Agenda Item 4 - Public Comment

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Sent: Monday, December 17, 2018 4:50 PM **To:** MTC Info <<u>info@bayareametro.gov</u>>

Subject: I 680 Express Lanes

Hello,

This is a request for you to raise the rates on the I 680 express lanes between Walnut Creek and Pleasanton. I have a long commute, and my carpool would ideally make it much shorter. Unfortunately, the price cap on the express lanes means that we drive barely any faster than the non-express lanes. Typically we move barely any faster than the crawling traffic in the non-express lanes.

I would like to request that you consider increasing the price for non-carpools to purchase carpool passes beyond \$8.00, and continue to increase it incrementally until such time as the express lanes move at a rate that is reasonable compensation for the extra work carpool drivers are undertaking.

If there is a board/committee meeting at which I could make my request formal, I would be happy to do so.

Thanks,

Jeremy Lawson