



# DRAFT MINUTES

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

### 1. Roll Call

Vice Chair Breed called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.

**Present at Roll Call:** Commissioners Breed, Kim and Yee (3)

**Absent at Roll Call:** Commissioners Campos and Mar (entered during Item 3) (2)

### 2. Approve the Minutes of the February 9, 2016 Meeting – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The minutes were approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Kim and Yee (3)

Absent: Commissioners Campos and Mar (2)

### 3. State and Federal Legislative Update – ACTION

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

Mr. Watts reported that the legislature had a new Assembly Speaker, Assemblymember Anthony Rendon. He said that the last day to introduce measures was at the end of February, which was reflected by the approximately 40 bills included in the legislation matrix. He said that the next major legislative deadline was April 22, when bills would need to clear their first committee. He said that since there was a spring legislative recess from March 17-28, committee hearings for the remaining bills would have heavy agendas to get through before the deadline. Mr. Watts said regarding the ongoing effort to raise state revenues for transportation, Senator Beall intended to amend his special session bill to include significant funding for transit projects, though the balance of the bill focused on state and local road repairs. He noted that Governor Brown's administration could elect to move forward with a more streamlined \$2 billion proposal, which would not require a two-thirds vote of the legislature, since there could be a preference to have a small amount for state and local road repairs rather than the larger amounts represented in the bills from Senator Beall and Assemblymember Frazier.

Mr. Watts reviewed the recommendation to amend the position on Assembly Bill (AB) 1550 from oppose to watch to reflect an evolved view on how to seek disadvantaged communities in the state. Chair Mar said he was grateful for the sensitivity around low-income communities, whether they be in San Francisco or Los Angeles, and for taking a regional and even statewide approach to transportation issues.

Chair Mar commented that Senate Bill 1128 would make permanent the Bay Area Air Quality District's and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Commuter Benefits Program, which was important in meeting the city's goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle trips.

He acknowledged the Vision Zero Coalition for its work in seeking authorization for automated speed enforcement even though it wasn't ultimately successful, but said he was hopeful that the legislation would advance in a future legislative session.

Commissioner Yee said that the Board of Supervisors had taken a support position on AB 1677 and that his office was working with Assemblymember Ting on the bill.

Commissioner Yee moved to change the position on AB 1677 from watch to support, seconded by Commissioner Breed.

There was no public comment.

The amendment to the item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Kim, Mar and Yee (4)

Absent: Commissioner Campos (1)

The amended item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Kim, Mar and Yee (4)

Absent: Commissioner Campos (1)

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

There was no public comment.

**5. Public Comment**

During public comment, Andrew Yip spoke about the meaning of self-actualization.

**6. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.