

Memorandum

Date: 3.19.19 **RE:** TIMMA Board
March 19, 2019

To: Treasure Island Mobility Management Agency Board: Commissioners Haney (Chair), Walton (Vice Chair), Brown, Fewer, Mar, Mandelman, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Yee

From: Tilly Chang – Executive Director 

Subject: **INFORMATION** – Executive Director’s Report

REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL ISSUES

Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Grant Program – Application Submitted:

In February, Mercy Housing and the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA) submitted an application to the state Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) grant program for the FY19 cycle. The AHSC program funds affordable housing and supportive transit-oriented transportation infrastructure. The transportation components of the funding request include all-electric bus vehicles for AC Transit, as well as a contribution to a new pedestrian-bicycle connection on Yerba Buena Island between the east span path touchdown and the new intermodal terminal on Treasure Island. Up to \$15M is available for housing and \$5M for transportation. Award announcements are anticipated for Summer 2019.

Priority Conservation Area Grant Program – Application Submitted: This past month, we also submitted an application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for funds in the Priority Conservation Area (PCA) grant program. Treasure Island is part of the regional PCA designation due to the portions of the Bay Trail that edge the Island, specifically the Yerba Buena Island Bike Path. The Yerba Buena Island Bike Path Project is a joint effort to create a safe and accessible multi-use bicycle/pedestrian path that will allow users to travel from the current Vista Point on Yerba Buena Island to Treasure Island waterfront. The project is a collaborative effort between the SFCTA, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), TIDA, and Caltrans. This project will also help current efforts to build bike/pedestrian paths linking San Francisco and Oakland, such as the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA)’s proposed bike/pedestrian path from downtown San Francisco to YBI via the west span of the Bay Bridge, closing a critical gap in the Transbay and Bay Trail corridors between San Francisco and Oakland.

Water Emergency Transportation Agency – Board Updates: In February, the Board of the Water Emergency Transportation Agency (WETA) invited staff to present an update on our water transit service planning activities. In coordination with WETA staff, Deputy for Capital Projects Eric Cordoba presented initial thinking on service demand and phasing. We are working with WETA staff to develop cost and service plan proposals focused on the first 5 years of operation.

LOCAL ISSUES

Fiscal Year 2019 Work Program – Spring/Summer Outreach Planned: This past quarter, staff has prepared technical analysis of additional toll policy options, focusing on affordability provisions such as

exempting current residents. This spring and summer, we anticipate a series of community outreach and involvement events around the new policy concepts. With current Island businesses, we are planning a series of “co-creation” sessions to identify a package of transportation supportive concepts for businesses. We will work closely with Chair Haney’s office to plan and conduct the outreach. Additionally, TIDA has invited us to provide updates at the April TIDA Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) and on-Island Board meetings.