Meeting Minutes

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Wednesday, February 24, 2021 9:35 AM Board Room - 1st Floor (REMOTE)

Call Remote Meeting to Order

1. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

   Present:  17 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering, and Commissioner Worth
   Absent:  1 - Commissioner Schaaf

Non-Voting Commissioner Present: Commissioner Giacopini
Non-Voting Commissioner Absent: Commissioner El-Tawansy

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Compensation Announcement (Secretary)

4. Chair’s Report (Haggerty)

4a. 21-0006 MTC Resolution No. 4449 - Resolution of Appreciation for Commissioner Jake Mackenzie on the occasion of his departure from MTC.

   Action: Commission Approval

   Roland Lebrun was called to speak.

   Rich Hedges was called to speak.

   Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Worth, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4449. The motion carried by the following vote:

   Aye: 17 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

   Absent: 1 - Commissioner Schaaf
5. Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee Report (Spering)

5a. 21-0171  Closing of Nominations and Election of Officers

Action: Commission Approval

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Worth, the Commission unanimously closed the nominations and elected the nominees Alfredo Pedroza as Chair, and Nick Josefowitz as Vice Chair of the Commission respectively for the next two-year term. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Schaaf

6. New Chair’s Report (Pedroza)

6a. 21-0005  MTC Resolution No. 4448 - Resolution of Appreciation for Commissioner Scott Haggerty on the occasion of his departure from MTC.

Action: Commission Approval

Roland Lebrun was called to speak.

Rich Hedges was called to speak.

Commissioner Liccardo and Commissioner Mackenzie left before the vote on agenda item 6a.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Chavez, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4448. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf


Roland Lebrun was called to speak.
8. Executive Director's Report (McMillan)

Joty Dhaliwal was called to speak.

21-0392 Executive Director's Report

9. Commissioner Comments

10. Consent Calendar:

Upon the motion by Commissioner Rabbitt and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved by the following vote:

**Aye:** 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

10a. 21-0173 Minutes of the January 27, 2021 meeting

**Action:** Commission Approval


**Action:** Information

10c. 21-0181 MTC Resolution No. 3983, Revised - Amendments to the Clipper® Operating Rules

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** David Weir

Administration Committee

10d. 21-0162 MTC Resolution No. 4421- Revised - FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment No. 2.

Staff requests that the Committee refer Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Resolution No. 4421, Revised, the MTC FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (OWP), Amendment No. 2 to the Commission in order to include FY 2019-20 unspent carryover federal planning and state funds in the current year OWP.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Brian Mayhew
10e. **21-0163**  
MTC Resolution No. 4422, Revised - MTC Operating Budget FY 2020-21  
MTC Operating Budgets  

Staff requests that the Committee refer MTC Resolution No. 4422, Revised, Amendment 3, increasing the MTC FY 2020-21 Agency Operating Budget by $35.9 million in new and carryover funding to the Commission for approval.  

*Action:* Commission Approval  
*Presenter:* Brian Mayhew

**Programming and Allocations Committee**

10f. **21-0151**  

*Action:* Commission Approval  
*Presenter:* Kenneth Kao

10g. **21-0150**  
MTC Resolution Nos. 4430, Revised and 4431, Revised. An allocation of $23 million in FY 2020-21 State Transit Assistance funds to BART and allocation of $4.4 million FY 2020-21 Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds to Union City and AC Transit.  

*Action:* Commission Approval  
*Presenter:* Cheryl Chi

10h. **21-0179**  
MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised. Revisions to the One Bay Area Grant 2 Program (OBAG 2), to program $7.91 million for MTC’s shareable costs of an increase to the Golden Gate Bridge Suicide Deterrent System project.  

*Action:* Commission Approval  
*Presenter:* Mallory Atkinson
Committee Reports

11. Programming and Allocations Committee (Josefowitz)

11a. 21-0032  MTC Resolution No. 4454. Bay Area Preservation Pilot (BAPP) Program Revisions

Revises several program guidelines for MTC’s Bay Area Preservation Pilot (BAPP) to address deployment barriers and improve efficacy for prospective housing preservation projects.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Somaya Abdelgany

The motion and second for agenda items 11a, 11b, 11c, and 11d were made as a single item.

Upon the motion by Vice Chair Josefowitz and the second by Commissioner Haggerty, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4454. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

11b. 20-1637  MTC Resolution No. 4347, Revised and Summary of Participatory Budgeting Pilots

Revision to the Lifeline Transportation Cycle 5 Program of Projects to program $400,000 for Solano County’s Participatory Budgeting (PB) Pilot Projects and an overview of the findings from San Francisco (Bayview) and Solano (Vallejo) PB Pilots.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Judis Santos

Upon the motion by Vice Chair Josefowitz and the second by Commissioner Haggerty, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4347, Revised. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf
11c. 21-0149  MTC Resolution No. 4450. FY 2021-22 Fund Estimate

Annual Fund Estimate and proposed apportionment and distribution of $790 million in Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Fund, State Transit Assistance (STA), State of Good Repair (SGR) Program, Assembly Bill 1107 (AB 1107), transit-related bridge toll, and Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds for FY 2021-22.

Action: Commission Approval
Presenter: Terrence Lee

Upon the motion by Vice Chair Josefowitz and the second by Commissioner Haggerty, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution No. 4450. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

11d. 21-0148  MTC Resolution Nos. 4474 and 4475. Adoption of the 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Transportation Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Amended Plan Bay Area 2040 (Plan) and the 2021 TIP.

The federally required TIP is a comprehensive listing of all Bay Area surface transportation projects that receive federal funds, are subject to a federally required action or are regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes. MTC is required to make a positive air quality conformity determination for the TIP and Plan in accordance with EPA’s transportation conformity regulations and MTC’s Bay Area Air Quality Conformity Procedures.

Action: Commission Approval
Presenter: Adam Crenshaw

Upon the motion by Vice Chair Josefowitz and the second by Commissioner Haggerty, the Commission unanimously adopted MTC Resolution Nos. 4474 and 4475. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 15 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf
11e.  21-0180  Bay Area Transit Operator Financial and Service Update

Staff will present an overview of Bay Area transit operator financial and service status during the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

**Action:** Information

**Presenter:** Theresa Romell

Roland Lebrun was called to speak.

Nathan Swedlow was called to speak.

12. Legislation Committee (Commission Chair Pedroza)

12a.  21-0242  Senate Bill 10 (Wiener): Housing Approval Streamlining Tool

Optional tool for local governments to streamline a parcel's upzoning located in transit-rich or jobs-rich locations or on urban infill sites.

**Action:** Support / ABAG Executive Board Approval

Support / MTC Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Rebecca Long

Elaine Boykin was called to speak.

Upon the motion by Chair Pedroza and the second by Commissioner Rabbitt, the Commission unanimously adopted a support position on Senate Bill 10 (Wiener). The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 12 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Nay:** 2 - Commissioner Connolly and Commissioner Papan

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

**Abstain:** 1 - Commissioner Abe-Koga
12b.  **21-0243** Senate Bill 7 (Atkins): Extension of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Judicial Review Streamlining Authority

Restores an expired authorization for streamlined judicial review and adds eligible specified housing projects consistent with a region’s sustainable communities strategy, and dedicates at least 15 percent of the units to lower-income households.

**Action:**
Support / ABAG Executive Board Approval  
Support / MTC Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Rebecca Long

Upon the motion by Chair Pedroza and the second by Commissioner Spering, the Commission unanimously adopted a support position on Senate Bill 7 (Atkins).  
The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 13 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Josefowitz, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Nay:** 1 - Commissioner Connolly

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

**Abstain:** 1 - Commissioner Papan
13. Commission Approval (McMillan)


A request for Commission approval of a pre-qualified panel of consultants (“Consultant Bench”) to provide services under four categories: Improving Project-Level Governance; Support and Evaluation of Functional and Full Consolidations of Transit Agencies; Establishing New Sub-regional and Regional Governance and Administration; and Subject Matter Expertise Specific to Multiple Areas of Transit Decision Making, Administration/Management and Operations.

**Action:** Commission Approval

**Presenter:** Therese McMillan / Shruti Hari

Vice Chair Pedroza recused himself from agenda item 13a.

Upon the motion by Commissioner Spering and the second by Commissioner Papan, the Commission unanimously approved the Bay Area Transit Coordination and Structure Consultant Bench. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Haggerty, Commissioner Pedroza, Commissioner Abe-Koga, Commissioner Ahn, Commissioner Canepa, Commissioner Chavez, Commissioner Connolly, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci, Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Papan, Commissioner Rabbitt, Commissioner Ronen, Commissioner Spering and Commissioner Worth

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Liccardo, Commissioner Mackenzie and Commissioner Schaaf

14. Public Comment / Other Business

Roland Lebrun was called to speak.

15. Adjournment / Next Meetings:

The next meeting of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 9:50 a.m. remotely and by webcast. Any changes to the schedule will be duly noticed to the public.