

**TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

TJPA Office  
425 Mission Street, Suite 250  
San Francisco, CA

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Brian Larkin, Chair  
Brian Shaw, Vice Chair

Paul Bendix  
Richard Burnett  
Gabriel Chan  
Charles Lavery

Pedro Mendez  
Mark Monte  
Martin Munoz  
Anthony Nachor  
Hunter Oatman-Stanford

Mark O'Dell  
Natasha Paterson  
Andrew Robinson  
Eric Schatmeier

Executive Director  
Adam Van de Water

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CAC Secretary  
Herschell Larrick

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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### AGENDA

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Larkin called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Bendix, Gabriel Chan, Brian Larkin, Charles Lavery, Pedro Mendez, Anthony Nachor, Hunter Oatman-Stanford, Mark O'Dell, Natasha Paterson, Andrew Robinson, and Eric Schatmeier.

Members Absent: Richard Burnett, Mark Monte, Martin Munoz, and Brian Shaw.

#### 2. Staff Report (10 minutes)

Nila Gonzales, TJPA Chief of Staff, presented the Staff Report.

#### 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: May 9, 2023

There was no member of the public wishing to comment. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Member Schatmeier and seconded by Member Nachor. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

4. Presentation of budgets for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (FY 23-24) Operating Budget in the amount of \$27,629,744; FY 23-24 Capital Budget for Phase 1, Phase 2, Tenant Improvements, and Capital Maintenance, Repair and Replacement in an amount of \$160,593,434; and FY 23-24 Debt Service Budget in the amount of \$17,966,672 and amendments to the Non-Public Rental and Fee Schedule and TJPA Pay Schedule. (15 minutes)

Andrea Miller, TJPA Chief Financial Officer, presented the item.

Member O'Dell inquired about the budget details for Advertising/Naming etc., which TJPA staff confirmed they would provide to the CAC members.

Public Comment:

Roland LeBrun inquired about the Operations and Maintenance budget numbers that were moved to the Capital budget and suggested having a monthly budget report at both the CAC and Board meetings.

5. Facility Operations Update (10 minutes)

R.E. Walsh, TJPA Facility Director, presented the item.

Public Comment:

Jim Patrick commented that he thought the Park attendance numbers were much higher than what was reported and suggested staff improve on accounting for attendance in the Park.

A member of the public asked about the status of the Sho restaurant space in the Park, which TJPA staff responded there was no new update to share.

Mr. LeBrun inquired about the cost of the wayfinding software application and asked if it will support the visually impaired. He suggested the team review the work of the California Integrated Travel Project for information on wayfinding efforts for the visually impaired.

6. Presentation of the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) Schematic Design for the proposed Under Ramp Park project, which is the first milestone contemplated under the 2022 Term Sheet with the East Cut Community Benefit District (CBD); delivery of Under Ramp Park will require several future discretionary actions and approvals, including approvals by TJPA, OCII, City and County of San Francisco, CBD, Caltrans, and others. (20 minutes)

R.E. Walsh, TJPA Facility Director, introduced the item and Ben Brandin, Transbay Project Manager at the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII), along with Alok Viyas of OCII, Chris Guillard and Sam Woodhams-Roberts of CMG Landscape Architecture, and Yakuh Askew of Y.A. Studio presented the item.

Public Comment:

Mr. Patrick shared it is important for TJPA to continue to be the owner of the new park.

Bryan Dahl, legislative aide to District 6 Supervisor Matt Dorsey, voiced the Supervisor's support for the proposed park as it will change a largely unused space in the East Cut neighborhood into a safe and welcoming asset, along with helping downtown San Francisco reposition itself into a globally recognized urban redevelopment success. He concluded by stating the Supervisor supports the timely completion of the project.

Celestry stated that it is important to build the proposed park on schedule as the current open space will be reduced when affordable housing is built at the Crossing and the park will add needed recreation space to the neighborhood.

Koshel, a resident of the East Cut, shared that he along with his neighbors own dogs and need places to walk them, which this park will provide.

Mr. LeBrun shared that the construction of the Downtown Rail Extension would impact the new park's development.

#### 7. Downtown Rail Extension/The Portal Workplan Schedule Update (10 minutes)

Alfonso Rodriguez, TJPA Project Director, presented the item.

#### Public Comment:

Mr. LeBrun stated that he hopes the reports from the Project Management Oversight Consultant and Financial Management Oversight Consultant will be shared.

#### 8. Public Comment

Mr. LeBrun suggested that meeting recordings be attached to the online agenda.

Mr. Patrick shared his frustration with the technical difficulties experienced during public comment and reduced amount of public comment time.

#### 9. CAC Member Comments & Future Agenda Requests

Member Robinson stated that he would send the upcoming East Cut event information to Secretary Larrick to disseminate to the CAC members.

Future agenda requests include: 1) presentation on train doors and platform heights; 2) AC Transit update on reinstating the Bus Only Lane on the Bay Bridge; 3) San Francisco County Transportation Authority update on Southeast Railyard Station Study and Pennsylvania Avenue Extension (PAX); 4) presentation on programming for future train station beneath the Transit Center to assist with Operating and Maintenance costs.

#### 10. Adjourn

Chair Larkin adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

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