



# DRAFT MINUTES

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 14, 2014

### 1. Roll Call

Chair Cohen called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. The following members were:

**Present at Roll Call:** Commissioners Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Tang, and Wiener (5)

### Consent Calendar

2. **Approve the Minutes of the December 10, 2013 Meeting – ACTION**
3. **Recommend Approval of the Revised Administrative Code, the Revised Rules of Order, and the Revised Debt, Fiscal, and Procurement Policies and Ratification of the Investment Policy – ACTION**

There was no public comment.

The Consent Calendar was approved, without objection.

### End of Consent Calendar

4. **Recommend Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute an Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement with Treasure Island Development Authority for the I-80/Yerba Buena Island Interchange Improvement Project to Defer the Initial Loan Payment by One Year and Restructured the Repayment Structure Schedule While Maintaining the Deadline for Full Repayment of the Loan by December 31, 2016 – ACTION**

Cynthia Fong, Deputy Director for Finance and Administration, and Bob Beck, Development Director, Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Tang asked what contingency plans were in place if the transfer of land didn't occur per the expected timeline.

Mr. Beck responded that the overall schedule provided for full repayment. He said that the payment was originally due after the close of escrow for the transfer of land to the developer or by December 31, 2013. He stated that the proposed amendment modified the schedule for repayment of the loan to align with the transfer of land from TIDA to the US Navy so that developer delays in completing the First Major Phase Application would not affect the deadline for payment.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved, without objection.

**5. State and Federal Legislative Update – INFORMATION**

Mark Watts, State Legislative Advocate for the Transportation Authority, presented the item.

Mr. Watts said that the draft Fiscal Year 2014/15 state budget was significantly higher than last year's, and as a result the Governor's proposal included the establishment of a budget reserve, contributions to a rainy day fund, and significant revenues for transportation. He explained that the budget included full release of the remaining Prop 1B public transit commitments and early repayment of prior-year loans of transportation funds to the general fund. He stated that the Governor also included \$850 million in cap-and-trade revenue in the budget for the first time since the program's initiation and proposed spending \$250 million of the revenues on high-speed rail (HSR), \$50 million on transit connectivity projects, \$100 million for projects that support sustainable communities strategy plans, and \$200 million for energy efficient vehicles.

Mr. Watts reported that the Statewide Infrastructure Plan, anticipated to be released soon, would likely focus on maintenance of the state transportation system. He expected additional detail on the budget proposal in the budget trailer bill language.

Mr. Watts announced that Transportation California had submitted initiative proposals to the State for a 1% annual fee on the price of vehicles, similar to the existing vehicle license fee. He said that the revenues were proposed to be split between cities, counties, and the state for road maintenance and repair with a small portion committed to transit. He reported that the initiative language had been approved by the Legislative Analyst's Office and the Attorney General and that polling would begin immediately on the approved language.

Mr. Watts stated that a legal decision in the fall had stalled the release of additional HSR bond funds, but that the California High-Speed Rail Authority was working to address the court's concern about the project's funding plan. He said two HSR-related initiatives were submitted to the Attorney General: one to reallocate bonds to a high-tech pneumatic tube system and another to permanently halt the project. He added that construction on the initial HSR segment would begin soon with federal funds.

Tilly Chang, Executive Director, reported that she was coordinating with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency and the Mayor's Office regarding attendance at the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) legislative conference and a trip that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) was taking to Sacramento. She encouraged Commissioners to consider participating in the Sacramento trip organized by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. She stated that the Transportation Authority's state and federal legislative program would be presented to the Committee in February.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved, without objection.

**6. Introduction of New Items – INFORMATION**

There was no public comment.

**7. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.