



METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Meeting Transcript



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**JOINT MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE
ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022 9:40 AM**

JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: I WOULD LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THE
JOINT MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMITTEE TO ORDER. AND WITH THAT, WOULD STAFF RUN THE
BROADCAST? [RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES ANNOUNCEMENT] DUE TO
COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361 WHICH SUSPENDS
CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING IS BEING
WEBCAST ON THE MTC 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



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

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10 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IS JESSE ON THE ZOOM?

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12 **BELIA RAMOS:** SUPERVISOR SPERING, I WILL BE TAKING OVER.

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14 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OH THAT'S ONE OF OUR TRAVEL
15 COMPANIONS. I'LL BE DOING THE MTC ROLL CALL THEN FOR THE MTC
16 PLANNING COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR. AND TURN IT OVER TO YOU
17 FOR THE NEXT THREE ITEMS.

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19 **BELIA RAMOS:** SOUNDS GREAT.

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21 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** ROLL CALL.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING?

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



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE CHAIR AHN?

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4 **V. CHAIR, EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CONNOLLY?

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8 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** HERE.

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10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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

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14 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** FLEMING? GIACOPINI, NON-VOTING?

15 COMMISSIONER GIACOPINI? COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? SCHAFF?

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17 **LIBBY SCHAAF:** HERE.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** WE HAVE A QUORUM.

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21 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. OUR NEXT ITEM IS

22 THE CONSENT CALENDAR. AND IS THERE ANY CORRESPONDENCE OR

23 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT, MARTHA?

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED ON THIS
2 ITEM AND THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HANDS
3 RAISED.

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5 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO
6 APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. I WANT TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS ON
7 ITEM 3B. IS THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE?

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9 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** DUTRA-VERNACI MOVES THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

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11 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND?

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13 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** SECOND.

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15 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MOTION AND
16 SECOND. BEFORE WE VOTE, YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATING
17 WITH VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ, AND WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT
18 HAVING A TRANSIT PRIORITY POLICY INCLUDED IN THIS -- IN THE
19 COUNTY-WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS, AND I THINK IT'S AN ABOUT
20 GOOD SUGGESTION. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO, AND MATT, TUCKED, I
21 LIKE TO ASK STAFF, AFTER WE APPROVE THIS TODAY, IS STAFF
22 EXPLORE WITH THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES AND DEVELOP
23 THAT POLICY AND BRING IT BACK TO US. AND WE CAN EITHER AMEND
24 OR MODIFY THIS ONE. BUT I REALLY FEEL STRONGLY THAT WE HAVE TO
25 HAVE THAT CONVERSATION WITH THEM. YOU KNOW, ONE SIZE IS NOT



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1 GOING TO FIT ALL, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THEY FEEL THAT SHOULD
2 BE INCLUDED IN THOSE COUNTY-WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS. NICK,
3 DID YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WANT TO ADD TO THAT?

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5 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ:** NO. I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU, CHAIR, FOR
6 BRINGING THAT UP. AND I THINK THAT IS A TERRIFIC PATH FORWARD.
7 AND I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO GET YOU FOR -- AS A
8 CHRISTMAS PRESENT, AND IT'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE REPLICA OF A
9 BUS LANE.

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11 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** [LAUGHTER] BOY, I WISH WE DID GET
12 THAT BUS PRIORITY. MY GOSH. SO, ANYWAY -- AND HOPEFULLY, THIS
13 TRANSIT PRIORITY POLICY, AS I SAID, IT REALLY SHOULD BE
14 INCLUDED. BUT I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE DIFFERENT FOR
15 EACH, AT LEAST TO HELP MEET THE NEED OF OUR NINE DIVERSE
16 COUNTIES. WITH THAT IF THERE IS NO FURTHER COMMENTS ON THIS
17 ITEM, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** WILL DO. CHAIR SPERING?

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

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE CHAIR AHN?

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25 **EDDIE AHN, V. CHAIR:** YES.



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE CHAIR CANEPA?

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4 **DAVID CANEPA:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COMMISSIONER CONNOLLY?

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8 **DAMON CONNOLLY:** AYE.

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10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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

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14 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** FLEMING? COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?

15 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?

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17 **LIBBY SCHAFF:** AYE.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** AND I HEARD A BACKGROUND.

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21 **LIBBY SCHAFF:** I SAID AYE.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY

24 ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

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1 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'LL TURN IT OVER TO -

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4 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** COMMISSIONER SPERING?

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6 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** VICE PRESIDENT RAMOS.

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8 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** COMMISSIONER SPERING, THIS IS DORENE

9 GIACOPINI. I APOLOGIZE, I WAS UNABLE TO GET TO MY UNMUTE

10 BUTTON FAST ENOUGH FOR THE ATTENDANCE. THANK YOU.

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12 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** WE GOT YOU DOREEN. THANK YOU FOR

13 BEING HERE. WITH THAT BELIA, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO YOU.

14

15 **BELIA RAMOS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH AND WELCOME TO THE ABAG MISTER

16 COMMITTEE. IF I COULD JUST HAVE THE ABAG CLERK CONDUCT THE

17 ROLL TO ENSURE QUORUM IS PRESENT FOR THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE

18 COMMITTEE.

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20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** YES, MA'AM. MAYOR ARREGUIN IS ABSENT.

21 FLIGOR?

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23 **NEYSA FLIGOR:** PRESENT.

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25 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** HUDSON?



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2 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** LEE?

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6 **OTTO LEE:** HERE.

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8 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MITCHOFF?

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10 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** HERE.

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12 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MORALES IS ABSENT. RABBIT?

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14 **DAVID RABBIT:** HERE.

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16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

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18 **BELIA RAMOS:** HERE.

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20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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22 **BELIA RAMOS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. IF THE CLERK COULD PLEASE READ

23 THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT.

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** ACCORDING TO STATE LAW I AM MAKING THE
2 FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT, THE MEMBERS OF THE ABAG BOARD IN
3 ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PER DIEM AN
4 AMOUNT OF \$150 AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH
5 EACH MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT PER DIEM. THANK YOU.

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7 **BELIA RAMOS:** THANK YOU. OUR NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS OUR
8 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR. THIS ITEM, WE HAVE
9 ONE MATTER BEFORE US. MINUTES FROM OUR LAST MEETING. DO ANY
10 MEMBERS WISH TO PULL AN ITEM FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

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12 **PAT ECKLUND:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE APPROVAL.

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14 **CARLOS ROMERO:** SECOND THE MOTION.

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16 **BELIA RAMOS:** WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT. IS THERE DISCUSSION ON
17 THE MOTION. PUBLIC COMMENT EITHER WRITTEN OR ATTENDEES?

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
20 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
21 ON THIS ITEM.

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23 **BELIA RAMOS:** ON THE PHONE PLEASE DIAL STAR NINE TO BE UNMUTED?
24 AND IF THE CLERK WOULD CONDUCT ROLL ON THIS MOTION.

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MOTION BY EKLUND SECOND BY ROMERO.

2 ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. EKLUND?

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4 **PAT ECKLUND:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER FLIGOR? IS ABSENT. MAYOR
7 HUDSON?

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9 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** YES.

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11 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR LEE?

12

13 **OTTO LEE:** YES.

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15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MITCHOFF IN.

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17 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** YES.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** HUDSON?

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21 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** YES.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RABBIT?

24

25 **DAVID RABBIT:** YES.



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS
3 PRESENT.

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5 **BELIA RAMOS:** BACK TO YOU SUPERVISOR SPERING.

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7 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS AN INFORMATION ITEM,
8 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 INFORMATION PLAN OUR ANNUAL PROGRESS
9 UPDATE. AND CHIRAG, ARE YOU GIVING THIS ONE?

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11 **CHIRAG RABARI:** YES, BUT I BELIEVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MCMILLAN
12 WANTED TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

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14 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OH OKAY. I'M SORRY THERESE. GO
15 AHEAD.

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17 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH CHAIR SPERING, AND ALSO
18 CHAIR RAMOS. THIS IS OUR FIRST ANNUAL REPORT ON PLANNED BAY
19 AREA 2050. AND I THINK, IN MANY WAYS, IT'S AN INCREDIBLY
20 IMPORTANT MOMENT, AND A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION ON REALLY WHAT
21 WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED, AS MTC AND ABAG. YOU KNOW, A YEAR AGO,
22 WE ADOPTED THIS. IN MY VIEW, A REALLY TRANSFORMATIVE PLAN THAT
23 BUILT THIS VISION ON A RECOGNITION THAT TRANSPORTATION,
24 HOUSING, THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE ECONOMY CAN NO LONGER BE
25 TREATED AS SEPARATE SILOED ISSUES THAT ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED



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1 AND WE NEEDED TO COMMIT TO PUTTING TOGETHER A PLAN THAT WOULD
2 CREATE A REGION THAT IS AFFORDABLE, CONNECTED, DIVERSE,
3 HEALTHY AND VIBRANT FOR ALL. AND THAT WAS GREAT. BUT A VISION
4 IS VALIDATED WHETHER PEOPLE ACT ON IT. AND WHAT'S SO
5 GRATIFYING ABOUT THE PRESENTATION YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR NOW IS
6 THAT STAFF IS GOING TO BE SPEAKING TO A COMPENDIUM OF ACTIONS
7 THAT YOUR CONSOLIDATED STAFF, WORKING TOGETHER WITH OUR
8 PARTNERS ACROSS THE REGION, HAVE PUTS TOGETHER TO ACTUALLY
9 VALIDATE THIS VISION, AND THE EVIDENCE OF THAT, THERE IS 28
10 PAGES -- I'M NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH EACH OF THEM, BUT STAFF
11 WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU A SENSE THAT WHAT WE REALLY DO HAVE,
12 AND HAVE ACCOMPLISHED IS THIS LONG-TERM NORTH STAR THAT WE'RE
13 GOING ADHERE TO GOING FORWARD, BUT ALSO THAT PLANNED BAY AREA
14 2050, AND THIS ACTION ELEMENT IS A STRATEGIC MAP FOR WHAT THE
15 REGION NEEDS TO DO, FOR WHAT -- FOR BOTH MTC AND ABAG. AND,
16 SO, I JUST WANTED TO, YOU KNOW, OFFER THAT I'M SO INCREDIBLY
17 PROUD OF OUR STAFF THAT HAS PULLED THIS TOGETHER, OF THE
18 PARTNERSHIPS THAT WE HAVE BUILT, AND REALLY HONORED TO HAVE,
19 YOU KNOW, YOUR LEADERSHIP, BOTH MTC AND ABAG, IN CARRYING OUT
20 THIS VISION, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT IT'S A LONG AND TOUGH ROAD
21 AHEAD TO DEAL WITH THE MANY CHALLENGES WE FACE, BUT THE
22 OPPORTUNITY IS GREAT. SO, WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO OUR
23 STAFF, OR TO YOU, CHAIR SPERING, TO PRESENT -- TO RECEIVE THE
24 PRESENTATION.

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1 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THERESE, I REALLY APPRECIATE
2 THOSE COMMENTS. YOU KNOW, WHEN I LOOK OVER THESE PAST TWO
3 YEARS WITH THE 2050 PLAN AND THE BLUE RIBBON, IT REALLY IS
4 ASTONISHING WHAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH. YOU KNOW,
5 BELIA, MYSELF, AND CAROL, AT RAIL REVOLUTION, WE'RE AHEAD OF
6 MANY OF THE METROPOLITAN AREAS, WHAT WE'RE DOING, OUR VISION,
7 AND HOW WE'RE ACTUALLY ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF OUR
8 COMMUNITIES. YOU KNOW, I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT THIS
9 COMMISSION HAS DONE, AND OUR STAFF, IT'S JUST OUTSTANDING.
10 THEY DESERVE NOT ONLY REGIONAL RECOGNITION, BUT ALSO NATIONAL
11 RECOGNITION OF WHAT WE HAVE DONE. AND I SHARE YOUR PRIDE,
12 THERESE, ON THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS STAFF. WITH THAT,
13 CHIRAG, IT'S ALL YOURS. AND DO A GOOD JOB NOW. MAKE EVERYBODY
14 LOOK GOOD.

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16 **CHIRAG RABARI:** THANK YOU CHAIR SPERING. GOOD MORNING
17 COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD MEMBERS, MY NAME IS CHIRAG RABARI,
18 PROGRAM MANAGER AND I'LL BE PROVIDING PROGRESS UPDATE ON
19 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. NEXT SLIDE. SO, IT
20 HAS BEEN ONE YEAR SINCE MTC AND ABAG ADOPTED THE PLANNED BAY
21 AREA 2050 LONG RANGE PLAN FOR THE NINE COUNTY BAY AREA THE
22 PLAN WAS DRIVEN BY THE PUBLIC THAT CRAFTED EQUITABLE RESILIENT
23 STRATEGIES TO ALIGN WITH THE PLANS TO ADOPT A VISION OF AN
24 AFFORDABLE CONNECTED DIVERSE HEALTHY AND VIBRANT BAY AREA FOR
25 ALL RESIDENTS BY 2050 AND DOING ALL OF THIS EXCEEDING FEDERAL



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1 ASK AND STATE PLANNING REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING STATE-MANDATED
2 REDUCTION AND PER CAPITA GREENHOUSE GASSES SIGNIFICANTLY
3 EXPANDING HOUSING FOCUS AND ADDING NEW ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT
4 ELEMENTS INCLUDED A MUCH STRONGER COMMITMENT TO
5 IMPLEMENTATION. AS PART OF THE PLAN PROCESS, EVALUATING
6 FACTORS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO STRATEGY SUCCESS INCLUDING
7 AUTHORITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES, TECHNICAL CAPACITY AND PUBLIC
8 AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. WHETHER MTC OR ABAG SHOULD LEAD,
9 PARTNER, OR SUPPORT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION AND ULTIMATELY
10 IDENTIFIED OVER 80 IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS THAT MTC AND ABAG
11 COULD ADVANCE OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD TO SUPPORT THE 30 YEAR
12 STRATEGIES INCLUDED IN THE PLAN AND WE DIDN'T WANT THESE
13 IMPLEMENTATIONS COMMITMENTS TO JUST SIT ON THE SHELF SO, THE
14 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN INCLUDED TWO KEY ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO
15 TRACKING OUR PROGRESS. FIRST, DEEPER INTEGRATION WITH VITAL
16 SIGNS THE REGIONAL PERFORMANCE MONITORING TOOL AND SOAKED
17 ANNUAL PROGRESS UPDATES TO MTC AND ABAG. AND THIS OBVIOUSLY
18 HAS A LOT OF INTRINSIC VALUE JUST FOR ACCOUNTABILITY PURPOSES
19 BUT I THINK IT'S ALSO PART IMPORTANT TO NOTE WHERE STATE
20 REGULATORS AND POLICY MAKERS ARE TAKING A MUCH KEENER INTEREST
21 SO WE SHOULD EXPECT MORE ACTIVITY ON THAT FRONT MOVING
22 FORWARD. NEXT SLIDE. VITAL SIGNS IS A DATA-DRIVEN WEB SITE
23 THAT TRACKS BAY AREA TRENDS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION, LAND
24 AND PEOPLE, THE ECONOMY, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND SOCIAL EQUITY.
25 AND IT CURRENTLY TRACKS OVER 40 KEY INDICATORS MANY OF WHICH



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1 CAN OFFER INSIGHTS INTO HOW THE REGION IS DOING IN AREAS
2 RELATIVE TO PLANNED TRANSPORTATION. UPDATE AND REFRESH OF
3 VITAL SIGNS IS IN THE WORKS BUT WE GET A SNEAK PEEK AT SELECT
4 INDICATORS WHICH OFFER A LENS ON GETTING THE CURRENT PULSE OF
5 THE REGION. THE BIG PICTURE TAKE AWAY HERE IS WE'RE STILL
6 DEALING WITH THE IMPACTS AND FALL OUT FROM COVID, POPULATION
7 AND JOBS ARE BOTH STILL DOWN FROM THEIR PRECOVID PEAK.
8 ALTHOUGH WE CAN SEE THAT GROWTH WAS ALREADY SLOWING PRIOR TO
9 THE ONSET OF THE PANDEMIC. I THINK, ALTHOUGH, YOU KNOW, WE
10 KNOW THE HOUSING MARKET IS DEFINITELY COOLING AT THE MOMENT,
11 YOU CAN REALLY SEE JUST HOW ASTONISHING OF A RISE THERE WAS,
12 FROM THE MARKET BOTTOM IN THE EARLY 20 TENS, UP THROUGH THE
13 EARLY COVID PERIOD. ON THE TRANSPORTATION FRONT, WE CAN REALLY
14 SEE THE DECREASE IN THE DRIVER ALONE COMMUTERS AND THE VERY
15 STUNNING RISE IN THE WORK-FROM-HOME, AND HOW THAT'S
16 CONTRIBUTED TO OVERALL DECLINING GHG EMISSIONS, BUT ALSO
17 REALLY MASSIVE DROP IN PRETTY SLOW RECOVERY SO FAR IN TERMS OF
18 OUR TRANSIT RIDERSHIP AND HOW MUCH OF A CHALLENGE THAT'S GOING
19 TO PRESENT FOR US MOVING FORWARD. YOU KNOW, A COUPLE CAUTIONS
20 ON THE PRESENTATION OF THIS DATA, WHEN YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT A
21 YEAR ONE IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE ON A FIVE YEAR ACTION PLAN,
22 TRYING TO MOVE THE NEEDLE ON 30 YEAR STRATEGIES, YOU'RE NOT
23 NECESSARILY GOING TO SEE, YOU KNOW, A TON OF PROGRESS AT THE
24 MACRO LEVEL, YOU KNOW, IN THE SHORT-TERM, FOR SOME OF THESE
25 INDICATORS. AND I THINK, AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MCMILLAN



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1 MENTIONED, THERE ARE SOME SERIOUS HEADWINDS RIGHT OUT THE GATE
2 AS WE'RE IMPLEMENTING THE 30 YEAR VISION IT'S IMPORTANT TO
3 KEEP MOVING FORWARD WITH OUR IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES. NEXT
4 SLIDE. SO, MOVING ON TO OUR PROGRESS UPDATE, I WANT TO
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS PRESENTATION AND THE ATTACHMENTS
6 ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM REFLECT THE INPUT FROM 11 DIFFERENT
7 SECTIONS WITHIN THE MTC ABAG FAMILY. FROM OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
8 SERVICES DIVISION, WE RECEIVED UPDATES FROM THE BAY AREA
9 HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE BAY AREA REGIONAL
10 COLLABORATIVE, THE BAYREN ENERGY PROGRAM, AND THE SAN
11 FRANCISCO ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP, FROM OUR OPERATIONS DIVISION,
12 WE RECEIVED UPDATES FROM DESIGN AND PROJECT DELIVERY,
13 ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS, FIELD OPERATIONS AND ASSET MANAGEMENT AND
14 TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, AND FINALLY, WITHIN POLICY, WE RECEIVED
15 UPDATES FROM FUNDING POLICY AND PROGRAMS, LEGISLATION PUBLIC
16 AFFAIRS AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING PROGRAM. SO, AS WE REVIEW
17 KEY 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND PRIORITIES FOR 2023 IT'S
18 IMPORTANT TO RAISE UP THE BENEFITS OF THE INTEGRATED STAFF AND
19 THE COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION THAT ENABLES FURTHER
20 DEMONSTRATING HOW IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REGIONAL PLAN IS A
21 SHARED EFFORT AND RESPONSIBILITY AND A TESTAMENT TO THE
22 LEADERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION AND EXECUTIVE BOARD IN
23 ESTABLISHING THE VISION THAT WE'RE ALL WORKING TO CARRY OUT
24 HERE. I ALSO, AGAIN, THERE ARE LITERALLY HUNDREDS OF UPDATES
25 IN ATTACHMENT B SO WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH EVERYONE IN



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1 THIS PRESENTATION, BUT THERE ARE KEY THEMES TO DRAW OUT. FIRST
2 IN TERMS OF PARTNERSHIP, SOME FEDERAL AND STATE LEADERSHIP IN
3 KEY AREAS OF FUNDING AND POLICY, SCALING UP OUR REGIONAL
4 HOUSING PORTFOLIO, IMPLEMENTING OUR REGIONAL GROWTH FRAMEWORK,
5 SUPPORTING TRANSIT RECOVERY, REIMAGINING A MORE EQUITABLE
6 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, AS WELL AS PARTNERSHIPS TO ADVANCE OUR
7 RESILIENCE AND CONSERVATION GOALS. NEXT SLIDE. SO, PARTNERSHIP
8 WITH PUBLIC NON-PROFIT AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS IS A CORE
9 COMPONENT OF IMPLEMENTING PLANNED BAY AREA 2050'S 35
10 STRATEGIES. AND, YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY THE PLAN DOES NOT OPERATE
11 IN A VACUUM AND MAKING IT A REALITY WILL NOT BE DONE BY MTC
12 AND ABAG ALONE. WHILE NOT FEASIBLE TO HIGHLIGHT EVERY
13 CONTRIBUTION TO ADVOCACY INITIATIVES PROJECTS AND PLANNING
14 ACTIVITIES THAT PROCEEDED ON OVER THE LAST YEAR WE DID WANT TO
15 HONE IN ON A NOTABLE THEME WHICH IS LEADERSHIP FROM FEDERAL
16 AND STATE PARTNERS THIS IS CRITICAL FOR ENABLING BROADLY
17 SUPPORTIVE IMPLEMENTATION PARTICULARLY IN CRUCIAL AREAS SUCH
18 AS FINANCIAL RESOURCES AUTHORITY AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. AT THE
19 FEDERAL LEVEL THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW WAS IMPORTANT
20 TO GROW FORMULA OF FUNDS TO HELP US OPERATE AND MAINTAIN OUR
21 EXISTING SYSTEM BUT CREATE MANY NEW DISCRETIONARY FUNDING
22 OPPORTUNITIES THAT CAN SUPPORT OUR NEXT GENERATION TRANSIT
23 SYSTEM THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT IS GOING TO PLAY A CRITICAL
24 ROLE IN THE ELECTRIFICATION SPACE AT THE STATE LEVEL
25 CALIFORNIA WAS FORTUNATE TO HAVE A SERIES OF BUDGET SURPLUSES



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1 OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS THAT ENABLED IMPORTANT INVESTMENTS IN
2 0 EMISSION VEHICLES AS WELL AS THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION
3 PLANNING. AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT BOTH THE FEDERAL AND
4 STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE BEEN EXPANDING THEIR FOOTPRINT IN THE
5 ENVIRONMENTAL SPACE WITH FUNDINGS FOR RESILIENCE AND
6 ADAPTATION ACTIVITIES. AS WE DEAL WITH THE FISCAL CLIFF FOR
7 TRANSIT, I THINK THIS IS AN AREA WHERE WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR
8 MORE LEADERSHIP FROM FEDERAL AND STATE PARTNERS. I THINK
9 ALTHOUGH IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE
10 CHALLENGES AND CHANGES AHEAD IN THE POLITICAL AND FISCAL
11 ENVIRONMENT. THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN SEVERAL POLICY CHANGES AT
12 THE STATE LEVEL THAT COULD IMPACT REGIONAL GROWTH INCLUDING
13 PASSAGE OF A.B. 2011, SB SIX, HOUSING COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS
14 A.B. 2097 PROHIBITING MINIMUM PARKING REQUIREMENTS NEAR
15 TRANSIT. AS IMPORTANT AS THESE FEDERAL AND STATE PARTNERSHIPS
16 HAS BEEN PARTNERSHIP IS VERY IMPORTANT AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. AS
17 WE RUN THROUGH THE FORTHCOMING SLIDES WE'LL WANT TO KEEP THAT
18 FRONT AND CENTER. NEXT SLIDE. SO, BIG TAKE AWAY HERE IS THAT
19 OUR HOUSING PORTFOLIO HAS EXPANDED IN SCOPE QUITE A BIT OVER
20 JUST A FEW YEARS AND THERE IS A LOT OF ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN
21 TERMS OF SCALING UP THIS REGIONAL PORTFOLIO. THE REGIONAL
22 HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS BEEN ESSENTIAL FOR
23 HELPING OUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS PLAN FOR MUCH NEEDED HOUSING,
24 WITH A FOCUS ON THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION AND
25 HOUSING ELEMENT IMPLEMENTATION. YOU KNOW, THE BAY AREA HOUSING



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1 FINANCE AUTHORITY IS BEING STEPPED UP, STAFFED UP IN A WAY
2 THAT'S REALLY TRYING TO TRANSFORM HOW WE DELIVER ON HOUSING
3 AFFORDABILITY AND STABILITY, AND THEY HAVE BEEN BUSY LAUNCHING
4 A SERIES OF PILOTS INCLUDING DOORWAY TO CONNECT RESIDENTS WITH
5 AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES DATABASE TO TRACK PIPELINE OF
6 AFFORDABLE HOMES IN THE REGION AND TOOL KITS FOR TENANT
7 PROTECTION LEGISLATION AND HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION ACTIVITIES
8 AMONG OTHERS. PLANNING OUTREACH ENGAGEMENT HAS BEGUN TO
9 PREPARE FOR POTENTIAL 2024 REGIONAL BALLOT MEASURE FOR HOUSING
10 THIS COULD BRING MUCH NEEDED FUNDING FOR THE BAY AREA'S NINE
11 COUNTIES TO HELP BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING. NEXT SLIDE. CORE
12 ELEMENTS OF PLANNED BAY AREA IS GROWTH FRAMEWORK SHOWING HOW
13 AND WHERE WE CAN MEET OUR HOUSING AND JOBS GOALS IN AN
14 EQUITABLE AND CLIMATE FRIENDLY MANNER. DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS
15 FRONT, RECENT ADOPTION OF THE REVISED TRANSIT ORIENTED
16 COMMUNITIES POLICY, IN CONSIDERATION AND COMBINATION OF STATE
17 LEGISLATION, THIS COULD HELP MOVE THE NEEDLE IN TERMS OF
18 FOCUSED GROWTH IN TRANSIT-RICH AREAS INCLUDING PRIORITIZING
19 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THE NEEDS OF OUR EQUITY PRIORITY
20 COMMUNITIES THROUGH WORKING GROUPS, CONCEPT PAPERS, AND NOW A
21 PILOT WITH NEARLY \$30 MILLION IN PROPOSED REAP 2.0 FUNDING WE
22 HAVE BEEN EXPANDING HOW WE CAN REUSE AGING MALLS AND OTHER
23 PRIORITY SITES TO SUPPORT TRANSFORMATIVE REGIONALLY
24 SIGNIFICANT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS. AND FINALLY WE HAVE
25 BEGUN OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT TO SUPPORT PRIORITY PRODUCTION



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1 GRANT PROGRAM, A NEW COMPONENT OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 WHERE
2 FOR THE FIRST TIME WE'RE CONSIDERING INDUSTRIAL LANDS AND HOW
3 TO PRIORITIZE THEM FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT. NEXT
4 SLIDE. COVERING SUITE OF INITIATIVES COMING OUT OF BLUE RIBBON
5 TRANSIT RECOVERY TASK FORCE AND THE BAY AREA TRANSIT TRANSFORM
6 EDUCATION ACTION PLAN THE CLIPPER BAY PASS REALLY SERVING AS A
7 DOWN PAYMENT ON OUR GOALS FOR THE SEAMLESS TRAVEL THROUGHOUT
8 THE REGION AND THIS AGENCY PASS LAUNCHED AT SEVERAL
9 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN AUGUST AND MORE RECENTLY SELECT
10 AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITES THERE HAS BEEN PROGRESS TO REPORT ON
11 THE REGIONAL MAPPING AND WAYFINDING FRONT. SOMETHING THAT HAS
12 BEEN IN THE WORKS FOR A LONG TIME AND HELPING MAKING OUR
13 FRACTURED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM LEGIBLE AND NAVIGABLE FOR
14 REGULAR USERS BY DEVELOPING DESIGN STANDARDS, TESTING
15 PROTOTYPES AND IMPLEMENTING PILOTS. A DETAILED WORK PLAN IS
16 CURRENTLY IN PROCESS INCLUDING DEVELOPING STAKEHOLDER AND
17 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT APPROACH. FINALLY, THE COMMISSION RECENTLY
18 ADOPTED THE MAJOR PROJECTS ADVANCEMENT POLICY OR MAP, WHICH
19 WILL SEEK TO ACHIEVE REGIONAL CONSENSUS IN SEQUENCING OF MAJOR
20 PROJECTS IN COORDINATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND REGIONAL
21 DISCRETIONARY FUNDING REQUESTS. THIS REGIONAL COMPONENT GOING
22 TO BE IMPORTANT TO ADAPTING TO THE REALITIES OF THE POST-COVID
23 ENVIRONMENT NEXT SLIDE. EQUITY WAS ONE OF THE CORE CROSS
24 CUTTING THEMES OF THE PLAN AND WOVEN THROUGHOUT ALL OF ITS 35
25 STRATEGIES. AND ALSO AN IMPORTANT COMPLEMENT TO MTC AND ABAG'S



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1 EQUITY PLATFORM THE EQUITY PLATFORM ADOPTED IN 2019 AND WAS
2 BASE ON A COMMITMENT TO MEANINGFULLY REVERSE DISPARITIES TO
3 ACCESS AND DISMANTLE SYSTEMIC EXCLUSION HIGHLIGHTING KEY
4 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENTS IN THAT VEIN. THE REGIONAL ACTIVE
5 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK ADOPTED IN JULY 2022 AND WILL SERVE AS
6 AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT OF THE REVISED COMPONENT OF COMPLETE
7 STREETS ADOPTED IN MARCH. BIG DEVELOPMENT IS ALL PROJECTS
8 FUNDED MUST CONSIDER ACCOMMODATION OF PEOPLE WHO WALK BIKE AND
9 ROLL AND THE PROJECT ON THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK
10 SHOULD INCORPORATE ALL AGES ABILITIES AND DESIGN PRINCIPLES
11 NEXT GENERATION BAY AREA FREEWAY STUDY MOVING FORWARD WITH
12 STAKEHOLDER PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN DEPTH TECHNICAL ANALYSIS AND
13 OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT OPTIONS AND THE OBJECTIVE IS TO
14 IDENTIFY PRICING STRATEGIES PLAYING A ROLE IN ENABLING SHARED
15 VISION OF NEXT GENERATION FREEWAY NETWORK EQUITIES A CENTRAL
16 COMPONENT IN THE PROCESS RECOGNIZING HARMS AS WELL AS
17 RECOGNITION OF INEQUITY. DISCOUNT PILOT TOLL IMPORTANT EXAMPLE
18 OF EFFORTS LOOKING AT APPROACHES TO MANAGING PAYMENTS AND TOLL
19 FEES AND PENALTIES EXPRESS LANE START IS BUILDING ON THE WORK
20 WITH CLIPPER START AND MAINTAINING CONSISTENCY WITH THE BATA
21 EQUITY ACTION PLAN FOCUSED ON TOLL BRIDGES IN LIGHT OF A.B.
22 2594 AND THE STATE LEGISLATION COORDINATE WITH STATE PARTNERS
23 IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT HERE. FINALLY DEVELOPING GOALS AND
24 STRATEGIES FOR GRANT PROGRAMS, COMMUNITY CHOICE PROGRAM AS A
25 SUCCESSOR FOR THE LIFELINE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM SUPPORTING



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1 PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING PROJECTS AS WELL AS OUTREACHING
2 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. PARTNERSHIP HAS
3 BEEN AN ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT COMPONENT IN ADVANCING THE
4 RESILIENCE AND CONSERVATION GOALS IDENTIFIED IN PLANNED BAY
5 AREA 2050'S NEWLY ADOPTED ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT. MTC AND BCDC
6 HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER ON DEVELOPMENT OF A SEA RISE
7 ADAPTATION FUNDING AND INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK, WHICH AMONG OTHER
8 THINGS WILL HELP INFORM FUTURE ITERATIONS OF PLANNED BAY AREA.
9 EARLIER THIS YEAR SAN FRANCISCO ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP RELEASED
10 2022 BLUEPRINT WHICH INCLUDED STRONG FOCUS ON IMPLEMENTATION
11 ACTIONS AND PRIORITIES FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS FOR THE BAY.
12 THE REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE CONVENED A REGIONAL CLIMATE
13 ADAPTATION LEGISLATED WORKING GROUP COMPRISED OF PARTNER
14 AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WITH RESPECT TO STATE LEGISLATION
15 AND GRANT PROGRAMS. MOVING FORWARD WITH THE REFRESH OF THE
16 PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA PLANNING FRAMEWORK THANKS TO A
17 GRANT FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND ENGAGEMENT
18 WITH PARTNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS AS WE DEVELOPING A VISION FOR
19 CLEAR GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ARE FOR THAT PROGRAM. WORK TO MAKE
20 SR37 MORE RESILIENT THANKS TO PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE FOUR
21 NORTH BAY COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES MTC AND CALTRANS
22 NORTH BAY REGIONAL CONSERVATION INVESTMENT STRATEGY IS UNDER
23 DEVELOPMENT THANKS TO GRANT FUNDING FROM CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT
24 OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND PARTNERSHIP AMONG MTC, ESTUARY
25 PARTNERSHIP, CALTRANS AND SONOMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION



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1 AUTHORITY AND FINALLY BAY AREA EQUITY STRATEGIES IS MOVING
2 FORWARD WITH A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT ELEMENTS INCLUDING CASE
3 STUDIES OF VALLEJO, RICHARD, SAN LEANDRO ALVISO, EAST PALO
4 ALTO AND REDWOOD CITY. DESPITE ACHIEVEMENTS IT'S IMPORTANT TO
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THERE HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES AS WELL
6 PARTICULARLY WHEN VIEWED THROUGH THE LENS OF KEY STRATEGY
7 SUCCESS FACTORS IN THE AREA OF AUTHORITY CONTINUING
8 DISCUSSIONS AND HOPEFULLY GETTING TO CONSENSUS WITH RESPECT TO
9 THE SCOPE OF NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE CONVERSATIONS
10 IS GOING TO BE ESSENTIAL FOR ACHIEVING OUR VISION OF A
11 SEAMLESS TRANSIT NETWORK AND MEETING OUR MOBILITY GOALS. IN
12 THE AREA OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES, THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEED
13 OVER THE 30 YEAR PLANNING HORIZON IS TRULY MASSIVE. ON THE
14 ORDER OF HUNDREDS OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. AND THE
15 TRANSPORTATION AREA, OUR COLLEAGUES IN FUNDING POLICY AND
16 PROGRAMS ESTIMATE THE POTENTIAL TRANSIT OPERATING SHORTFALL OF
17 OVER \$2 BILLION OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, WHICH REALLY COULD
18 POSE MAJOR RISK TO OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. IN THE AREA OF
19 TECHNICAL CAPACITY, I THINK THE MUCH BROADER PORTFOLIO OF WORK
20 THAT WE HAVE REVIEWED, A LOT OF NEW AND EMERGING IS
21 DEMONSTRATING THE NEED TO BUILD INTERNAL SUPPORT CAPACITY NOT
22 JUST FOR TECHNICAL PROJECT STAFF BUT ALSO FOR BUSINESS UNITS
23 SUCH AS FINANCE, CONTRACTS, LEGAL AND TECHNOLOGY SERVICES. AND
24 OBVIOUSLY ANY MEANINGFUL ADVANCES FOR PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
25 HINGE ON PUBLIC AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. ONE DISCRETE EXAMPLE OF



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1 THIS IS THE CHALLENGES WE HAVE ENCOUNTERED OVER SUCCESSIVE
2 YEARS IN GETTING AUTOMATION FOR SPEED ENFORCEMENT AND LIMITED
3 PILOT BASES THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT STRATEGY FOR OUR
4 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION GOALS IT GOES WITHOUT
5 SAYING THAT ON THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES FRONT AND POTENTIAL
6 REGIONAL REVENUE MEASURES THAT MAY FEW OF FORWARD FOR BOTH
7 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION SIGNIFICANT COALITION BUILDING IS
8 GOING TO BE NEEDED TO MAKE THIS A REALITY. NEXT SLIDE. SO, IN
9 LIGHT OF THE INITIATIVES REVIEWED AND POTENTIAL CHALLENGES WE
10 WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW FOCUS AREAS FOR 2023, ALTHOUGH
11 OBVIOUSLY A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF ANTICIPATED ACTIVITIES IS
12 AVAILABLE IN ATTACHMENT B. IN THE AREA OF ADVOCACY AND
13 LEGISLATION, WE'RE GOING TO WORK TOWARDS PLACEMENT OF AN
14 AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND ON THE NOVEMBER 2024 BALLOT AND ALSO
15 DETERMINE NEXT STEPS FOR A POTENTIAL REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
16 FUNDING MEASURE IN TERMS OF ONGOING INITIATIVE AREAS REALLY
17 DEVELOPING AND ANALYZING THOSE NETWORK MANAGEMENT CONCEPTS FOR
18 THE BAY AREA AS WELL AS CONTINUING THE IMPORTANT WORK ON THE
19 ROLL OUT OF NEXT GENERATION CLIPPER. IN THE PLANNING REALM,
20 THE BAHFA BUSINESS PLAN EQUITY FRAMEWORK AND DRAFT FUNDING
21 COMPONENTS ARE GOING TO BE PRESENTS FOR THE BOARD'S
22 CONSIDERATION AND LASTLY KICKING OFF THE NEXT UPDATE TO
23 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, INCLUDING FINANCIAL ASSUMPTIONS UPDATES
24 AND INTEGRATED CONNECTED NETWORK FUNDING. I'M GOING TO PASS ON
25 THE PRESENTATION TO MY COLLEAGUE DAVE VAUTIN.



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2 **DAVE VAUTIN:** THANKS CHIRAG AND BOARD MEMBERS. DAVE VAUTIN,
3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MAJOR PLANS AS SPOTLIGHTED THROUGH
4 TODAY'S PRESENTATION IMPLEMENTATION HAS BEEN A KEY PRIORITY
5 GOING INTO CALENDAR YEAR 2023. THAT BEING SAID WE ARE REQUIRED
6 TO UPDATE THIS REGIONAL PLAN, PLANNED BAY AREA, EVERY FOUR
7 YEARS. MEANING WE MUST DO SO BY FALL OF 2025. TODAY CHIRAG
8 SHARED A LOOK BACK AT WHERE WE HAVE BEEN AND WHERE WE ARE
9 TODAY. AND NEXT MONTH WE'LL PIVOT TO WHERE WE GO NEXT IN TERMS
10 OF OUR LONG RANGE REGIONAL PLANNING. BY REALLY FOCUSING OUR
11 EFFORTS THIS CYCLE AND BUILDING ON THE ROBUST FOUR YEAR LONG
12 PUBLIC PROCESS THAT HELPED CREATE THE BOLD VISION IN PLANNED
13 BAY AREA 2050, THIS WILL MAXIMIZE MTC AND ABAG'S ABILITY TO
14 CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT THE MANY PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE
15 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND SHARED TODAY. WE'LL BE BACK AT THESE
16 COMMITTEES IN DECEMBER TO SHARE THE EARLY PRO VIEW OF SCOPE
17 AND SCHEDULE FOR A FOCUSED UPDATE TO PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. WE
18 REFERRING TO AS PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 PLUS. NEXT SLIDE. TODAY
19 WE'RE HAPPY TO TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK ON THIS
20 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROGRESS UPDATE HIGHLIGHTING ROBUST
21 PROGRESS MADE OVER THE PAST YEAR. THANK YOU

22

23 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** CHIRAG, THANK YOU FOR THE
24 PRESENTATION. AND, YOU KNOW, DAVID, YOU AND YOUR TEAM, JUST
25 CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH, YOU KNOW, MTC STAFF THAT PUT THIS



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1 WHOLE PLAN TOGETHER, AND PUT IT IN MOTION. AND, SO, YOU KNOW,
2 AS I LOOK AT THOSE CHARGES, YOU TALK ABOUT THE AUTHORITY, THE
3 FINANCIAL CHALLENGES, AND TECHNICAL CAPACITY. AND OF COURSE,
4 THE POLITICAL AND PUBLIC SUPPORT ARE ALL VERY IMPORTANT
5 ISSUES. EACH ONE OF THOSE IS A MAJOR CHALLENGE IN ITSELF. IT
6 REALLY IS A VISIONARY PLAN, AND I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE
7 ALL SHOULD BE VERY PROUD OF, BUT JUST A TREMENDOUS ACHIEVEMENT
8 FOR THIS COMMISSION. AND I DO WANT TO ADD, YOU KNOW, I THINK
9 WHEN THERESE FIRST CAME ON, I WAS KIND OF JOKING THAT WE'RE
10 CALLED METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, WE SHOULD HAD
11 BEEN THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION HOUSING
12 COMMISSION. AND WHEN I LOOK AT THE ACHIEVEMENTS WE HAVE MADE
13 BOTH IN EQUITY AND HOUSING, THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT A
14 STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH ABAG. MAYOR ARREGUIN AND SUPERVISOR
15 RAMOS, REALLY, THEIR LEADERSHIP HAS REALLY HELPED US
16 ACCOMPLISH MANY OF THE THINGS WE'RE DOING HERE TODAY. YOU
17 KNOW, I WAS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT HAD SOME RESERVATIONS
18 ABOUT THIS RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THESE AGENCIES BUT I REALLY
19 THINK IT HAS SERVED THIS REGION REALLY L SO THANK YOU TO ALL
20 MY ABAG BOARD MEMBERS THAT ARE ON THIS, I WANT TO SAY THANK
21 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND HELPING US NAVIGATE THROUGH THIS VERY
22 DIFFICULT PLAN. YOU KNOW, FOR ME, THE NETWORK MANAGED PROCESS
23 WE'RE GOING THROUGH, THAT IS PARAMOUNT ONE OF THE MOST
24 IMPORTANT THINGS WE'RE GOING TO DO. AND I HOPE WE ALL STAY
25 CLEARLY FOCUSED ON WHAT THAT REALLY CAN ACHIEVE FOR THIS



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1 REGION AND THAT WE DON'T FALL SHORT IN REALLY PUTTING THAT IN
2 PLACE. AND I JUST WANT TO COMMEND OUR STAFF, WHO JUST
3 TREMENDOUS ACHIEVEMENTS. WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK AHEAD OF US. SO
4 I THINK THIS COMMISSION AND THE ABAG BOARD IS UP TO THE
5 CHALLENGE. SO, WITH THAT, ARE THERE OTHER COMMISSIONERS THAT
6 WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT? OKAY. I DON'T SEE ANY HANDS UP. OH
7 ALFREDO. OUR CHAIR, CHAIR ALFREDO. OUR CHAIR PEDROZA. I'M
8 SORRY.

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10 **ALFREDO PEDROZA:** THANK YOU CHAIR SPERING. AND I WANT TO ECHO
11 THOSE COMMENTS. I THINK THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ABAG
12 AND MTC LEADERSHIP IS AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH. PRESIDENT ARREGUIN
13 AND I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HAVE CONSTANT COMMUNICATION, WHICH
14 TRANSITIONS INTO SOME OF THE OUTCOMES WE'RE SEEING. SO I DO
15 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF THE ABAG LEADERSHIP FOR THEIR
16 SUPPORT ON THIS AS WELL. AND I THINK JUST GENERALLY SPEAKING
17 AS WE TALK ABOUT UPDATES AND TALK ABOUT REGIONAL PLANNING, WE
18 HAVE GOT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THE
19 BENEFITS OF WHAT REGIONAL PLANNING IS DOING IN OUR LOCAL
20 COMMUNITIES. I THINK TALKING ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION SIDE,
21 THE OUTCOMES THAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACHIEVE, I THINK THAT'S
22 GOING TO SERVE AS WELL. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE GOT TO
23 CONTINUE THAT WE'RE PULLING UP AS WE'RE HAVING THESE UPDATES
24 HOW WE TRANSITION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPACT AFFECTING



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1 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE BAY AREA RESIDENTS. THANK YOU, CHAIR
2 SPERING.

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4 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MARTHA DO WE HAVE ANY
5 PUBLIC COMMENT OR WRITTEN COMMENT FROM SPEAKERS?

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

10

11 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** OKAY. DOES STAFF HAVE ANY FINAL
12 COMMENTS? THERESE? ANY FINAL COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? AGAIN, I
13 JUST WANT TO THANK THE STAFF, AND, JUST TREMENDOUS WORK. AND,
14 AS I SAID, WE HAVE A BIG CHALLENGE AHEAD OF US. AND I KNOW,
15 COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ AND I, BOTH, BUS PRIORITY HAS GOT TO
16 BE SOMETHING WE HAVE GOT TO DO IN THE NEAR FUTURE. TO ME, IT
17 REALLY IS A MAJOR PIECE OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IF WE'RE
18 GOING TO BRING OUR TRANSIT RIDERSHIP BACK. WE HAVE GOT TO
19 REALLY STREAMLINE THAT WHOLE SYSTEM, MAKE IT A GOOD
20 EXPERIENCE. AND ONE THAT SAVES TIME. I JUST HOPE THAT,
21 THERESE, THAT WE CAN REALLY START PUTTING A HARD PRESS ON THAT
22 BUS PRIORITY. I THINK IT'S SOMETHING WITHIN OUR REACH, AND
23 SOMETHING, FOLKS, WE COULD TRY TO PURSUE HERE.

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1 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** I'LL ADD IT TO MY SHORT LIST. [LAUGHTER] AS
2 THEY SAY.

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4 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANKS. OKAY. WITH THAT --

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6 **CARLOS ROMERO:** I'M SORRY, MR. CHAIR.

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8 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** I'M SORRY.

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10 **CARLOS ROMERO:** I WAS ON MY PHONE AND JUST BACK TO COMPUTER. I
11 WANT TO SAY, WE ARE REALLY GOING TO MISS THERESE MCMILLAN. I
12 MEAN, THE PREFACE THAT SHE MADE TO THIS PRESENTATION, AND HER
13 GRASP AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE INTERCONNECTION BETWEEN
14 HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, EQUITY, AND REGIONAL GROWTH IS JUST
15 UNPARALLELED. AND SHE HAS -- WE WILL HAVE A REAL CHALLENGE
16 FINDING SOMEONE WHO -- AND I THINK IT WAS THREE YEARS AGO --
17 MAYBE IT WAS TWO AND A HALF YEARS AGO -- WHEN YOU MADE YOUR
18 INITIAL SPEECH ABOUT HOW YOU WANT TO INTEGRATE THESE THINGS.
19 IT HAS SHOWN THAT YOU HAVE DRIVEN BOTH ORGANIZATIONS, ABAG AND
20 MTC, IN THAT DIRECTION, AND SQUARELY PUT US IN A PLACE WHERE,
21 MOVING FORWARD, THIS INTEGRATION WILL CONTINUE TO HAPPEN. AND,
22 AGAIN, I THINK THERE HAS TO BE AN INTEGRATION BETWEEN ABAG AND
23 MTC IN THE FUTURE. AND I THINK THIS SETS A VERY POWERFUL
24 GROUND FOR US TO BUILD ON. SO, TO YOU, THERESE, THANK YOU VERY



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1 MUCH. AND TO STAFF, FOR A CLEAR AND COGENT PRESENTATION. THANK
2 YOU.

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4 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

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6 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THOSE COMMENTS. I
7 SERVED WITH THREE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS, LARRY, STEVE HEMINGER,
8 AND THERESE. AND ALL THREE HAVE LEFT A LEGACY THAT HAS BUILT
9 ON THE PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. AND THERESE, I THINK THIS
10 PLAN AND THE WORK WE HAVE DONE WITH THE HOUSING AND EQUITY IS
11 YOUR LEGACY. AND, SO, I, TOO, WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. JUST
12 GREAT WORK. AND WITH THAT, NOT SEEING ANY OTHER HANDS, I
13 BELIEVE WE'RE AT PUBLIC COMMENT. MARTHA DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC
14 COMMENT?

15

16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED
17 ON THIS ITEM AND THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR
18 HANDS RAISED.

19

20 **JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR:** THANK YOU STAFF. GREAT
21 PRESENTATION. VERY ENCOURAGING AND EXCITING. WITH THAT, THIS
22 MEETING IS ADJOURNED. [ADJOURNED]

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