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**Programming and Allocations Committee**  
**January 9, 2013**  
**Minutes**

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*Steve Heminger*  
Executive Director

*Ann Flemer*  
Deputy Executive Director, Policy

*Andrew B. Fremier*  
Deputy Executive Director, Operations

Vice Chair Campos called the meeting to order at approximately 10:37 a.m. Committee members present were: Commissioners Bates, Cortese, Dodd, Sartipi and Wiener. Commissioners Tissier and Rein-Worth were present as ex-officio voting members of the Committee. Other Commissioners present as ad hoc non-voting members of the Committee were: Giacomini, Haggerty, Halsted, Mackenzie and Spering.

**Consent Calendar**

The Committee unanimously approved the following consent items after a motion by Commissioner Cortese and a second by Commissioner Bates:

- Minutes of the December 12, 2012 meeting;
- Allocation of \$1.3 million in RM2 funds for the I-880 North Safety Improvement Project. MTC Resolution No. 3658, Revised;
- Allocation of \$2 million of bridge tolls to the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) for operations and maintenance of the Transbay Terminal Building. MTC Resolution No. 4070, Revised;
- Revisions to One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Program to include \$8.4 million for projects selected by the Congestion Management Agencies. MTC Resolution No. 4035, Revised;
- Allocation of \$5.8 million in AB1171 funds to the Solano Transportation Authority for the right-of-way phase of the I-80/680/12 Interchange projects to address a cost increase in the relocation of PG&E facilities. MTC Resolution No. 3914, Revised;
- Allocation of \$2.7 million in Two Percent Capital funds towards the construction of the SMART Initial Operating Segment. MTC Resolution Nos. 3884, Revised and 4022, Revised; and
- Approval of \$5.4 million in allocation requests for Proposition 1B – Transit Security Population-based Funds. MTC Resolution No. 3882, Revised.

In addition, the Committee received one item for information: Quarterly Report of Executive Director's Delegated Authority Actions.

**Regional**

- *Programming and allocation of \$47.8 million in RM1 Capital funds, \$13.8 million in AB1171 Capital funds, \$7.3 million in Two Percent Capital funds and \$500,000 in RM2 Capital funds. MTC Resolution Nos. 3684, Revised, 3914, Revised, 3915, Revised and 4022, Revised.*

Shruti Hari, Programming and Allocations Section, presented recommendations to allocate \$47.8 million in RM1 funds to Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) to certify the upcoming Structural Steel Superstructure (StSS) contract as well as ancillary logistics contracts; \$500,000 in RM2 funds to BART towards the design of the Railroad Avenue station on the eBART extension; \$8.6 million in AB1171 funds to BART towards the

environmental phase of the BART to Livermore Extension project; and \$0.75 million in AB1171 funds and \$11.7 million in AB1171 and Two Percent Capital funds to SMART for the track, station, and systems costs in the re-construction of the SMART track facilities between the Santa Rosa North station and the Sonoma County Airport area.

Commissioner Bates asked if AB1171 was for bridge toll funds. Mr. Heminger responded that AB1171 is a category of bridge toll funds that was adopted by California legislature. The amount recommended by staff is the last increment of those funds. Commissioner Bates asked what the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) entails. Ms. Bockelman explained that the federal NEPA environmental process must be followed for projects requiring federal funds or actions.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Bates with a second by Commissioner Cortese, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution Nos. 3684, Revised, 3914, Revised, 3915, Revised and 4022, Revised to the Commission for approval.

- *Allocate FY2012-13 Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to GGBHTD and FAST. MTC Resolution Nos. 4059, Revised, 4061, Revised and 4062, Revised.*

Cheryl Chi, Programming and Allocations Section, presented a recommendation to allocate FY2012-13 Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District (GGBHTD) in the amount of \$22.5 million and Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST) in the amount of \$4.4 million to support transit operations and capital projects and rescind funds from AC Transit.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Bates with a second by Commissioner Cortese, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution Nos. 4059, Revised, 4061, Revised and 4062, Revised to the Commission for approval.

### **Federal**

- *FY2012-13 and FY2013-14 Transit Capital Priorities and Transit Capital Rehabilitation Policy and Programs. MTC Resolution Nos. 4035, Revised, 4072, Revised and 4084.*

Glen Tepke and Kenneth Folan, Programming and Allocations Section, presented a request to update the Transit Capital Priorities programming and policy to program approximately \$830 million in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307, 5309 Fixed Guideway, 5337 and 5339 funds, and Cycle 2 Surface Transportation Program funds to support transit capital replacement and rehabilitation projects, as well as operating costs in FY2012-13 and FY2013-14. Staff noted that the proposed programming includes \$13 million to support the transition year of the Transit Performance Initiative incentive program.

Commissioner Wiener commented that as discussions continue on Caltrain electrification, he would like to ensure that the issue of the Fourth and King rail yard continues to be discussed. Mr. Heminger commented that discussions on this topic were held recently and that San Francisco officials and Caltrain officials need to meet further to work out an arrangement to move the project forward.

Commissioner Tissier commented that there were commitments made in the High Speed Rail MOU with the understanding that there would be some form of reimbursements that has yet to be resolved and additional discussions need to take place. Mr. Heminger explained that the reason this project has been so long in the thinking and not the doing is that there is a lot of support for the notion but funding options cannot be agreed upon.

Commissioner Cortese expressed concern about the parties meeting the terms of the MOU. Mr. Heminger added that there is still not a full commitment from San Francisco for funding and to complete the project by 2019 requires the funding plan to be shored up now.

Commissioner Bates requested that staff provide a broader overview of the Caltrain electrification issues so that Commissioners have a better understanding of what is taking place. Mr. Heminger commented that ongoing briefings will need to be had to resolve funding issues.

Commissioner Spring commented that he supports staff's recommendation related to holding a reserve for Solano County bus replacements but the recommendation has caused a great deal of concern in Solano County. Commissioner Spring requested that between now and the full Commission that he and staff meet with the transit operators to address their concerns. Ms. Bockelman agreed to follow-up with Commissioner Spring to schedule a meeting with him and the transit operators.

Commissioner Wiener commented that he supports staff's request and is excited about the \$5.1 million allocation for SFMTA to rebuild the fourteen light rail vehicles (LRVs) because LRV breakdowns are a huge problem for Muni.

Commissioner Bates commented that AC Transit is not on the list for youth and low income passes and asked for an update on the situation and what kind of equity can be seen in the future. Ms. Bockelman responded that what is before the Committee today are recommendations received from the transit operators on ways to address productivity and ridership increases. AC Transit did come forward with a project but it was not related to a pass program. Commissioner Bates asked if there will be additional funds for that purpose. Ms. Bockelman explained that this incentive program is annual so AC Transit will receive funding from FY2014 to FY2016 that will vary depending on the formula that is developed and approved in the next few months.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Wiener with a second by Commissioner Cortese, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution Nos. 4035, Revised, 4072, Revised and 4084 to the Commission for approval.

### **California Transportation Commission Update**

The Committee received a brief update on the California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting held on January 8 in Sacramento, CA. Highlights included the election of a new Chair, Jim Ghielmetti and Vice Chair, Carl Guardino, both of which are from the Bay Area; discussions regarding the 2014 STIP developments and ten-year SHOPP needs that will take place over the next year; and at the CTCs request Ms. Bockelman gave a presentation on the Transit Sustainability Project because of possible statewide relevance.

Commissioner Spering suggested hosting a reception for the new CTC Chair, Jim Ghielmetti. Mr. Heminger agreed that this would be a good idea.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Campos adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:32 a.m.