

**METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**
Meeting Transcript



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1 **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

2 **BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY**

3 **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022 9:45 AM**

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE. I'M GOING TO
6 CALL TO ORDER THE BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY MEETING TO ORDER FOR
7 JUNE 22ND MY NAME IS ALFREDO PEDROZA CHAIR ALONG WITH NICK
8 JOSEFOWITZ, VICE CHAIR. PLEASE ROLL THE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT.
9 [RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES ANNOUNCEMENT] THIS MEETING WILL
10 BE CONDUCTED AS A HYBRID MEETING A ZOOM WEBINAR LINK HAS BEEN
11 PROVIDED AS WELL AS ACCOMMODATIONS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE.
12 THIS MEETING IS ALSO BEING WEBCAST ON THE METROPOLITAN
13 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION WEB SITE. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS
14 OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK, SHOULD
15 USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9, AND THE CHAIR WILL
16 CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE
17 ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR
18 PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR
19 NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT, PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS
20 VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AT
21 INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 P.M., YESTERDAY, WILL BE POSTED TO
22 THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE
23 READ OUT LOUD. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION
24 ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT



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1 FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE. IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE MAKE
2 SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP TO DATE.

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4 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, STAFF. LET'S
5 PROCEED TO ITEM ONE AND DO ROLL CALL.

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

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

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

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

14

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

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

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19 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER AHN?

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21 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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

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25 **DAVID CANEPA:** HERE.



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

3 COMMISSIONER --

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** SHE'S GOING TO BE RETURNING -- SORRY

6 TO INTERRUPT, KIMBERLY. SHE'S GOING TO BE COMING BACK IN TEN

7 MINUTES OR SO.

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9 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COMMISSIONER

10 CONNOLLY?

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12 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** EL-TAWANSY IS ABSENT. COMMISSIONER

19 FLEMING?

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21 **VICTORIA FLEMING:** HERE.

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23 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** GIACOPINI?

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25 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** HERE.



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

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4 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** LICCARDO?

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8 **SAM LICCARDO:** HERE.

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10 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER MILEY?

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12 **NATHAN MILEY:** HERE.

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

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16 **GINA PAPAN:** HERE.

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

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20 **DAVID RABBIT:** HERE.

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

23 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?

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25 **LIBBY SCHAAF:** HERE COMMISSIONER SPERING?



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2 **JAMES P. SPERING:** PRESENT COMMISSIONER WORTH?

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4 **AMY R. WORTH:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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8 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED TO ITEM --

9 MOVING TO 3A AND 3B. CONSENT CALENDAR.

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11 **JAMES P. SPERING:** SPERING WILL MOVE.

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13 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** KIMBERLY, ANY BELIEVE APPROXIMATE

14 COMMENT?

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16 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH

17 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED

18 ON THIS ITEM.

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20 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** I'LL GO BACK TO COMMISSIONER SPERING

21 WHO I BELIEVE WAS GOING TO MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE

22 CONSENT CALENDAR.

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24 **JAMES P. SPERING:** SO MOVED.

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1 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** OKAY I'LL LOOK FOR A SECOND.

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3 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** GLOVER SECTIONS.

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5 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** FIRST BY SPERING, SECOND BY GLOVER

6 LEADS PROCEED TO THE ROLL CALL VOTE.

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8 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAIR PEDROZA.

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

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12 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.

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

15

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

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

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

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22 **EDDIE AHN:** YES CANEPA?

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24 **DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

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1 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** CHAVEZ IS ABSENT. CONNOLLY?

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3 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** AYE.

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5 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? COMMISSIONER
6 FLEMING?

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8 **VICTORIA FLEMING:** AYE.

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10 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER GLOVER?

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12 **FEDERAL D. GLOVER:** AYE.

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

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16 **SAM LICCARDO:** AYE.

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

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20 **NATHAN MILEY:** AYE.

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22 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

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12 **JAMES P. SPERING:** AYE.

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

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16 **AMY R. WORTH:** AYE.

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18 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY
19 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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21 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. IT'S BEEN A LONG
22 DAY. LET'S PROCEED TO ITEM FOUR. THIS IS THE BATA OVERSIGHT
23 COMMITTEE REPORT. I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO COMMISSIONER
24 WORTH WHO WILL GIVE THE REPORT.

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1 **AMY R. WORTH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. I'M JOINED BY COMMITTEE
2 VICE CHAIR MARGARET ABE-KOGA. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT FOR
3 YOUR CONSIDERATION, THE BATA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MET JUNE 8TH
4 BETWEEN THE AND REFERRING THE FOLLOWING TO THE AUTHORITY FOR
5 APPROVAL BATA RESOLUTION NUMBER 154 WHICH ADOPTS THE FISCAL
6 YEAR 2022, 2023 BATA OPERATING CAPITAL BUDGET AND THEREFORE I
7 MOVIE APPROVAL OF BATA BUDGET NUMBER 154 REVISED.

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9 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. A SECOND?

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11 **MARGARET ABE-KOGA:** SECOND.

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13 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS
14 ITEM?

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16 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING FOR
17 THIS ITEM. I SEE ALETA DUPREE HAS HER HAND RAISED. IF YOU
18 WOULD LIKE TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA. ALETA DUPREE, FOR THE
21 RECORD, SHE AND HER. I WAS AT THE BATA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
22 MEETING AND WE NEED TO PASS THE BUDGET I BELIEVE IT'S FORWARD
23 THINKING THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS IN HERE THAT I'M DIGESTING
24 THIS BUDGET WILL HELP US MOVE FORWARD IN THE WORK THAT WE NEED
25 TO DO TO BUILD A MORE USER FRIENDLY SYSTEM. AND A BUDGET IS



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1 SIMPLY A PREDICTION. I DO BELIEVE THAT OVER TIME, TRAFFIC WILL
2 RISE, TOLL REVENUES WILL BE COLLECTED, AND THE ALL ELECTRIC
3 TOLLING SYSTEM WILL RECOVER ITS EXPENSES AND PAY FOR ITSELF
4 AND TURN A PROFIT. PEOPLE IN TOLL BOOTHS DON'T STOP TOLL
5 EVASION, WE HAVE JUST GOT TO KEEP WORKING ON OUR CAPITAL
6 PROGRAM AND MAKING THINGS EASIER. THANK YOU.

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8 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** I SEE NO ADDITIONAL HANDS RAISED M
9 CHAIR.

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11 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BACK TO THE COMMISSION.
12 COMMISSIONERS, QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION. SEEING
13 NONE. FIRST BY COMMISSIONER WORTH, SECOND ABE-KOGA. ROLL CALL
14 VOTE.

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

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

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8 PRESENT.

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10 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. MOVING TO ITEM
11 FIVE, PUBLIC COMMENT. HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?

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13 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** YES, MR. CHAIR, WE DID RECEIVE ONE
14 LETTER OF CORRESPONDENCE FROM RICHMOND AND MARIN COALITION FOR
15 TRANSPORTATION JUST. THAT HAS BEEN POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA
16 AND WAS DISTRIBUTED TO COMMISSIONERS. I ALSO SEE ONE MEMBER OF
17 THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HANDS RAISED. ALETA DUPREE, IF YOU WOULD
18 LIKE TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

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20 **SPEAKER:** THANKS AGAIN, CHAIR ALFREDO PEDROZA, AND MEMBERS.
21 ALETA DUPREE. AS I SPEAK GENERALLY, THERE IS A LOT GOING ON IN
22 THE TOLL COLLECTION SPACE. YOU JUST NEVER KNOW WHEN THE
23 ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL COME. OKLAHOMA AS OF YESTERDAY, A MONTH-
24 LONG TRANSITION TO ALL ELECTRONIC TOLLING IS OCCURRING ON THE
25 TURNPIKE. I HAVE PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH THAT ROAD AS I USED



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1 IT DAILY WITH THE THEN NEW PASS PROGRAM WITH VERY FIRST
2 ELECTRONIC TOLLING EFFECTIVE 10th OF JULY. AND THE GEORGE
3 WASHINGTON BRIDGE BETWEEN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY, THE BUSIEST
4 HIGHWAY BRIDGE IN THE WORLD IS GOING TO TRANSITION TO ELECTRIC
5 TOLLING. I AM SURE EVERYONE SEES WHAT WE'RE DOING BUT WE MUST
6 NOT BE AFRAID TO CONTINUE THE WORK IN ADVANCING THE
7 CONVERSATION. THANK YOU.

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9 **CLERK, KIMBERLY WARD:** YOU SEE NO ADDITIONAL HAPPENED BE RAISED
10 M CHAIR.

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12 **ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU KIMBERLY ITEM SIX
13 ADJOURNMENT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY IS
14 SCHEDULED TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY JULY 27TH, 2022 ANY CHANGES
15 WILL BE DULY NOTED TO THE PUBLIC: THANK YOU ALL. [ADJOURNED]

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