

An aerial photograph of a city street grid, viewed from a high angle. The streets form a complex network of lines, with some major thoroughfares and many smaller local streets. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter, giving it a monochromatic appearance. The text is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image.

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

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ABAG ACFA GOVERNING BOARD

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022 5:05 PM

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I WILL NOW CALL THE ACFA GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ABAG -- OF ABAG TO ORDER FOR MAY 20TH -- PARDON ME, MAY 19TH, 2022. MAY WE ROLL THE TAPE, PLEASE?

[RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES ANNOUNCEMENT] THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A HYBRID MEETING A ZOOM WEBINAR LINK HAS BEEN PROVIDED AS WELL AS ACCOMMODATIONS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE. THIS MEETING IS ALSO BEING WEBCAST ON THE ABAG WEBSITE. THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS, BY NAME, AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM, WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED, ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK, SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9, AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT, PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFOATBAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 P.M., YESTERDAY, WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF

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

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9 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ROLL CALL PLEASE.

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11 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** FOR THE ACFA GOVERNING BOARD. MAYOR
12 ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. MITCHOFF?

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14 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** HERE.

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16 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** RAMOS?

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18 **BELIA RAMOS:** HERE.

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20 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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22 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITH THAT WE'LL ASK IF THERE IS
23 ANY PUBLIC COMMENT MR. CASTRO ON ANY NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
2 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
3 ON THIS ITEM. AND IN THE BOARDROOM, NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
4 QUEUED UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

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6 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM THREE, OUR GOVERNING
7 BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS. SUPERVISOR RAMOS, ANYTHING TO SHARE?

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9 **BELIA RAMOS:** NOT TODAY.

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11 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND I HAVE NOTHING TO SHARE.
12 MR. CASTRO, WERE THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FOR ITEMS
13 THREE OR FOUR?

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15 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** FOR ITEMS 3 AND 4 THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF
16 THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC
17 COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM. NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM
18 QUEUED UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

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20 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** ITEM FIVE, OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
21 REPORT. MS. MCMILLAN.

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23 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** I HAVE NO REPORT TONIGHT, MADAM CHAIR. THANK
24 YOU.

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1 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** AND I ASSUME WE HAVE NO PUBLIC COMMENT
2 ON A NO REPORT M CASTRO?

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THAT IS CORRECT.

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6 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** WONDERFUL. CONSENT CALENDAR. THIS IS
7 FOR OUR BOARD MINUTES OF BOTH APRIL 8TH AND APRIL 21ST.
8 SUPERVISOR RAMOS WOULD YOU MOVE THAT?

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10 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES, I WILL.

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12 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** AND I WILL SECOND IT. ANY PUBLIC
13 COMMENT MR. CASTRO?

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15 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** NO PUBLIC COMMENT. NO WRITTEN PUBLIC
16 COMMENTS RECEIVED. NO MEMBERS OF THE ATTENDEES WITH THEIR HAND
17 RAISED, NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM QUEUED UP FOR PUBLIC
18 COMMENT AND THE CONSENT CALENDAR ALSO INCLUDES THE A.B. 361
19 RESOLUTION.

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21 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** OH, YES IT DOES. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
22 WITH THAT ROLL CALL PLEASE.

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24 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MOTION BY RAMOS, SECOND BY MITCHOFF. MAYOR
25 ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. MITCHOFF?

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2 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** YES.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SUPERVISOR RAMOS?

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6 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES.

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8 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY

9 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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11 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM SEVEN

12 WHICH IS THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022/'23 OPERATING BUDGET

13 AND WORK PROGRAM. THIS IS AN ACTION ITEM. AND MR. HANSEL, WILL

14 YOU PLEASE GIVE YOUR REPORT.

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16 **DEREK HANSEL:** YES IF WE CAN BRING UP THE SUMMARY SHEET. IF WE

17 CAN MAKE THAT A LITTLE BIGGER, FOLKS. IS THAT POSSIBLE WHILE

18 THEY'RE WORKING ON TRYING TO MAKE IT LEGIBLE -- MY APOLOGIES.

19 THIS BUDGET WILL LOOK VERY SIMILAR TO WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN IN

20 PREVIOUS YEARS. NOT MUCH CHANGE HERE. REVENUE LOOKS GENERALLY

21 LIKE IT HAS. I'M JUST GOING TO PULL MINE UP SO I CAN SEE IT

22 HERE. MY APOLOGIES. THAT'S NOT -- THERE WE GO. THANK YOU.

23

24 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

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1 **DEREK HANSEL:** THANK YOU. AGAIN, REVENUE LOOKS VERY SIMILAR TO
2 WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN PRIOR YEARS. MAINLY, THE CFD COST
3 RECOVERY FEES, AND ALSO PROJECT MONITORING FEES. THOSE ARE
4 COMING IN FROM CURRENT BORROWERS. THE MAJOR EXPENSES ON THIS,
5 AGAIN, CONSULTANT AND PROFESSIONAL FEES, SOME OF WHICH ARE
6 KIND OF RUN RATE TRUE EXPENSES THAT WE HAVE EVERY SINGLE YEAR.
7 OTHERS OF WHICH WE WOULD ONLY HAVE IF WE ACTUALLY HAVE
8 BORROWINGS DURING THE YEAR. SO WE DO BUDGET FOR THE IDEA THAT
9 THERE COULD BE SOME BORROWINGS THAT GET TEED UP DURING THE
10 YEAR, SO FOLKS KNOW THAT THE PROGRAM IS GENERALLY IN A RUNOFF
11 MODE AT THE MOMENT. THE AUDIT FEES, THIS REFLECTS THE ALL
12 INTENDED AUDIT FEES FOR FISCAL '23. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE
13 ACTUAL AUDIT FEES THROUGH FEBRUARY OF '22 ARE SOMEWHAT LOWER
14 THAT'S BECAUSE THERE WAS A SPLIT OF AUDIT FEES FOR THIS PAST
15 FISCAL YEAR'S AUDIT BETWEEN FISCAL '21, AND FISCAL '22. SO
16 THAT'S REFLECTED THERE. OTHER THAN THAT, YOU KNOW, IT PRODUCES
17 A SMALL SURPLUS, AND HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

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19 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RAMOS, DO YOU HAVE ANY
20 QUESTIONS?

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22 **BELIA RAMOS:** DO I NOT. THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT.

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24 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** I DO, MR. HANSEL, AND I WOULD LIKE TO
25 THINK I'M SMARTER THAN I AM, BUT I AM NOT. SO, IN '21/'22, WE

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1 APPROVED REVENUE OF 856,574, BUT -- OH, I SEE. THAT'S THROUGH
2 FEBRUARY --

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4 **DEREK HANSEL:** WE HAVE ANOTHER THIRD OF THE YEAR.

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6 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** TO GO. THAT'S WHY THIS -- THIS IS TO
7 DATE. I'M SORRY. I COULDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE WOULD PROPOSE
8 ANOTHER BUDGET WITH THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY, BUT IN THE
9 REVENUE PORTION, BUT I SEE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. ALL RIGHT.
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, MR.
11 CASTRO, WHO HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

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13 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR
14 HANDS RAISED, THERE ARE NO WRITTEN COMMENTS FOR THIS ITEM. AND
15 IN THE BOARDROOM, I BELIEVE THERE ARE NO -- YES, THERE ARE NO
16 PUBLIC -- MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC QUEUED UP FOR SPEAK. THANK
17 YOU.

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19 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR
20 RAMOS, COULD I EXPECT A MOTION FROM YOU?

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22 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES. I WILL MAKE A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE THE
23 OPERATING BUDGET.

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1 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WILL SECOND THAT. ROLL
2 CALL, PLEASE.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ON THE MOTION BY RAMOS, SECOND BY
5 MITCHOFF. MAYOR ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. SUPERVISOR MITCHOFF?

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7 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** YES.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SUPERVISOR RAMOS?

10

11 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES.

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13 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS
14 PRESENT.

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16 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OUR FINAL ITEM IS THE
17 ADJOURNMENT. I SEE THAT OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE JULY
18 21ST, BUT THAT'S OUTSIDE OF THE 30 DAYS. SO, WILL THERE BE A
19 SPECIAL MEETING SOMETIME IN JUNE?

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21 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JUNE 16TH SHOULD GET US CLOSE TO THAT, BUT
22 I'LL DOUBLE CHECK THE 30-DAY TERM.

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24 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** WE SHOULD BE OKAY. I'M JUST READING THE
25 WONDERFUL REPORT THEY ALWAYS GET AND IT DOESN'T SHOW THAT. SO

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1 WE'LL HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 16TH IS WHAT I'M HEARING
2 M CASTRO? 37 YES, MA'AM.
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4 **KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, WE ARE
5 ADJOURNED. [ADJOURNED]



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