

# TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 11, 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 Staff Liaison Lily Madjus Wu

CAC Secretary Herschell Larrick

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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# **AGENDA**

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Larkin called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Mark Monte, Martin Munoz, Mark O'Dell, and Andrew Robinson.

## 2. Staff Report (10 minutes)

Lily Madjus Wu, TJPA Communications and Legislative Affairs Director, presented the Staff Report.

#### Public Comment:

Roland LeBrun shared what he heard at a Caltrain Advocacy and Major Projects Committee meeting on Federal Transit Administration's ridership relating to the Downtown Rail Extension (DTX).

## 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: June 6, 2023

There was no member of the public wishing to comment. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chair Larkin and seconded by Member Schatmeier. Member Burnett and Vice Chair Shaw abstained. A majority vote approved the motion.

4. Presentation by San Francisco County Transportation Authority on Pennsylvania Avenue Extension Project (15 minutes)

Jesse Koehler, San Francisco County Transportation Authority Rail Program Manager, presented the item.

#### **Public Comment:**

Jim Patrick inquired about the development at the Railyard and suggested it could be promoted similarly to TJPA with land sales and asked if the railyard could be built in Brisbane as an alternate location.

Mr. LeBrun spoke about the importance of the Pennsylvania Avenue Extension for the DTX.

- 5. Facility Operations Update (10 minutes)
- R.E. Walsh, TJPA Facility Director, presented the item.

Vice Chair Shaw suggested TJPA promote Park events through BART's email events list called Bartable.

#### **Public Comment:**

Mr. Patrick shared he counted Park visitors while in route to this meeting and noted 211 within 10 minutes. He suggested TJPA update the Park attendance slide to capture higher numbers of the full park attendance.

A member of the public noted that the East Cut Community Benefit District newsletter reports on all the Park's activities.

Mr. LeBrun suggested TJPA utilize and integrate their wayfinding application with google maps.

6. Downtown Rail Extension/The Portal Workplan Schedule Update and Procurement Approach (15 minutes)

Alfonso Rodriguez, TJPA Project Director, presented the item.

Chair Larkin inquired on how TJPA is handling the Small Business and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise commitment and staff acknowledged his request.

#### Public Comment:

Mr. Patrick suggested TJPA change its labor policy requiring paying the highest labor rate to the labor unions.

Mr. LeBrun suggested the project team study the Grand Paris Express in France and the Brightline West that will run between Los Angeles and Las Vegas for comparison to the DTX project.

#### 7. Public Comment

Mr. LeBrun commented on the future transit traffic across the bay area that California High-Speed Rail and Link 21 will generate and how it might impact the Transit Center.

# 8. CAC Member Comments & Future Agenda Requests

Future agenda requests include: 1) presentation on train doors and platform heights; 2) AC Transit update on the Bay Bridge Forward project (Bus Only Lane on the Bay Bridge); 3) San Francisco County Transportation Authority update on Southeast Railyard Station Study; 4) presentation on programming for future train station beneath the Transit Center to assist with Operating and Maintenance costs; and 5) Small Business and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise commitment for DTX.

Secretary Larrick noted in the meeting that Agenda Item 4, Presentation by San Francisco County Transportation Authority on Pennsylvania Avenue Extension Project, partially fulfilled the prior future agenda list item requesting an update on Southeast Railyard Station Study and Pennsylvania Avenue Extension (PAX) and that the future agenda request list item 3 would be modified to: San Francisco County Transportation Authority update on Southeast Railyard Station Study on the next iteration of the list.

## 9. Adjourn

Chair Larkin adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

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