

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
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Chair and Commission Members;

On October 14, 2020 the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Policy Advisory Council (PAC) received the same report from SPUR and Seamless Bay Area that was presented to the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force (BRTRTF) on September 14, 2020. This presentation was made as part of the Chair's Report which includes the Chair's activities as a member of the BRTRTF.

During the following discussion, the PAC voted unanimously to ask that the BRTRTF and MTC adopt the "Recommendations for the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force & Transformation Action Plan" (see next page) as guiding principles.

This PAC considers this a starting point, not an entire package, to fulfill the intent of the BRTRTF's third goal: transformation. Independent analysis that brings all parties to the table will allow us to develop a true regional system that helps agencies serve the needs of their local constituents while becoming part of an integrated whole.

We recognize the immediate issues all transit agencies face and the operational problems during this phase of the crisis. This request should not be considered, in any way, a rebuke or dismissal of the work agencies have done to date.

It is, however, a statement of our desire to rebuild in an equitable and sustainable manner. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randi Kinman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Randi Kinman, Chair
Metropolitan Transportation Commission Policy Advisory Council

Recommendations for Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force

& Transformation Action Plan

While supporting Stage 2 recovery and alignment efforts initiated by transit agencies, the Blue Ribbon Task Force should...

1. Support the long term goal of a connected, equitable, efficient, and rider-focused transit system across the Bay Area that has integrated service, fares, schedules, and customer information, and a common identity.
2. Identify governance and funding reforms, including legislation, that support creation of an effective transportation network manager in the Bay Area with the authority and mandate to integrate all forms of Bay Area transit.
3. Fully analyze of options for transit agency consolidations and their potential to support a more integrated, accessible, rider-focused system.
4. Bring on relevant subject matter experts with domestic and global expertise in effective transportation governance and organization to complete the analysis of governance and funding.