

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Regional Network Management Committee

April 12, 2024

Agenda Item 4a

**Transit Fare Integration Initiatives Update and a Partnership Agreement Amendment –
Clipper BayPass Pilot Program: University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)
(\$6,347,250)**

Subject:

Update on ongoing transit fare integration initiatives including Clipper BayPass as well as the forthcoming no-cost/reduced-cost inter-agency transfer pilot launching with the Next Generation Clipper system as well as authorization to amend a Partnership Agreement with UCSF as part of the Clipper BayPass Pilot Program to expand the participating population at UCSF at an additional cost to UCSF of \$1,517,250 for a total contract amount of \$6,347,250.

Background:

In November 2021, the Fare Integration Task Force adopted the Fare Policy Vision Statement, directing staff to pilot a regional institutional pass product. In August 2022, the first phase of the Clipper® BayPass pilot was launched to pilot an unlimited-use product at four higher education institutions – the University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley), San Francisco State University (SFSU), San Jose State University (SJSU), and Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC) – and at 12 MidPen affordable housing properties. Preliminary program evaluation analyses indicate that individuals with Clipper BayPass take about 40% more transit trips than their peers with access to just a single-agency pass.

A 2nd phase of the pilot began in January 2024 and will go through June 30, 2026, in which Clipper® BayPass will be made available for sale to up to 10 employers and up to 20,000 individuals across the 10 institutions. This phase will continue to assess the impact of a regional unlimited pass on transit ridership and customer experience, as well as the financial and operational feasibility of such a program. UCSF is one of the first partner institutions in Phase 2 and entered into an agreement with MTC for \$4,830,000. UCSF has expressed a desire to expand the participating population to include its on-campus student body. This action seeks authorization to amend the Partnership Agreement with UCSF to increase the contract amount by \$1,517,250 to \$6,347,250.

Contract Actions:


Under the proposed partnership agreement, UCSF will be purchasing the Clipper® BayPass from MTC for a subset of its employees and its on-campus student body. MTC will provide UCSF with access to the Clipper® Institutional Pass Portal, which will allow UCSF to add the Clipper® BayPass onto Clipper cards for eligible employees. These employees will be able to access unlimited use of the region's transit services on Clipper®.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Regional Network Management Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into an amendment to the partnership agreement to reflect an amount not to exceed \$6,347,250.

Attachments:

- Request for Committee Approval - Summary of Partnership Agreement
- PowerPoint


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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Partnership Agreement Amendment

Work Item No.: 1517

Partner: University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)
San Francisco, California

Work Project Title: Clipper BayPass Pilot – Phase 2

Purpose of Project: To pilot the sale of a regional institutional pass product with employers in the region

Brief Scope of Work: MTC will provide UCSF with the ability to activate Clipper BayPass passes on employee/student Clipper Cards, which will enable unlimited travel on the region’s transit services on the Clipper system.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$6,347,250

Funding Source: N/A

Fiscal Impact: An additional \$1,517,250 will be collected from UCSF under this contract amendment for a total contract amount of \$6,347,250. Revenues collected will be used to reimburse transit operators for trips taken with the Clipper BayPass. Any revenues collected in excess of the cost of trips taken will be directed to offset pilot costs up to \$1,000,000.

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into an amendment to the Partnership Agreement to reflect an amount not to exceed \$6,347,250 with UCSF for the term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, as part of the Clipper BayPass pilot program described above and in the Regional Network Management Committee Summary Sheet dated April 12, 2024.

Regional Network
Management Committee:

David Rabbitt, Chair

Approved: April 12, 2024