17 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DAVE 18 CAMPBELL, BIKE EAST BAY. 19 20 SPEAKER: DAVE CAMPBELL ADVOCACY DIRECTOR OF BIKE EAST BAY 21 AGAIN. HERE WANT TO APPLAUD STAFF FOR YOUR STRONG LEADERSHIP 22 AND FIRM EXPLANATION ABOUT HOW THE PROCESS WORKS. BIKE EAST 23 BAY, WE HAVE BEEN MEETING WITH VALLEY LINK SINCE EVERYONE IS 24 TALKING ABOUT VALLEY IS LINK AND THAT'S IN MY JURISDICTION. WE



- 1 HAVE BEEN MEETING WITH THEM AND HAVE ALL SORTS OF OUESTIONS
- 2 THAT WE'RE STILL WAITING TO HEAR BACK FROM THEM. LIKE, HOW,
- 3 WHERE ARE THE STATIONS GOING TO BE? HOW ARE YOU GOING TO BIKE
- 4 AND WALK TO THE STATION? WHAT KIND OF FEEDER SERVICE IS GOING
- 5 TO BE PLANNED HOW FREQUENT TO THE STATIONS, HOW MUCH PARKING
- 6 IS GOING TO BE PROVIDED. WE MET WITH THEM A YEAR AND A HALF
- 7 AGO AND DIDN'T HAVE ANSWER TO THOSE QUESTIONS. I DON'T KNOW
- 8 HOW THIS PROJECT IS READY FOR ANYTHING BUT I TRUST DIRECTOR
- 9 MCMILLAN'S EXPERIENCE AND WISDOM ON THAT. MEANWHILE I'M
- 10 FIGHTING WITH THE TRI-VALLEY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL TO GET
- 11 GOOD BUS SERVICE IN THE TRI-VALLEY BETWEEN LIVERMORE
- 12 PLEASANTON DUBLIN AND SAN RAMON AND THAT VALLEY LINK IS FAKING
- 13 ALL THE MONEY FROM THAT PROGRAM AND GETTING ESSENTIALLY PEOPLE
- 14 TO THEIR DESTINATION. THANK YOU.

16 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT SPEAKER.

- 18 SPEAKER: KEVIN SHERIDAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR VALLEY LINK. I
- 19 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE DISCUSSION TODAY I THINK IT'S
- 20 IMPORTANT FOR VALLEY LINK TO BE ON THE LIST BUT I BELIEVE IN
- 21 LISTENING TO MS. MCMILLAN THAT SHE DID ACCURATELY DESCRIBE THE
- 22 CIG PROCESS AND THAT'S ALL THE MORE REASON WHY I THINK IT SEND
- 23 THE RIGHT SIGNAL TO FTA IF WE DO HAVE THE PROJECT ON THE LIST
- 24 BECAUSE I TOO HAD TALKED TO THE REGION NINE DIRECTOR NUMEROUS
- 25 TIMES AND WE COULD ACTUALLY CALL AND REQUEST TO ENTER INTO

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- 1 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT RIGHT AFTER I GET OFF THIS CALL TODAY BUT
- 2 WE HAVEN'T DONE THAT BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE
- 3 MINIMIZING THE RISK TO MOVE FORWARD BUT WE ARE AT THAT TIME
- 4 PROJECT COMPLETE WHERE WE COULD ENTER PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
- 5 WITHIN THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS AND START THAT TWO-YEAR CLOCK. I
- 6 THINK IT'S ONE OF REASONS TO CONSIDER WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO
- 7 GET THE PROJECT ON THE LIST AND I AM COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH
- 8 STAFF OF MIRRORS IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

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- 10 CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHRIS SNYDER. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU
- 11 HAVE ONE MINUTE.

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13 SPEAKER: I BELIEVE I ALREADY SPOKE.

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- 15 CLERK OF THE BOARD: OKAY. THANK YOU. ONE FINAL HAND, BIANCA.
- 16 PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF.

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- 18 SPEAKER: HI. I'M BIANCA LIEU WITH THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO. I
- 19 WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU THE ADMISSION FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND
- 20 CONSIDERATION OF THE SOUTH LYNDON AND SCOTT STREET GRADE
- 21 SEPARATION PROJECT WE HAVE HAD EXTENSIVE OUTREACH IN THE
- 22 COMMUNITY VERY SUPPORTIVE OF MOVING THIS PROJECT FORWARD AND
- 23 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. THANK YOU.



- 1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NO ADDITIONAL RAISED HANDS, MR.
- 2 CHAIR.

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- 4 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE
- 5 APOLOGIZE FOR CUTTING SHORT PUBLIC COMMENT TIME. BUT WE HAVE
- 6 TO GET THROUGH THIS ITEM. I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK OUR STAFF
- 7 HAS DONE TO PUT FORWARD WHAT THEY FEEL IS IMPORTANT FOR THE
- 8 REGION, AND I ASK TO GIVE VALLEY LINK A FIGHTING CHANCE TO BE
- 9 COMPETITIVE ESPECIALLY IF IT DOESN'T COME AT THE COST OF
- 10 COMPETITIVENESS. WHAT I SEE HERE IS IT'S ON VALLEY LINK TO BE
- 11 COMPETITIVE TO DO THE FTA PROCESS AND IF YOU DO THAT YOU WILL
- 12 BE ABLE TO BE COMPETITIVE. AGAIN I SEE WHAT COMMISSIONER MILEY
- 13 IS ASKING FOR AND I BELIEVE THAT'S REASONABLE BUT GIVEN THE
- 14 DIALOGUE AND COMMITMENT WE HAVE HAD AT THE COMMISSION MULTIPLE
- 15 TIMES AT VALLEY LINK. I WANT TO MAKE THOSE COMMENTS AND
- 16 COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ, AND COMMISSIONER MILEY AND
- 17 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF, FOR PROCEDURAL PERSPECTIVE, COMMISSIONERS
- 18 BECAUSE THERE WAS A SUBSTITUTE MOTION, WE HAVE TO ASK IF THERE
- 19 IS DISCUSSION ON THAT, WHETHER THAT BECOMES THE MOTION, AND
- 20 THEN IF THERE IS -- THERE HAS TO BE A VOTE ON THAT AND IF
- 21 THERE IS NOT SUPPORT, THAT WE GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL MOTION.
- 22 AND COUNSEL I WANT TO CONFIRM THE PROCEDURES TO MAKE SURE
- 23 THEY'RE CONSISTENT WITH WHAT THE PROCESS.



- 1 KATHLEEN KANE: THAT'S RIGHT. THE COMMISSIONS WOULD FIRST
- 2 ANSWER THE QUESTION WHETHER THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION SHOULD
- 3 BECOME THE MOTION AND SO THERE CAN BE DISCUSSION ON THAT ISSUE
- 4 RIGHT NOW. AND THEN WE WOULD TAKE A VOTE ON THAT QUESTION AND
- 5 THEN DEPENDING ON THE OUTCOME OF THAT VOTE, THERE WOULD EITHER
- 6 BE A VOTE ON THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION OR IF THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION
- 7 FAILED THEN IT WOULD BECOME A VOTE ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION AS
- 8 POSED. AND I AM HERE TO REFEREE IF YOU NEED IT.

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- 10 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WE'RE SO FORTUNATE TO HAVE MANY
- 11 ATTORNEYS ON THIS COMMISSION. WE'RE IN GOOD HANDS. JUST TO
- 12 CLARIFY, THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER SCHAFF AND
- 13 COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ WAS TO ADVANCE THE RECOMMENDATION TO
- 14 STAFF. THE MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER
- 15 MILEY WAS THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH INCLUSION OF VALLEY
- 16 LINK AND THAT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SPERING. JUST TO
- 17 PROVIDE CLARITY. COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ.

- 19 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE
- 20 PUBLIC COMMENTERS. SO, I WAS -- SUPERVISOR MILEY, I THINK THAT
- 21 YOU HAVE HEARD THAT THERE IS A LOT OF SUPPORT FOR VALLEY LINK
- 22 ON THIS COMMISSION TODAY, AS WELL AS THERE HAS BEEN IN THE
- 23 PAST, WE WOULD VOTE TO UNANIMOUSLY HAVE IT IN PLANNED BAY AREA
- 24 AS ONE OF THE PRIORITY PROJECTS AS YOU BROUGHT UP, BUT THERE
- 25 IS ALSO SORT OF A LOT OF -- AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, IT'S



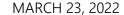
- 1 DIFFICULT TO KIND OF PUT UP SOMETHING THAT FEELS A LITTLE
- 2 BUILT LIKE A LITMUS TEST BEFORE THE PROJECT, AND THERE IS A
- 3 LOT OF CONCERN WE WANT TO BE RESPECTFUL OF STAFF'S EXPERTISE
- 4 ON THIS ESPECIALLY GIVEN OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S TIME IN
- 5 WASHINGTON. AND, I WAS WONDERING IF WE COULD MAYBE TRY AND
- 6 FIND A COMPROMISE WAY FORWARD HERE WHICH KIND OF SORT OF WHERE
- 7 WE CAN ALL GET ON THE SAME PAGE AND WE WOULD -- AND SO WHAT I
- 8 WOULD -- ONE THAT I WOULD MAKE IF THIS WOULD WORK FOR YOU IS
- 9 TO TAKE STAFF RECOMMENDATION THAT WE ARE SUPPORTIVE ADDING
- 10 VALLEY LINK TO THE CIT PROCESS AND ONCE VALLEY LINK HAS BEEN
- 11 APPROVED TO BE IN THE CIT PROCESS WE WOULD REVISIT THE BIL
- 12 PRIORITIES TO ADD VALLEY LINK TO THOSE REGIONAL GROUND
- 13 PRIORITIES.

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- 15 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ, WAS
- 16 THAT IT? ANY OTHER QUESTIONS BEFORE WE PROCEED?
- 18 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YO YEAH. NO, THAT WAS IT. I WANT TO
- 19 TRY TO FIND A COMPROMISE HERE. I WOULD PREFER US AS A
- 20 COMMISSION NOT TO HAVE TO VOTE UP OR DOWN ON VALLEY LINK, WHEN
- 21 I THINK THAT'S NOT WHAT A LOT OF PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO DO.
- 23 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: UNDERSTOOD. AND I KNOW THAT WAS
- 24 DIRECTED TO THE MAKER OF THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION.

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1 NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YEAH.

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- 3 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: BEFORE WE DO THAT, LET ME ASK
- 4 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF, DO YOU HAVE COMMENTS AT THIS TIME
- 5 COMMISSIONER.

- 7 LIBBY SCHAFF: SCHAFF NICK AND I ARE THINKING THE SAME WAY AS
- 8 THE MAKER OF THE MOTION, I WANT TO EXTEND TO SUPERVISOR MILEY.
- 9 SUPERVISOR MILEY, I HAVE NOT SEEN A SUBSTITUTE MOTION AT MTC
- 10 SINCE I WAS A BRAND-NEW COMMISSIONER, AND I TRIED DOING A
- 11 SUBSTITUTE MOTION MYSELF, AND THEN GOT A QUICK EDUCATION ABOUT
- 12 HOW THING WORK A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY AT MTC, AND I DO THINK
- 13 THAT WE HAVE DISTINGUISHED OURSELVES, AS A COMMISSION, BY
- 14 REACHING CONSENSUS, BY TRUSTING OUR STAFF. AND I DO, AGAIN, I
- 15 WOULD BE WILLING TO AMEND THE MOTION, IF YOU WOULD WITHDRAW
- 16 YOUR SUBSTITUTE MOTION, WHICH WOULD BE NECESSARY TO ADD VALLEY
- 17 LINK TO OUR REGIONAL GRANT PRIORITIES PENDING CONFIRMATION OF
- 18 FTA APPROVAL INTO CIG PROJECT DELIVERY. AND, I WANT TO -- AND
- 19 MAYBE WE NEED DIRECTOR MCMILLAN TO EXPLAIN THIS ONE MORE TIME.
- 20 BECAUSE WHAT I UNDERSTAND IS THAT THERE IS, AT LEAST,
- 21 CONFUSION, I KNOW DIRECTOR MCMILLAN IS VERY CONFIDENT THAT
- 22 CURRENTLY VALLEY LINK -- IT'S NOT AN ISSUE OF COMPETITIVENESS,
- 23 BUT IT'S NOT EVEN ELIGIBLE, IF I'M UNDERSTANDING YOU
- 24 CORRECTLY, DIRECTOR MCMILLAN, BECAUSE IT HAS NOT RECEIVED ITS
- 25 FTA APPROVAL INTO THE CIG PROJECT DELIVERY? AND, SO, IF WE CAN



- 1 CLARIFY THAT, OR CORRECT THAT, OR FIX THAT, I THINK WE WOULD
- 2 ALL SUPPORT HAVING VALLEY LINK ON THE LIST OF PRIORITY
- 3 PROJECTS FOR THE FEDERAL GRANTS. CAN I, THROUGH THE CHAIR, ASK
- 4 DIRECTOR MCMILLAN TO CLARIFY THIS ISSUE OF ELIGIBILITY, AND
- 5 ALSO TO COMMENT ON WHETHER OR NOT THIS AMENDMENT TO STAFF'S
- 6 RECOMMENDATION ADDRESSES HER CONCERNS? AGAIN, PENDING
- 7 CONFIRMATION OF FTA APPROVAL INTO CIG PROJECT DELIVERY.

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- 9 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SCHAFF. LET'S
- 10 HAVE THERESE ANSWER THAT. AND DO YOU WANT TO GO TO
- 11 COMMISSIONER LICCARDO. AND WE WANT TO GIVE TIME FOR RESPONSE.

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- 13 THERESE MCMILLAN: SURE. AND THIS IS JUST A FACTUAL
- 14 CLASSIFICATION. IN ORDER TO GET CI G FUNDING TO ACTUALLY GET
- 15 IT, YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE CIG PIPELINE AND PRESCRIBED
- 16 STEPS. NO GETTING AROUND THAT, AND THE FIRST GATE IS PROJECT
- 17 DELIVER TO GET INTO THE PIPELINE. THE PRESENTATION IS CORRECT
- 18 THAT THEY'RE INTENDING TO MAKE A REQUEST TO FDA IN FOUR MONTH
- 19 TO THE GET THAT APPROVAL FOR PROJECT DELIVERY AND AT THAT
- 20 POINT, COMMISSIONER SCHAFF, AND IF FTA MAKES THAT APPROVAL,
- 21 THEN WE COULD PROCEED A PACE. SO, YOU COULD INCLUDE IT NOW,
- 22 BUT WITH THAT QUALIFIER, THAT IT IS PENDING ELIGIBILITY VIA
- 23 FTA'S APPROVAL, AS YOU STATED.



ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION, 1 2 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? 3 LIBBY SCHAFF: I FEEL LIKE IT DOES. AND, SO, YOU KNOW, THAT IS, 4 SUPERVISOR MILEY, THE OFFER, SO IF YOU WANTED TO WITHDRAW YOUR 5 SUBSTITUTE MOTION, WE WOULD AMEND THE MOTION ACCORDINGLY, AS 6 7 STATED. 8 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SCHAFF. THEN 9 10 COMMISSION LICCARDO THEN COMMISSIONER MILEY. AND THANK YOU FOR TESTING ME. THESE SUBSTITUTE MOTIONS. 11 12 SAM LICCARDO: WE GET THEM ALL THE TIME, SUBSTITUTE MOTIONS. 13 IT'S A GOOD TIME. FIRST I WANTED TO ECHO, I APPRECIATE THE 14 15 COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ, VICE CHAIR, AND THE 16 SUGGESTED COMPROMISE. I THINK THIS'S A GOOD PATH. FOR SEVERAL 17 WEEKS, WE HAVE ALL BEEN TALKING ABOUT HOW WE DRAW PRINCIPLE LINES, PRINCIPLE DISTINCTIONS BECAUSE WE ALL HAVE PROJECTS 18 THAT WE WOULD LOVE TO GET ON THIS LIST THAT AREN'T THERE. AND 19 THE DISTINCTION THAT HAS BEEN ROUTINELY DRAWN AROUND THIS CIG 20 21 WAS PROJECTS WHETHER THAT HAVE FFGA ARE IN THE PIPELINE AND LETTER OF COMMITMENT, AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IF THIS 22 DISTINCTION FALLS, WE WILL LIKELY HAVE A MAD RUSH WITH OTHER 23 PROJECTS, AS WELL. AND, SO, ANYWAY, I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT 24

SOMETHING THAT SAYS IF THEY GET INTO THE PIPELINE WE'RE ALL



- 1 THERE. I UNDERSTAND THE IMPERATIVE THAT SUPERVISOR MILEY HAS
- 2 RAISED TO BE ABLE TO GIVE THIS PROJECT A FIGHTING CHANCE AND I
- 3 APPRECIATE HIS ADVOCACY. I JUST THINK WE HAD A PRINCIPLED
- 4 APPROACH AND A LOT OF US TOOK STEPS BACK ON OUR OWN PROJECTS
- 5 BECAUSE WE AGREED THAT REGIONALLY THE BEST THING TO DO WAS TOS
- 6 HAVE THAT PRINCIPLES APPROACH. I APPRECIATE THE PROPOSED
- 7 MODIFICATION.

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9 CLERK OF THE BOARD: I THINK WE MAY HAVE LOST THE CHAIR AGAIN.

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11 SAM LICCARDO: WE DID.

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13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR, WOULD YOU LIKE TO STEP IN?

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15 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I'M BACK. SORRY ABOUT THAT.

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17 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE WE GO.

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- 19 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I BELIEVE IT'S COMMISSIONER SPERING
- 20 FINAL COMMENT THEN WE'LL GO TO COMMISSIONER MILEY.

- 22 JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE RECOMMENDATION
- 23 HERE, AND I WILL SUPPORT IT. YOU KNOW, FOR ME, I JUST FELT
- 24 VERY STRONGLY, VALLEY LINK HAS TO BE MENTIONED IN THIS
- 25 DOCUMENT, AND IF WE CAN DO IT IN THIS WAY, I THINK THAT'S A



- 1 MAJOR STEP FORWARD FOR THIS PROJECT. SO, COMMISSIONER MILEY, I
- 2 THINK THIS IS A GOOD COMPROMISE. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
- 3 COMMISSION BEING SO SPLIT ON AN ISSUE. BECAUSE THIS'S WHAT'S
- 4 GOING TO HAPPEN WITH BOTH THESE VOTES. I THINK THAT A GOOD
- 5 STEP FORWARD. YOU WILL HAVE MY COMMITMENT AND MANY OTHER
- 6 COMMISSIONERS THAT WE WILL ADVANCE VALLEY LINK AS MUCH AS WE
- 7 CAN THROUGH THIS WHOLE PROCESS. HOPEFULLY THIS IS A GOOD
- 8 COMPROMISE AND I WANT TO THANK THE CHAIR AND MAYOR SCHAFF WHO
- 9 ALWAYS HAS GOOD IDEAS.
- 11 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU COMMISSIONER
- 12 SPERING. COMMISSIONER MILEY, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.
- 14 NATHAN MILEY: YES. THANK YOU. IF I COULD HAVE CLARITY FROM
- 15 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF ON WHAT WOULD BE THE MOTION SO I CAN
- 16 REALLY MAKE SURE I'M CLEAR ON IT BEFORE I DECIDE TO WITHDRAW?
- 18 LIBBY SCHAFF: THAT WE APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION WITH THE
- 19 ADDITIONAL OF VALLEY LINK TO OUR REGIONAL GRANT PRIORITIES
- 20 PENDING CONFIRMATION OF FTA APPROVAL INTO CIG PROJECT
- 21 DELIVERY. AND IF CHAIR MCMILLAN CAN TELL ME THAT THAT
- 22 ADDRESSES STAFF'S CONCERNS AND IS THE PROPER LANGUAGE?
- 24 THERESE MCMILLAN: YES.

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NATHAN MILEY: OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. BECAUSE, 1 2 I APPRECIATE MAYOR SCHAFF. I HAVE KNOWN LIBBY FOR A LONG TIME. 3 I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL AND LIBBY WAS THERE, AND LIBBY IS A CONSTITUENT IN MY DISTRICT AND WE HAVE WORKED TOGETHER FOR 4 5 MANY, MANY DECADES AND BEING NEW TO MTC, SOME OF YOU KNOW ME, SOME OF YOU DON'T. IS I'M NOT HERE TO DISRUPT THE APPLE CART 6 OR DISRUPT STAFF OR DISRUPT THE PROCESS THAT'S NOT MY INTENT 7 8 BUT I DO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY MY DISTRICT RUNS FROM OAKLAND TO PLEASANTON, AND I REPRESENT, AS A COMMISSIONER 1.7 MILLION 9 PEOPLE FROM ALAMEDA COUNTY. SO, I HAVE RESPONSIBLE TO ALL OF 10 THEM TO SPEAK AND REPRESENT THEIR VOICES AND A NUMBER OF FOLKS 11 HAVE REACHED OUT TO ME IN REGARDS TO VALLEY LINK. SO I NEEDED 12 TO REALLY PUSH THIS ITEM EXTREMELY HARD TODAY. AND, SO, I DO 13 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT AS A RESULT OF ALL OF THIS 14 15 CONVERSATION, AT THE COMMISSION MEETING TODAY, WE HAVE BEEN 16 COMING -- I HAVE GOTTEN TO A COMFORT LEVEL BASED ON WHAT COMMISSIONER SCHAFF HAS STATED, AND WHAT COMMISSIONER SPERING 17 HAS ALSO, THAT I COULD ACCEPT THAT COMPROMISE AND WITH THAT 18 BEING SAID, I WILL WITHDRAW MY SUBSTITUTE MOTION. 19 20 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER MILEY. VICE 21 CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ, YOUR HAND IS RAISED. DO YOU NEED TO ADD 22 ANYTHING ELSE? OR CAN WE GO BACK TO THE MAKER OF THE MOTION 23

NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: SORRY. THAT WAS A LEG LEGACY HAND.

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2	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. COMMISSIONS ARE SCHAFF DO
3	YOU WANT TO MAKE THE MOTION?
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5	LIBBY SCHAFF: THE MOTION IS TO SUPPORT STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION
6	WITH THE ADDITION OF VALLEY LINK TO MTC'S REGIONAL GRANT
7	PRIORITIES PENDING CLARIFICATION OF FTA APPROVAL INTO CIG
8	PROJECT DELIVERY. THAT IS THE AMENDED MOTION.
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10	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YOU DID THAT VERY WELL, COMMISSIONER.
11	VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ, YOU SECOND THE MOTION?
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13	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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15	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONERS FOR A ROBUST
16	CONVERSATION AND THANK YOU TO STAFF FOR PRESENTING THIS AND
17	BEING FLEXIBLE AND ADDING TO THE CONVERSATION. I THINK THIS IS
18	A GOOD OUTCOME FOR THE REGION. AT THIS POINT, KIMBERLY SEEING
19	NO FURTHER COMMENT OR DISCUSSION. LET'S PROCEED WITH THE ROLL
20	CALL.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR PEDROZA?
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24	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES.



1	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?
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3	NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR: YES.
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5	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?
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7	MARGARET ABE-KOGA: AYE.
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9	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER AHN?
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11	EDDIE AHN: YES.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CANEPA?
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15	DAVID CANEPA: YES.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ?
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19	CINDY CHAVEZ: YES.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CONNOLY? IS ABSENT.
22	COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?
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24	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.





1	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	FLEMING?
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3	VICTORIA FLEMING: Y	MES.	
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5	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	GLOVER?
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7	FEDERAL D. GLOVER:	YES.	
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9	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	LICCARDO?
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11	SAM LICCARDO: YES.		
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	MILEY?
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15	NATHAN MILEY: YES.		
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	PAPAN?
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19	GINA PAPAN: YES.		
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD:	COMMISSIONER	RABBIT?
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23	DAVID RABBIT: YES.		
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CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER RONEN? IS ABSENT. 1 2 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? 3 LIBBY SCHAFF: AYE. 4 5 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER SPERING? 6 7 8 JAMES P. SPERING: YES. 9 10 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER WORTH? 11 AMY R. WORTH: AYE. 12 13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL 14 15 MEMBERS PRESENT. 16 ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONERS. AT THIS 17 18 POINT WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED TO ITEM 15. THIS IS PUBLIC COMMENT. I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO LIST ANY ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER 19 PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THE ITEM AT INFO AT BAY AREA 20 METRO@INFO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. INTO THE RECORD. 21 22 23 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE WAS ONE WRITTEN CORRESPOND FROM ALIX SMITH THAT HAS BEEN POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND I SEE NO 24

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.



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2	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM 16 ADJOURNMENT
3	TO THE NEXT MTC MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY APRIL 27TH,
4	2022 REMOTE OR BY WEBCAST. COMMISSIONERS I'M GOING TO BE
5	STEPPING OUT FOR A FEW MINUTES VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ WILL BE
6	CHAIRING THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS.
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8	CLERK OF THE BOARD: BEFORE YOU STEP AWAY GIVEN THE WORK IS
9	SCHEDULED TO START AT 130 I'M PREPARED TO SEND AN E-MAIL TO
10	THOSE PANELISTS TO LET THEM KNOW IT'S DELAYED UNTIL ABOUT
11	2:00. DOES THAT SOUND ABOUT RIGHT.
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13	ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, KIMBERLY.
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15	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU.
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17	KATHLEEN KANE: JUST TO NOTE WE'RE PUTTING UP A NOTICE ON THE
18	WEB SITE AS WELL SO PEOPLE LOGGING IN THROUGHOUT PORTAL SHOULD
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	SEE IT. [ADJOURNED]



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