

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

October 23, 2024

Agenda Item 8b - 24-1293

MTC Resolution No. 4671.

Design Immunity for the Regional Mapping and Wayfinding Project

Subject:

Pursuant to MTC Resolution No. 4605, Establishment of Process for Approval of Design Plans and Procedures for Delegation of Approval Authority, delegate to specified staff the authority to approve plans and future design changes for the Regional Mapping and Wayfinding Project.

Background:

As a key action item in the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force's Transformation Action Plan, the Regional Mapping and Wayfinding Project (RMWP) is developing a harmonized mapping and wayfinding system to help people navigate the Bay Area's transit network. Whether a person is traveling by bus, rail, ferry, or a combination, the goal is to make signs, maps and communication systems cohesive across all nine Bay Area counties.

To create wayfinding guidelines, MTC and transit agencies are developing physical signs, maps and other navigational materials to test at nine complex multimodal transfer hubs throughout the region and a selection of end-to-end bus routes in Sonoma and Solano Counties. MTC has engaged a consultant team to perform planning, design, engineering and fabrication work of wayfinding elements. This fall, MTC will direct the installation of these materials at El Cerrito del Norte BART station, the Santa Rosa Transit Mall and SMART station, and San Francisco's Powell Street station, followed by other locations in 2025 and 2026. Should sufficient funding be secured, the RMWP would ultimately encompass transit facilities and stops throughout the entire nine-county Bay Area.

Design Immunity:

In September 2023, MTC approved MTC Resolution No. 4605, Establishment of Process for Approval of Design Plans and Procedures for Delegation of Approval Authority, which provides the process for securing immunity pursuant to Government Code section 830.6. The proposed MTC Resolution No. 4671 would delegate to specified staff the authority to approve plans and future design changes for the Regional Mapping and Wayfinding Project. Authorized staff would be delegated the responsibility to review and approve the reasonableness of the plans and changes to the design and plans as represented by Project consultants or by others.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Approve MTC Resolution No. 4671

Attachments:

Attachment A: MTC Resolution No. 4671



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