



# DRAFT MINUTES

## PLANS AND PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

### 1. Roll Call

Vice Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. The following members were:

**Present at Roll Call:** Commissioners Christensen, Tang and Yee (3)

**Absent at Roll Call:** Commissioners Breed (entered during Item 5) and Farrell (entered during Item 7) (2)

### 2. Citizens Advisory Committee Report – INFORMATION

Chris Waddling, Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), reported that at its December 2 meeting, the CAC considered and unanimously passed items 6 and 7 from the agenda. Mr. Waddling said that on item 6, the CAC voiced concern over how the Polk Street streetscape and Van Ness Avenue bus rapid transit projects would be coordinated during the construction phase. He said the CAC was also interested in how the traffic calming backlog would be impacted by allocating funds from that project's line item to the Sloat Boulevard Pedestrian Improvement project. Mr. Waddling said regarding item 7, it appeared that the red bus-only lanes were working because the Congestion Management Program (CMP) showed that bus speeds were consistent while other vehicle speeds dropped. He also noted that off-peak performance was not included in the CMP because it wasn't required, that staff had noted that data on off-peak performance was included in other studies.

There was no public comment.

### Consent Calendar

#### 3. Approve the Minutes of the November 3, 2015 Meeting – ACTION

#### 4. Recommend Reprogramming \$67,265 in One Bay Area Grant Cycle 1 Funds from San Francisco Public Works' ER Taylor Elementary Safe Routes to School Project to the Chinatown Broadway Street Design Project – ACTION

There was no public comment.

The Consent Calendar was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Christensen, Tang and Yee (3)

Absent: Commissioners Breed and Farrell (2)

### End of Consent Calendar

### 5. Recommend Appointment of One Member to the Citizens Advisory Committee – ACTION

Mike Pickford, Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Joe Lake and Doreen Horstin spoke to their interests and qualifications in being appointed to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

Commissioner Christensen stated that Commissioner Kim had requested the item be forwarded to the Board without a recommendation to allow additional time for candidates to appear.

Commissioner Yee commented that the CAC should have more balance in gender, but that he deferred to Commissioner Kim as the vacant seat was for a District 6 representative.

Commissioner Yee moved to forward the item to the Board without a recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Christensen.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Christensen, Tang and Yee (4)

Absent: Commissioner Farrell (1)

**6. Recommend Allocation of \$638,477 in Prop K Funds, with Conditions, Subject to the Attached Fiscal Year Cash Flow Distribution Schedule – ACTION**

Mike Pickford, Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Christensen, Tang and Yee (4)

Absent: Commissioner Farrell (1)

**7. Recommend Approval of the 2015 San Francisco Congestion Management Program – ACTION**

Drew Cooper, Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Christensen asked if the Congestion Management Program (CMP) took into account cyclists in addition to single occupancy vehicles and public transit. Mr. Cooper responded that measurements beyond Level of Service were not required by state law, but that cycling and transit performance were reflected in the CMP performance measures. Tilly Chang, Executive Director, added that the performance measures indicated the success of the city's various transit-first initiatives as well as land use changes.

Commissioner Christensen asked if the CMP measured traffic volumes. Mr. Cooper responded that the 2015 CMP included traffic volumes at several locations but that they were not monitored prior to 2015. He added that the Transportation Authority and San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency were looking into ways to measure Vehicles Miles Traveled, which was a useful metric to capture volume and duration of vehicular travel.

Commissioner Christensen asked how useful the CMP was beyond its function as a state requirement. Mr. Cooper responded that the CMP helped frame the Transportation Authority's work program, and that it was an indicator of the success of transportation investments and policies. Ms. Chang added that the CMP used two-year snapshots of the city's overall transportation performance, and that it indicated transit investments and land use changes were

working well. She continued that it was an important time to advance efforts that would improve capacity over the long term, such as the Caltrain Downtown Extension.

Commissioner Breed asked why the CMP did not include a description of how traffic control officers contributed to traffic and congestion management. Ms. Chang acknowledged that the CMP did not include this information but said that future reports could incorporate it.

There was no public comment.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Breed, Christensen, Farrell, Tang and Yee (5)

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

There was no public comment.

**9. Public Comment**

During public comment, Andrew Yip spoke about unity.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.