



**TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 7, 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  
Mark O'Dell

Natasha Paterson  
Andrew Robinson  
Eric Schatmeier  
Jocelyn Thompson

Executive Director  
Adam Van de Water

Staff Liaison  
Lily Madjus Wu

CAC Secretary  
Herschell Larrick

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## **AGENDA**

### 1. Call to Order

Chair Larkin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Bendix, Richard Burnett, Brian Larkin, Charles Lavery, Pedro Mendez, Mark Monte, Martin Munoz, Anthony Nachor, Mark O'Dell, Natasha Paterson, Andrew Robinson, and Brian Shaw.

Members Absent: Gabriel Chan, Eric Schatmeier, and Jocelyn Thompson.

### 2. Staff Report (15 minutes)

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

#### Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun reported that Governor Newsom has asked the Biden Administration for \$3 billion for high-speed rail in the Central Valley; he noted that Congress has specifically eliminated funding appropriations for that segment; and therefore, questioned what the money might be spent on if awarded.

### 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: October 10, 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 Nachor. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

### 4. Contract Security Quarterly Report (10 minutes)

Rodney Harris, TJPA Chief Security Officer, presented the item.

**Public Comment:**

Jim Patrick stated that the City's approach of shutting down the area for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), occurring the following week, was wrong and it would be better to stay open and do business as usual.

**5. Facility Operations Update (10 minutes)**

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

**Public Comment:**

Jim Patrick weighed in on an idea Member O'Dell shared to explore programming the Park fountain action to run constantly and shut off as a bus passes. He shared his concern that Secretary Julie Su would not be able to hold on to her office long enough to help The Portal, and requested that there be more consistency in the ridership and attendance numbers shared in this item's presentation.

**6. Presentation on the Draft Relocation Plan, released for public comment on November 3, 2023 (15 Minutes)**

John Updike, TJPA Real Estate Management Consultant, presented the item.

**Public Comment:**

Roland Lebrun stated that to understand this item better, people should pay attention to Item 11 at the November 9, 2023, TJPA Board meeting, and suggested holding off on implementing the Plan until expert tunnel builders have been hired and are able to direct the work.

**7. Downtown Rail Extension/The Portal Workplan Schedule and Funding Update (10 minutes)**

Alfonso Rodriguez, TJPA Project Director, presented the Workplan Schedule and Adam Van de Water, TJPA Executive Director, presented the Funding Update.

**Public Comment:**

Roland Lebrun stated that the 4<sup>th</sup> and Townsend station should not be part of the Downtown Rail Extension project and asked that the slide titled "Portal Matching Funds Progress" provide actual numbers with sources listed.

**8. Public Comment**

Jim Patrick stated that the Project Labor Agreement should be rejected as it has the labor priced at the highest levels and that it should be a competitive bid instead and should include more apprentices.

Roland Lebrun suggested that members request a future presentation on the 4<sup>th</sup> & Townsend station.

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

Member Bendix suggested a staff moderated focus group for CAC members on how to publicize or spread the word through the community about The Portal.

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 the Operating and Maintenance plan for the rail levels of the Transit Center; 5) Small Business and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise commitment for DTX; 6) Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure update on the former Temporary Transbay Terminal parcels and its future uses; 7) Presentation on Link21 and effects to The Portal; 8) presentation on Caltrain 4<sup>th</sup> & Townsend rail yard redevelopment; and 9) update on parcel F.

## 10. Adjourn

Chair Larkin adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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