

Bay Area Metro Center 375 Beale Street San Francisco, CA 94105

# **Meeting Minutes**

## **Metropolitan Transportation Commission**

Alfredo Pedroza, Chair Nick Josefowitz, Vice Chair

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

9:35 AM

Board Room - 1st Floor (REMOTE)

#### **Call Remote Meeting to Order**

#### 1. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

Present: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner

Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering, and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

Non-Voting Commissioners Present: Commissioner Giacopini Non-Voting Commissioners Absent: Commissioner El-Tawansy

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance / Acknowledgement of the Flag

Commissioner Miley arrived during the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 3. Compensation Announcement (Clerk)
- 4. Chair's Report (Pedroza)

21-0715 New Commissioner Appointment

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, the Commission unanimously approved the Committee Assignments for new Commissioner Victoria Fleming. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

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**4a.** <u>21-0657</u> MTC Resolution No. 4476 - Resolution of Appreciation for Jim Macrae on

the occasion of his retirement from MTC.

Action: Commission Approval

Upon the motion by Commissioner Worth and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4476. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**4b.** <u>21-0658</u> MTC Resolution No. 4477 - Resolution of Appreciation for Joel Markowitz on the occasion of his retirement from MTC.

Action: Commission Approval

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Glover, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4477. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

- 5. Policy Advisory Council Report (Randi Kinman)
- 6. Executive Director's Report (McMillan)

21-0697 E.D. Report

- 7. Commissioner Comments
- 8. Consent Calendar:

Upon the motion by Commissioner Worth and the second by Commissioner Glover, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

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**8a.** <u>21-0551</u> Minutes of the March 24, 2021 meeting

Action: Commission Approval

**8b.** 21-0553 Monthly Report of Transit Operator Statistics on Healthy Transit Plan

Performance

Action: Information

#### **Programming and Allocations Committee**

**8c.** <u>21-0434</u> MTC Resolution No. 3685, Revised. Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Project

35: Rescission of \$1.6 million and allocation of \$2.1 million in RM2 funds to MTC to engage a consultant to implement recommendations of the Blue

Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force.

Action: Commission Approval

<u>Presenter:</u> Anne Spevack

**8d.** 21-0446 MTC Resolution No. 4412, Revised. Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Letters of

No Prejudice to the Alameda County Transportation Commission for the SR-262 (Mission Blvd) Cross Connector Project, and to the Solano Transportation Authority for the I-80 Westbound Truck Scales Project.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Kenneth Kao

**8e.** 21-0453 MTC Resolution No. 4428, Revised. Regional Measure 2 (RM2). Revision

to Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating and Marketing Program to adjust the ferry program and make minor changes to the marketing program.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Terence Lee

**8f.** <u>21-0431</u> MTC Resolution No. 4475, Revised. 2021 Transportation Improvement

Program (TIP) Amendment 2021-03

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Adam Crenshaw

**8g.** <u>21-0527</u> MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised. Revisions to the One Bay Area Grant

2 Program (OBAG 2) to change the federal fund source of \$13.9 million for

the Golden Gate Bridge Suicide Deterrent System project.

Action: Commission Approval

<u>Presenter:</u> Mallory Atkinson

**8h.** 21-0541 MTC Resolution Nos. 4453, Revised and 4461. Programming of FTA

Section 5311 Rural Area funds: \$4.7 million in Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Section 5311 funds

and \$1.8 million in FY2020-21 Section 5311 formula funds.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Craig Bosman

#### Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee

**8i.** 21-0318 Advocacy Principles to Guide Legislation Aimed at Improving the Bay

Area's Transit System. Advocacy principles to guide MTC's legislative advocacy regarding Assemblymember Chiu's anticipated 2021 legislation aimed at improving the performance and connectivity of the Bay Area's

public transit system.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

#### **Committee Reports**

#### 9. Administration Committee (Glover)

**9a.** <u>21-0472</u> MTC Resolution No. 4421, Revised - FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment No. 3

A request that the Committee refer MTC Resolution No. 4421, Revised, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (OWP), Amendment No. 3 to the Commission, which decreases our final grant transportation planning funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) PL by \$487,343 and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 planning funds by \$173,178. Although MTC has a funding rescission, MTC is still committed to completing the transportation planning activities for FY 2020-21. This also includes revisions to the scope of work and revenue and expenses line items within work elements.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Brian Mayhew

Upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4421, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**9b.** <u>21-0473</u> MTC Resolution No. 4458 - FY 2021-22 Overall Work Program (OWP),

Planning Certification, and Authorization for Execution of Agreements for

Federal and State Planning Grants.

A request for approval of the FY 2021-22 OWP, which guides the collaborative metropolitan transportation planning process involving MTC, ABAG, Caltrans, and other local transportation partners and for

authorization to enter into agreements for transportation planning funds.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Brian Mayhew

Upon the motion by Commissioner Glover and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4458. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

#### 10. Programming and Allocations Committee (Rabbit)

**10a.** 21-0445 MTC Resolution Nos. 4202, Revised and 4412, Revised. Adoption of

Senate Bill 1 Alternate Funding Plan for RM3 funds and RM3 Letters of No

Prejudice

Adoption of alternate funding plan for Senate Bill 1 (SB1) projects with matching Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funds, to maintain delivery commitments.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Kenneth Kao

Upon the motion by Commissioner Papan and the second by Commissioner Connolly, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution Nos. 4202,  $\,$ 

Revised and 4412, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

10b. 21-0433 MTC Resolution No. 4403, Revised. 2021 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5 Program of Projects.

The 2021 Regional ATP Cycle 5 provides \$37 million in new programming covering FY2021-22 through FY2024-25. Staff recommendations are based on a competitive evaluation of project applications.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Karl Anderson

Upon the motion by Commissioner Papan and the second by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4403, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

10c. 21-0454 MTC Resolution Nos. 4430, Revised and 4431, Revised. An allocation of \$124 million in FY 2020-21 Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to various operators.

Initial allocation of \$48 million to Samtrans and additional allocation of funds to other operators based on revised FY 2020-21 revenue projections included in the FY 2021-22 Fund Estimate, MTC Resolution 4450 adopted in February 2021.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Terence Lee

Roland Lebrun was called to speak.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Papan and the second by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution Nos. 4430, Revised and 4431, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**10d.** 21-0470 MTC Resolution Nos. 4456, 4457, 4169, Revised, and 4272, Revised

Programming of \$506.3 million in FTA Formula Revenues, AB 664 Bridge Tolls, and BATA Project Savings for FY 2020-21, for transit operator state-of-good-repair consistent with the Transit Capital Priorities (TCP) Process and Criteria, including discussion of a proposed plan for financing against future FTA revenues. Updates to the FY2016-17-FY 2019-20 TCP Program totaling approximately \$41 million.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Craig Bosman

Aleta Dupree was called to speak.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Papan and the second by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution Nos. 4456, 4457, 4169, Revised, and 4272, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

### 11. Operations Committee (Dutra-Vernaci)

**11a.** 21-0426 Regional Express Lanes Strategic Plan

Adoption of a Bay Area Express Lanes Strategic Plan, which links the broader Express Lanes Network purpose, goals, and strategies to the regional strategic goals of Plan Bay Area 2050. Based on over a year of research and collaboration with Bay Area express lane partners, staff proposes recommendations and near-term actions that represent concrete steps to move the Express Lanes Network forward and link it to regional strategic goals.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Jim Macrae

Aleta Dupree was called to speak.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously adopted the Regional Express Lanes Strategic Plan. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

#### 12. Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee (Liccardo)

**12a.** 21-0534 Assembly Bill 629 (Chiu): Seamless and Resilient Transit Act

Requires MTC to designate transit priority corridors to support fast and reliable transit service and to create a pilot of a multi-operator transit fare pass. MTC develop a regional transit mapping and wayfinding system and operators comply with it by a specified date. Sets new rules for transit operators with respect to real time transit information.

Action: Support and Seek Amendments / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Written public comments were received from Rick Coates, Rebecca Ratcliff, Stephanie Beechem, Deborah Armstrong, Frank Viggiano, Dahni-El, Kristal Caidoy, and Alison McDougall-Weil.

The following members of the public were called to speak: Sheila Gun-Cushman, Roland Lebrun, and Aleta Dupree.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Commission unanimously adopted a support and seek amendments on AB 629. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**12b.** 21-0393 Resiliency/Climate Adaptation Advocacy Principles

Adopt advocacy principles to guide legislative engagement on climate adaptation legislation, including but not limited to: Assembly Bill 11 (Ward), Assembly Bill 50 (Boerner-Horvath), and Assembly Bill 51 (Quirk) and Assembly Bill 897 (Mullin) as well as resilience-related bond proposals, Assembly Bill 1500 (Garcia) and Senate Bill 45 (Portantino). And update on actions taken by the ABAG Executive Board since the Committees' action and referral on March 12, 2021 will be presented by staff.

<u>Action:</u> Support / ABAG Executive Board Approval Support / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Chavez, this Report was adopted a support position on the Resiliency/Climate Adaptation Advocacy Principles. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**12c.** <u>21-0530</u> Assembly Bill 917 (Bloom): Camera-Based Enforcement for Transit Stops and Transit Only Lanes

Expands an existing pilot program authorizing camera-based enforcement for parking violations in a transit-only traffic lane or transit stop or station.

Action: Support / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Schaaf, the Commission unanimously adopted a support position on AB 917. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**12d.** 21-0531 Assembly Bill 476 (Mullin): Transit Bus on Shoulder Pilot Program

Authorizes the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to establish a pilot program of up to eight projects allowing for the operation of transit buses on the shoulders of state highways.

Action: Support and Seek Amendments / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Connolly, the Commission unanimously adopted a support and seek amendments position on AB 476. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**12e.** 21-0533 Assembly Bill 43 (Friedman): Vision Zero-Setting Speed Limits to

**Enhance Roadway Safety** 

Provides greater flexibility to local jurisdictions to set speed limits on

streets with high injuries and fatalities.

Action: Support / ABAG Executive Board Approval

Support / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long and Shruti Hari

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Schaaf, the Commission adopted a support position on AB 43. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly,

Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover,
Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner
Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

**12f.** 21-0532 Assembly Bill 550 (Chiu): Vision Zero: Speed Safety Cameras

Establishes a speed-safety camera pilot program in highway work and

local zones.

Action: Support / ABAG Executive Board Approval

Support / MTC Commission Approval

Presenter: Rebecca Long and Shruti Hari

Upon the motion by Commissioner Liccardo and the second by Commissioner Schaaf, the Commission unanimously adopted a support position on AB 550. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

#### 13. Commission Approval

**13a**. 21-0552

Public Transit Network Management Evaluation: Bay Area Transit Organization Structure Consultant Bench, Category C: VIA Architecture, Inc. (\$200,000)

A request for Commission approval to negotiate and enter into a contract with VIA Architecture, Inc. for the term of May 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021 to inform the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force's (BRTRTF) evaluation of public transit network management options.

Action: Commission Approval

Presenter: Therese McMillan (Shruti Hari)

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Worth, the Commission unanimously approved the Bay Area Transit Organization Structure Consultant Bench with VIA Architecture, Inc. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Chair Pedroza, Vice Chair Josefowitz, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Fleming, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Miley, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Rabbitt

#### 14. Public Comment / Other Business

Written public comment was received from Amanda Brown Stevens of Greenbelt Alliance and also signed by David Lewis of Save the Bay, Alice Kaufman of Green Foothills, Andrea Mackenzie of Open Space Authority, Liz O'Donoghue of The Nature Conservancy, Rev. Earl W. Koteen of Green the Church, Bob Berman of Solano County Orderly Growth Committee, Jerry Kent of Claremont Canyon Conservancy, and Annie Burke of TOGETHER Bay Area.

The following members of the public were called to speak: Roland Lebrun, Sheila Gun-Cushman, and Aleta Dupree.

21-0700 Public Comment

#### 15. Adjournment / Next Meetings:

The next meeting of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 9:35 a.m. remotely and by webcast. Any changes to the schedule will be duly noticed to the public.