



DRAFT MINUTES

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Tuesday, December 15, 2016

1. Roll Call

Chair Wiener called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present at Roll Call: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (11)

2. Chair's Report – INFORMATION

Chair Wiener reported that over the past year, the Transportation Authority collaborated with agency and community partners to achieve a number of important milestones for the city's transportation system, including wins at the federal, state and local levels. He thanked Commissioner Cohen for serving as Vice Chair, as well as Commissioner Tang for leading the Plans and Programs Committee and Commissioner Avalos for heading the Finance Committee. He said that throughout the year, the Transportation Authority had joined with transportation agencies across the country to successfully advocate for the first multi-year federal transportation bill since 2005. He said the five-year Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act would bring greater stability to San Francisco and Bay Area highway and transit programs in the coming years. He said that at the state level, cap and trade funds continued to generate revenue for the city's transit systems, such as the expansion of Muni's light rail vehicle fleet and development of high-speed rail to better connect the growing region and state.

Chair Wiener said that at the local level, the voter approved sales tax and other Transportation Authority-managed funds played a key role in attracting state and federal dollars, as well as filling funding gaps. He said that in 2015, the Transportation Authority celebrated the opening of the new Presidio Parkway and oversaw steady progress on Muni's Central Subway extension, Van Ness Avenue Bus Rapid Transit, Better Market Street and the Transbay Transit Center. He said the local funds also supported many neighborhood improvements and Vision Zero safety projects, from new crosswalks and bike lanes to street repaving and traffic signals all across the city. He said the Transportation Authority's regional coordination efforts also helped secure the expansion of Bay Area Bikeshare, slated to increase San Francisco's fleet ten-fold over the next two years. He said looking ahead to 2016, it would be important for San Francisco to keep investing locally and regionally, as the city's public transit systems and roadways struggled to keep up with growing demands. He said that this investment would be crucial to the affordability, livability and economic vitality of the city and region, and that he looked forward to continued success at the Transportation Authority in 2016.

There was no public comment.

3. Executive Director's Report – INFORMATION

Tilly Chang, Executive Director, said she would forego the Executive Director's Report this month and would instead be presenting the Annual Report during Item 9.

There was no public comment.

4. Approve the Minutes of the December 15, 2015 Meeting – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The minutes were approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (11)

5. Election of Chair and Vice Chair – ACTION

Commissioner Campos moved to nominate Commissioner Avalos for Chair of the Transportation Authority, seconded by Commissioner Mar.

Commissioner Cohen moved to nominate Commissioner Wiener for Chair of the Transportation Authority, seconded by Commissioner Breed.

Commissioner Avalos stated that he had served as Chair of the Transportation Authority in 2013 and 2014 and believed it was important to rotate leadership. He said that he would support Commissioner Wiener for Chair and respectfully declined the nomination from Commissioner Campos.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Wiener was elected Chair by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (10)

Absent: Commissioner Kim (1)

Commissioner Peskin moved to nominate Commissioner Mar for Vice Chair of the Transportation Authority, seconded by Commissioner Yee.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mar was elected Vice Chair by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (10)

Absent: Commissioner Kim (1)

Items from the Finance Committee

6. Award a Three-Year Consultant Contract to Arup, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,150,000, for Planning and Engineering Services for the San Francisco Long Range Transportation Planning Program, and Authorize the Executive Director to Negotiate Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (10)

Absent: Commissioner Kim (1)

7. Approve the 2016 State and Federal Legislative Program – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (10)

Absent: Commissioner Kim (1)

Items from the Plans and Programs Committee

8. Appoint Richard Hashimoto and William Newsom to the Geary Corridor Bus Rapid Transit Citizens Advisory Committee – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Mar, Peskin, Tang and Wiener (9)

Absent: Commissioners Kim and Yee (2)

Items for Direct Board Consideration

9. Adopt the 2015 Annual Report – ACTION

Tilly Chang, Executive Director, presented the Annual Report in lieu of the Executive Director's Report.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee (11)

Other Items

10. Introduction of New Items – INFORMATION

There was no public comment.

11. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.