Metropolitan Transportation Commission

March 26, 2025

Agenda Item 9c - 25-0517

Senate Bill 63 (Wiener/Arreguin): Bay Area Transportation Revenue Measure

Subject:

Senate Bill (SB) 63 (Wiener/Arreguín), the regional transportation revenue measure authorizing legislation.

Background:

Last month the Commission adopted principles to guide MTC advocacy on SB 63 (See Attachment A). Since then, Commission staff and leadership have met with the bill authors multiple times to communicate MTC's priorities. Commissioners who participated in MTC's legislative visits on March 18-19 also had a chance to share the Commission's general support for authorization of a regional measure to avert the transit fiscal cliff and fund transit transformation with numerous members of the Bay Area delegation in the context of also making a case for the state to increase its support for transit operations (See Attachment B).

At the time this memo was finalized, SB 63 had not yet been amended but substantive amendments must be in print by the *date* of the Commission's meeting – March 26. Given the bill will likely be heard in the Senate Transportation Committee before the Commission's next meeting, the meeting offers a "just in time" opportunity for the Commission to take a position on the bill and consider sponsorship, assuming language is available for review by the time the meeting occurs. Staff will provide a verbal update at your meeting along with actual bill language to the extent available.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendation:

To be provided at meeting, pending review of bill language

Attachments:

- Attachment A: MTC Advocacy Principles on SB 63 (Summary sheet from Item 12b, February Commission meeting)
- Attachment B: State Action Needed to Secure Bay Area Transit's Future

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