TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2007
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 416
San Francisco, CA

REGULAR MEETING
9:00 a.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nathaniel Ford, Chair
Jerry Hill, Vice Chair
Michael Cohen
Chris Daly
Greg Harper
Bijan Sartipi

Executive Director
Maria Ayerdi

Secretary
Nila Gonzales

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9:00 – REGULAR MEETING

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the meeting to order at 9:02 am

2. Roll Call

Present: Michael Cohen  
Chris Daly  
Greg Harper  
Jerry Hill  
Nathaniel Ford

Absent:   Bijan Sartipi

3. Communications

Chairman Ford welcomed Board Secretary Gonzales.

4. Board of Director’s New and Old Business

None.

5. Executive Director’s Report
   • Caltrain Downtown Extension Value Management Update   
   • Funding Update   
   • Financial Reports

Executive Director (ED) Ayerdi welcomed Deborah Keeth as counsel and advised she would be sitting at the dais at TJPA Board meetings to advise on any Sunshine or Brown Act questions. ED Ayerdi announced RFQ Submittals for the Design & Development Competition and stated the Board would decide at February’s meeting who to invite to Stage II for the Design Competition. ED Ayerdi then updated on work to date since the last Board meeting.

Bob Sergeant, Parsons Project Manager, presented the Value Management update.

Nancy Whelan, Transbay Financial Consulting, presented the Funding Plan update and reported on the Financial Reports.

Chairman Ford requested future reporting should entail an explanatory note on line items with overages.
6. Public Comment

Kerri Stephens, Business Owner of Varnish Fine Art at 77 Natoma Street, stated there hasn’t been any notification as to what’s happening. Prior to the holidays, they were visited by property assessors. Initially, they heard acquisition wasn’t going to happen until 2008 but now they’ve heard it may start within a couple of months. She had a number of questions that needed answers so they could appropriately manage their business.

Burt Rufus said he wrote to the Board a year ago with some suggestions and hasn’t heard back. He continued stating his recommendation, which he thinks has merit, should be investigated.

Chairman Ford requested ED Ayerdi have staff reach out to these two individuals; Kerri Stephens and Burt Rufus. He further requested that an update regarding the outreach made to business/property owners be given to the Board at next month’s meeting.

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BEFORE THE TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY ARE RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION AS STATED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR THE CHAIR.

CONSENT CALENDAR

7. All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Transbay Joint Powers Authority, and will be acted upon by a single vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board or the public so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

(7.1) Approving the Minutes of the November 16, 2006 meeting.

(7.2) Authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a Master Agreement for State Funded Transit Projects with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

RESOLUTION 07-001

No public comment.

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cohen, Daly, Ford, Harper and Hill
REGULAR CALENDAR

8. Approving the updated Initial Project Report and a Resolution of Project Compliance for the allocation of Regional Measure 2 Funds in the amount of $9,670,000 for the Transbay Transit Center/Caltrain Downtown Extension Project.

No public comment.

RESOLUTION 07-002

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cohen, Daly, Ford, Harper and Hill

9. Approving a Resolution of Support for the reinstitution of the Coast Daylight Rail Service.

Michael Kiesling stated his support for this resolution but suggested a change of location; San Jose to Oakland vs. San Jose to San Francisco, with a connection in San Jose to the Baby Bullet. Another train on the Coast is good but there are better places to put a rail line.

Arthur Lloyd expressed his appreciation for this resolution of support. He disagreed with a couple of Michael Kiesling’s comments. Mr. Lloyd stated that the ridership survey shows it would be foolish to go up the east side of the bay; ridership would be 80% better coming directly into San Francisco. The Coast Starlight is closer now to being on time than it’s been in a long time. This is an opportunity for people to ride on the coast; there’s 135 miles of coastline that’s not seen by any other mode of transportation.

RESOLUTION 07-003

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cohen, Daly, Ford, Harper and Hill

10. Authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with Macias Gini & O’Connell for a maximum compensation of $154,269 to provide independent auditing services for a period not to exceed three years with an option for the TJPA to extend the term for two additional years.

No public comment.

RESOLUTION 07-004

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cohen, Daly, Ford, Harper and Hill

Chairman Ford read and presented the resolution and plaque. ED Ayerdi and Directors Cohen, Daly, Hill and Ford expressed appreciation for Director Harper and wished him continued success.

RESOLUTION 07-005

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cohen, Daly, Ford, Harper and Hill

ADJOURN - Chairman Ford adjourned the meeting at 10:02 am

A tape of the meeting is on file in the office of the Secretary to the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors.

Nila Gonzales
Board Secretary

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