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Programming and Allocations Committee
June 11, 2014
Minutes

Chair Glover called the meeting to order at approximately 10:12 a.m. Committee members present were: Commissioners Bates, Campos, Dodd, Pirzynski, Quan, Tissier, and Wiener. Commission Chair Worth and Vice Chair Cortese were present as ex-officio voting members of the Committee. Other Commissioners present as ad hoc non-voting members of the Committee were: Aguirre, Giacomini, Haggerty, and Halsted.

Consent Calendar

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

- Minutes of the May 14, 2014 meeting;
- Revisions to the FY2013-14 Rural Area (Section 5311) Program of projects. MTC Resolution No. 4125, Revised;
- FY2014-15 State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program. MTC Resolution No. 4150;
- Allocation of FY2013-14 Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds in the amount of \$3.5 million to AC Transit and \$4.1 million to Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority. MTC Resolution No. 4100, Revised;
- Allocation of \$4.4 million in bridge toll funds to the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) for the operation and maintenance of the Transbay Terminal Building for FY2014-15. MTC Resolution No. 4148;
- Allocation of FY2014-15 Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds to County Auditors for TDA administration and to MTC for TDA administration and planning. MTC Resolution No. 4147;
- Revisions to the Cycle 2 One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program. MTC Resolution No. 4035, Revised;
- Allocations of \$1.6 million in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Capital funds to the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District for the purchase of replacement buses for Golden Gate Transit and revisions to the RM2 Regional Express Bus North program of projects. MTC Resolution Nos. 3889, Revised and 3890, Revised;
- Programming and allocation of approximately \$0.6 million in Five Percent Unrestricted State Fund Revenues and \$0.8 million in Two Percent Bridge Toll Revenues for the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) ferry operations and the San Francisco Bay Trail project. MTC Resolution No. 4152;
- Allocation of \$450,000 in Regional Measure 2 (RM2) capital funds for various Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Cycle 5 projects. MTC Resolution No. 4149; and
- Revision to the FY2014-15 Fund Estimate to program \$150,000 in State Transit Assistance (STA) Fare Coordination Set-Aside funds to MTC for implementation of the Inner East Bay Fare Pilot program. MTC Resolution No. 4133, Revised.

Regional

- ***Allocation of \$209 million in FY2014-15 Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds, State Transit Assistance (STA) funds, Assembly Bill 1107 (AB1107) funds, and Regional Measure 2 (RM2) operating and capital funds to support transit operations and capital projects in the region. MTC Resolution Nos. 4143, 4144, 4145, and 4146.***

Cheryl Chi, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented an allocation request of approximately \$209 million to AC Transit, County Connection, Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA), Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency (NCTPA), Tri Delta Transit, Petaluma, WestCat, Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA), and MTC to support transit operations and capital projects.

Commissioner Bates commented that it is encouraging to see that AC Transit is adding additional trunk line service to address some of the ridership demand issues.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Bates and a second by Commissioner Campos, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution Nos. 4143, 4144, 4145, and 4146 to the Commission for approval.

Federal

- ***Authorize the release of the Draft 2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Air Quality Conformity analysis for Plan Bay Area and the 2015 TIP.***

Adam Crenshaw, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, and Carolyn Clevenger, Planning Section, presented a request to release the Draft 2015 TIP and Air Quality Conformity Analysis for Plan Bay Area and the 2015 TIP for public review and comment and set a public hearing date of July 9, 2014.

Commissioner Quan asked when the grant money will be made available to institutions listed in the TIP and the schedule for funding of Port of Oakland projects. Ms. Bockelman explained that the TIP will cover the next four-year period and does include funding for Port of Oakland projects. Commissioner Quan also commented that she would be interested in the alignment with the freight policy for the region. Ms. Bockelman stated that the Planning Committee will receive an update this Friday on the freight planning that is being done.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Tissier and a second by Commissioner Pirzynski, unanimously approved the release of the Draft 2015 TIP and Air Quality Conformity Analysis and set a public hearing date of July 9, 2014.

- ***Transit Capital Priorities Policy for FY2014-15 and FY2015-16 FTA Formula Funds, and Cycle 2 STP/CMAQ Transit Capital Rehabilitation Funds. MTC Resolution No. 4140.***

Shruti Hari, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented a proposal to establish a Transit Capital Priorities (TCP) policy for programming Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funds for FY2014-15 and FY2015-16. The proposed policy largely maintains the current process, with a few updates to account for changes in costs, service factors, and the Core Capacity Challenge Grant Program.

The Committee, upon the motion of Commissioner Tissier and a second by Commissioner Campos, unanimously approved the referral of MTC Resolution No. 4140 to the Commission for approval.

California Transportation Commission Update

Ross McKeown, Programming and Allocations Section, provided the Committee a brief update on the California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting held on May 21 in San Diego, CA.

Public Comment/ Information

Ken Bukowski commented on the issue of capacity on the Bay Bridge and suggested that Express Bus Lanes on the bridge might help in reducing traffic. He also suggested that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Albany Mayor Peggy Thompson, who passed away over the weekend.

Chair Glover adjourned the meeting in memory of Mayor Peggy Thompson at approximately 10:29 a.m.