

**METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION**  
**Meeting Transcript**



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1 **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

2 **BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY**

3 **WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022 9:40 AM**

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. MY NAME IS  
6 ALFREDO PEDROZA CHAIR OF THE BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY, BATA  
7 ALONG WITH VICE CHAIR NICK JOSEFOWITZ. IF WE COULD PLEASE PLAY  
8 THE BROADCASTING ANNOUNCEMENT. [RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES  
9 ANNOUNCEMENT] THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A HYBRID  
10 MEETING A ZOOM WEBINAR LINK HAS BEEN PROVIDED AS WELL AS  
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12 BEING WEBCAST ON THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
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23 CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND  
24 ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE. IN



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1 ORDER TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP  
2 TO DATE.

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4 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM ONE  
5 ON THE GENDER. ROLL CALL.

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7 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAIR PEDROZA?

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9 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** HERE.

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11 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?

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13 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** HE STEPPED OUT MOMENTARILY.

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15 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. ABE-KOGA?

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17 **MARGARET ABE-KOGA:** HERE.

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19 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** AHN?

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21 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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23 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CANEPA? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ?

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25 **CINDY CHAVEZ:** HERE.



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2 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER CONNOLLY?

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4 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? DUTRA-  
7 VERNACI DO THE HERE.

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9 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER EL-TAWANSY? IS ABSENT.  
10 COMMISSIONER FLEMING? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER GIACOPINI?

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12 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER GLOVER?

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16 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?

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20 **SAM LICCARDO:** PRESENT.

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22 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** MILEY?

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24 **NATHAN MILEY:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** PAPAN?

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3 **GINA PAPAN:** HERE.

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5 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** RABBIT?

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7 **DAVID RABBIT:** HERE.

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9 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** RONEN? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?

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11 **LIBBY SCHAFF:** HERE.

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13 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER SPERING? IS ABSENT.

14 COMMISSIONER WORTH?

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16 **AMY R. WORTH:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A QUORUM.

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. FOR

21 THAT. LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM TWO, CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT. I HAVE

22 NONE TODAY. WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED TO ITEM 3A CLOSED SESSION.

23 BEFORE WE DO THAT, WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT

24 OPPORTUNITIES. I'LL ASK THE CLERK IF WE RECEIVED ANY ITEM --

25 OR ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH OUR CLOSED SESSION ITEM.



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1 IS IF WE HAVE ANYONE THAT WISHES TO ADDRESS THE AUTHORITY,  
2 THIS IS YOUR TIME.

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4 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN  
5 WRITING FOR THIS ITEM AND I SEE NO MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH  
6 THEIR HAND RAISED.

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8 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE DON'T HAVE ANYONE IN THE  
9 BOARDROOM EITHER WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED TO ITEM 3B CLOSED  
10 SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.  
11 COMMISSIONERS BEAR WITH ME MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT  
12 TO 94956.9A SUBSECTION D OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9 WITH  
13 COUNSEL REGARDING TOLL BRIDGE LITIGATION WITH SAN FRANCISCO  
14 SUPERIOR COURT CASE NUMBER CGC-17562613 CONSOLIDATED WITH THE  
15 SAN FRANCISCO SUPERIOR COURT CASE NUMBER CGC-1856084.  
16 COMMISSIONERS, PLEASE USE THE ZOOM DETAILS THAT ARE PROVIDED  
17 BY KIMBERLY WARD FOR THIS CLOSED SESSION AND AT THE END OF  
18 CLOSED SESSION RETURN TO ZOOM SO WE CAN PROCEED TO THE BALANCE  
19 OF THE AGENDA FOR THE REMAINDER OF TODAY'S MEETING. WE'RE  
20 GOING TO TROUBLESHOOT THE AUDIO. THANK YOU FOR BARING WITH US.  
21 OUR IT TEAM IS WORKING ON THIS AS WE SPEAK. THANK YOU  
22 COMMISSIONERS WE'RE GOING TO THE CLAREMONT ROOM WE DON'T NEED  
23 TO TAKE ANY DEVICES. KIMBERLY FOR THOSE ATTENDING VIRTUALLY  
24 REMIND THEM WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO, AGAIN.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO RECESS THIS  
2 ZOOM SESSION, YOU WILL NEED TO RESIGN INTO YOUR ZOOM LINK. SO,  
3 AGAIN, COMMISSIONER, PLEASE LEAVE THIS ONE AND GO TO THE  
4 CLOSED SESSION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, PLEASE GO AHEAD AND  
5 LEAVE THE ZOOM, AND BUT WILL SIGN BACK IN MOMENTARILY. THANK  
6 YOU. [CLOSED SESSION]

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8 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE ARE TRANSITIONING BACK  
9 INTO THE BOARDROOM. GIVE US A FEW MOMENTS AND WE'LL GET  
10 STARTED.

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12 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE CONTINUING TO FIND  
13 WAYS TO REDUCE FEEDBACK. AT THIS POINT WE'RE BACK FROM CLOSED  
14 SESSION. MOVE TO OUR NEXT ITEM. COUNSEL DID WE HAVE ANY  
15 REPORTABLE ACTION?

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17 **KATHLEEN KANE:** THE BOARD MET BUT DIDN'T HAVE REPORTABLE  
18 ACTION.

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO THE NEXT ITEM  
21 ON OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. ITEMS 4A THROUGH 4B. HAVE WE RECEIVED  
22 PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH OUR CONSENT CALENDAR?

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH  
2 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED  
3 ON THIS ITEM.

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** COMMISSIONERS, ANY QUESTIONS ON OUR  
6 CONSENT CALENDARS? IF NONE, I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR  
7 APPROVAL.

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9 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** DUTRA-VERNACI MOVES THE ITEM.

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11 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** WE GOT IT. WE HAVE A FIRST BY  
12 COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI. SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WORTH. ROLL  
13 CALL VOTE, PLEASE.

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15 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAIR PEDROZA?

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17 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** YES.

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19 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?

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21 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR:** YES.

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23 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER ABE-KOGA?

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25 **MARGARET ABE-KOGA:** AYE.





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2 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** AHN?

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4 **EDDIE AHN:** YES.

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6 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CANEPA? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ?

7 IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER CONNOLLY?

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9 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** AYE.

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11 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI?

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

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15 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER FLEMING?

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17 **VICTORIA FLEMING:** YES.

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19 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER GLOVER?

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21 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** YES.

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23 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?

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25 **SAM LICCARDO:** AYE.



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2 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER MILEY? IS ABSENT.

3 COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

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5 **GINA PAPAN:** AYE.

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7 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER RABBIT?

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9 **DAVID RABBIT:** AYE.

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11 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER RONEN? IS ABSENT.

12 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER SPERING? IS

13 ABSENT. COMMISSIONER WORTH?

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15 **AMY R. WORTH:** AYE.

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17 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY

18 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU COMMISSIONERS. WE'RE GOING

21 TO PROCEED TO ITEM FIVE, PUBLIC COMMENT. I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO

22 RECEIVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AT [INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV](mailto:INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV)

23 BY 5:00 P.M.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING. WE  
2 HAVE ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ALETA DUPREE.

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4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. AS I SPEAK GENERALLY, I HOPE TO BE BACK IN  
5 THE BAY AREA SOON. HOW DO WE BUILD THE BEST BATA THAT WE CAN.  
6 I UNDERSTAND TODAY IS A QUIET MEETING. I GUESS IT'S THE CALM  
7 BEFORE THE STORM NEXT MONTH WE'RE GOING TO WORK ON BUDGET I'M  
8 LOOK FORWARD TO THAT. BUILDING THE BEST BATA MEANS BUILDING  
9 THE SAFEST BATA AND THE MOST USER FRIENDLY BATA. AND I THINK  
10 WE'RE A LEADER IN THIS AREA WE WANT TO TIGHTEN UP OUR  
11 INTERFACES SO THE PUBLIC FROM WHEREVER THEY ARE CAN  
12 PARTICIPATE. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE OFFER A SEAMLESS  
13 EXPERIENCE ESPECIALLY AS WE CONTINUE ON WITH ALL ELECTRONIC  
14 TOLLING MUCH BETTER THAN HANDING MONEY OVER INTO THE BOOTHS  
15 WITH PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH IT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** I SEE NO ADDITIONAL HANDS RAISED.

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19 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** NEXT ITEM IS ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT  
20 MEETING OF THE BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD  
21 WEDNESDAY JUNE 22ND AND ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL BE  
22 DULY NOTED. THANK YOU ALL COMMISSIONERS. WE HAVE BAY AREA  
23 HEADQUARTERS AUTHORITY NEXT. [ADJOURNED] METROPOLITAN  
24 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BAY AREA HEADQUARTERS AUTHORITY.

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21 ORDER TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP  
22 TO DATE.

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24 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM ONE, ROLL CALL.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAIR PEDROZA?

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3 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** HEIR.

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5 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ? COMMISSIONER ABE-  
6 KOGA?

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8 **MARGARET ABE-KOGA:** HERE.

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10 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAVEZ IS ABSENT. COMMISSION ARE GLOVER?

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12 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER WORTH? IS HERE.

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16 **AMY R. WORTH:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM TWO OUR CONSENT  
21 CALENDAR, THIS INCLUDES ITEMS 2A THROUGH 2B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
22 THIS ITEM?

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH  
2 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED  
3 ON THIS ITEM.

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** ANYONE IN THE BOARDROOM WHO WISHES TO  
6 MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT ON OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. I'LL ENTERTAIN A  
7 MOTION.

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9 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** MR. CHAIR I WILL MOVE APPROVAL.

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11 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** FIRST BY GLOVER.

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13 **AMY R. WORTH:** SECOND.

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15 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WORTH. ROLL  
16 CALL VOTE.

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** PEDROZA?

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:**

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22 **ALFREDO PEDROZA:** YES.

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24 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** JOSEFOWITZ?

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1 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ, V. CHAIR:** YES.

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3 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** ABE-KOGA?

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5 **MARGARET ABE-KOGA:** AYE.

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7 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAVEZ IS ABSENT. GLOVER?

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9 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** YES.

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11 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** WORTH?

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13 **AMY R. WORTH:** AYE.

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15 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY

16 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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18 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM THREE PUBLIC

19 COMMENT. I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO LIST ANY ITEMS ASSOCIATED WITH

20 THIS ITEM AT [INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV](mailto:INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV) BY 5:00 P.M. INTO THE

21 RECORD. ALSO IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT PLEASE RAISE YOUR

22 HAND VIRTUALLY OR APPROACH THE PODIUM.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN  
2 WRITING MR. CHAIR AND I SEE NO MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR  
3 HELP RAISED.

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC  
6 COMMENT. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO ITEM 4A ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT  
7 MEETING OF THE BAY AREA HEADQUARTERS AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED TO  
8 BE HELD JUNE 22ND, '22. ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE TO BE DULY  
9 NOTED. THIS CONCLUDES OUR NORMAL BUSINESS. [ADJOURNED]

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