

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

September 23, 2020

Agenda Item 8a

MTC Resolution No. 4437 and ABAG Resolution No. 16-2020: Plan Bay Area 2050: Final Blueprint

Subject: Proposed action on revisions to Strategies and Growth Geographies for Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint, as well as the Regional Growth Forecast.

Background: On September 11, 2020, the MTC Planning Committee and the ABAG Administrative Committee met jointly and received a report on proposed action on revisions to strategies and growth geographies for the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint and the regional growth forecast. The report included feedback from the public and stakeholders received over the course of the summer.

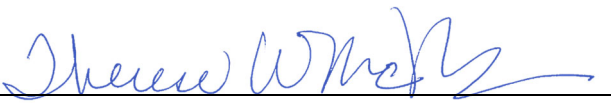
The committees unanimously recommended approval of the item to the ABAG Executive Board and MTC Commission, with an amendment from Commissioner Liccardo requesting prioritization of funding for Caltrain grade separations towards projects that serve the dual purpose of connecting High-Speed Rail to the Bay Area and improving the Caltrain system.

Staff will report on the MTC Planning Committee and ABAG Administrative Committee recommendations of MTC Resolution No. 4437 and ABAG Resolution No. 16-2020, respectively, which adopts the Final Blueprint Strategies, Final Blueprint Growth Geographies, and the Regional Growth Forecast. The report will include recommended changes reflecting the motion by MTC Commissioner Liccardo.

Issues: None

Recommendation: Refer MTC Resolution No. 4437, to the Commission for approval.

Attachments: A. Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint – Summer 2020 Engagement & Proposed Revisions (*from the September 11th committee meeting*)


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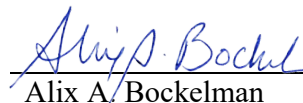
**Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments
Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee**

September 11, 2020

Agenda Item 6a

MTC Resolution No. 4437 and ABAG Resolution No. 16-202: Plan Bay Area 2050: Final Blueprint

- Subject:** Proposed action on revisions to Strategies and Growth Geographies for the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint, as well as the Regional Growth Forecast.
- Background:** As discussed in items 5a and 5b, staff sought feedback from the public and from stakeholders over the course of the summer on the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint. That robust feedback informed recommendations for the revised Strategies and Growth Geographies as described in item 5a. Staff is recommending that the Commission and the ABAG Executive Board approve the Strategies, Growth Geographies, and Regional Growth Forecast for the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint at this time to enable analysis over the course of the fall.
- Issues:** None identified.
- Recommendation:** Staff are requesting that the MTC Commission and ABAG Executive Board approve MTC Resolution No. 4437 and ABAG Resolution No. 16-2020, respectively, which integrate revisions discussed in agenda item 5a. The resolutions adopt the Final Blueprint Strategies, Final Blueprint Growth Geographies, and the Regional Growth Forecast. Staff will then analyze this package of Final Blueprint strategies and report back on forecasted outcomes by the end of the year, at which time staff will seek approval of the Final Blueprint as the Preferred Alternative in the context of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
- Attachments:** Attachment A: MTC Resolution No. 4437
Attachment B: ABAG Resolution No. 16-2020


Alix A. Bockelman

Date: September 23, 2020
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: Planning

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4437

This resolution approves the Final Blueprint Strategies, the Final Blueprint Growth Geographies, and the Regional Growth Forecast for Plan Bay Area 2050.

Further discussion of this subject is contained in the Planning Committee Summary Sheet dated September 11, 2020.

Date: September 23, 2020
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: Planning

Re: Approval of the Final Blueprint Strategies, Final Blueprint Growth Geographies, and Regional Growth Forecast for Plan Bay Area 2050

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 4437

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 65080 et seq. requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with the ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, Plan Bay Area 2050 (“Plan”) will serve as the region’s next-generation plan, ultimately serving as the Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first Plan Bay Area in 2013 (Plan Bay Area 2013) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second Plan Bay Area in 2017 (Plan Bay Area 2040) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the Vision for Plan Bay Area 2050 in September 2019, emphasizing that resilient and equitable strategies should be prioritized to ensure

by the year 2050 the Bay Area is affordable, connected, diverse, healthy, and vibrant for all (MTC Resolution No. 4393 and ABAG Resolution No. 09-19); and

WHEREAS, ABAG approved the Regional Growth Forecast Methodology in September 2019, which guided the development of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Regional Growth Forecast; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Growth Forecast was shared in draft form in spring 2020 and subsequently updated to reflect significant economic impacts from the coronavirus pandemic and the 2020 recession over the first ten years of the planning horizon; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG approved the analysis of the 25 Strategies for the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint in February 2020 as well as the corresponding Growth Geographies (MTC Resolution No. 4410 and ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020); and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG released the Draft Blueprint Findings in early July 2020 showcasing successes and shortcomings through dozens of virtual events for public and stakeholder feedback; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG received more than 3,400 comments and engaged more than 7,600 participants in the public engagement process on the Draft Blueprint during July and August 2020 that informed the revised recommendations for the Final Blueprint phase; and

WHEREAS, the revised Strategies and Growth Geographies integrate feedback to better address the five challenges identified in the Draft Blueprint phase, including the goal of meeting or exceeding the state-mandated greenhouse gas reduction target, in alignment with the adopted Vision for Plan Bay Area 2050; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that MTC hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MTC, as a decision-making body, hereby adopts the Strategies, Growth Geographies, and Regional Growth Forecast as listed in the MTC Planning Committee item dated September 11th, 2020, and authorizes staff to analyze associated outcomes in the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

This resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California, and at other remote locations, on September 23, 2020.

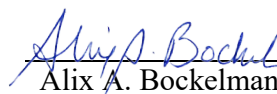
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Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee**

September 11, 2020

Agenda Item 5a

Plan Bay Area 2050: Final Blueprint – Summer 2020 Engagement & Proposed Revisions

- Subject:** Summary of summer 2020 Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint engagement efforts, key feedback received to inform the Final Blueprint, and proposed revisions to Strategies and Growth Geographies for final phase of analysis.
- Background:** The Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint phase, built upon the foundation of the Horizon initiative to plan for resilient and equitable strategies in an uncertain future, culminated in July 2020 with the release of the Draft Blueprint findings to the public. Over the course of summer 2020, MTC/ABAG staff engaged in robust dialogue with the public and stakeholders across the nine-county Bay Area. The intent of this engagement was to seek feedback on the strategies and potential outcomes from the Draft Blueprint, followed by revisions to Strategies and Growth Geographies for the Final Blueprint analysis this fall.
- Issues:** Despite notable successes highlighted in the Draft Blueprint analysis, five major challenges were not fully addressed in the first phase of Blueprint planning. Feedback this summer focused on how to overcome challenges related to affordable housing, congestion and transit overcrowding, displacement risk, greenhouse gas emissions, and jobs-housing imbalance in the Final Blueprint phase. Feedback from this process is summarized in **Attachments B through E**, and staff recommendations for the Final Blueprint to overcome these challenges is summarized in **Attachments F through J**.
- Recommendation:** Information only – *staff are recommending action on these items under agenda item 6a.*
- Attachments:**
- Attachment A: Presentation
 - Attachment B: Plan Bay Area 2050 — Round 2 Engagement
 - Attachment C: Public Engagement — Letters Received during Public Comment Period
 - Attachment D: Public Engagement — Letters Received after Public Comment Period
 - Attachment E: Local Engagement — Office Hours Summary
 - Attachment F: Final Blueprint — Revisions to Strategies and Growth Geographies
 - Attachment G: Final Blueprint — Regional Growth Forecast
 - Attachment H: Final Blueprint — Growth Geographies
 - Attachment I: Final Blueprint — Strategy Descriptions
 - Attachment J: Final Blueprint — Fiscally-Constrained Projects
(integrated into Transportation Strategies)


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