

**TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 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

Vice Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Bendix, Richard Burnett, Gabriel Chan, Charles Lavery, Pedro Mendez, Mark Monte, Martin Munoz, Anthony Nachor, Natasha Paterson, Andrew Robinson, Eric Schatmeier, Brian Shaw and Jocelyn Thompson.

Members Absent: Brian Larkin and Mark O'Dell.

### 2. Staff Report (15 minutes)

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

Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun contrasted the price and scope of the Brightline West project with The Portal project and shared that it's highly unlikely for the Federal government to contribute money to The Portal due to its high cost.

### 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: November 7, 2023

There was no member of the public wishing to comment. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Member Robinson and seconded by Member Lavery. Members Schatmeier and Thompson abstained. A majority voice vote approved the motion.

### 4. Facility Operations Update (15 minutes)

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

### 5. Downtown Rail Extension/The Portal Workplan Schedule and Funding Update (15 minutes)

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

## Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun reported on the construction methods of the Crossrail project in the United Kingdom; shared ideas for changes in design of The Portal; and suggested viewing a video on YouTube by searching for “DTX flyover.”

## 6. Public Comment

Andre Sanson shared his disappointment that the Amtrak connector bus does not stop in the Transit Center and asked that TJPA escalate the issue and get Amtrak into the Center.

Roland Lebrun thanked the CAC secretary for a good job of capturing the public comments in the minutes and wished everyone “Happy Holidays.”

## 7. CAC Member Comments & Future Agenda Requests

Member Schatmeier asked for a list of 2024 CAC meeting dates, and he also requested a presentation by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) on regional travel planning.

Member Paterson inquired as to why Amtrak service is not found in the Center; staff acknowledged this has been a continued TJPA goal and outlined their efforts to work with transit partners: Amtrak and AC Transit on this issue.

Member Chan asked for a San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) presentation on the 38 Geary line upgrades and how they affect the Center.

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) SFCTA 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; 9) update on parcel F; 10) SFCTA presentation on regional travel planning; and 11) SFMTA presentation on the 38 Geary line upgrades and how they affect the Center.

## 8. Adjourn

Vice Chair Shaw adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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