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Policy Advisory Council
June 11, 2014
Minutes

Vice Chair Randi Kinman called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. Policy Advisory Council members in attendance were: Naomi Armenta, Caroline Bañuelos, Jim Blacksten, Richard Burnett, Elizabeth Clary, Wilbert Din, Veda Florez, Sandi Galvez, Bob Glover, Richard Hedges, Jerry Levine, Mark Nicholson, Mike Pechner, Gerald Rico, Linda Jeffery Sailors, and Mordechai Winter. **Excused:** Cathleen Baker, Carlos Castellanos, Bena Chang, and Chris Coursey. **Absent:** JoAnn Busenbark, Timothy Reeder, Benjamin Schweng and Alan Talansky.

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the May 14, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Richard Hedges and a second by Veda Florez.

Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Jerry Grace introduced himself to the Council and stated he is pleased with the impending expansion of the Clipper Card to the North Bay.

Subcommittee Report

Equity and Access Subcommittee Chair Naomi Armenta reported that the subcommittee met twice since the last Policy Advisory Council meeting. A special subcommittee meeting was held on May 28 to discuss how to ensure language in the Cap and Trade Funding Proposal does not exclude the potential for funding mobility management. In addition, the subcommittee held its regularly scheduled meeting earlier in the day to discuss the proposed methodology for the Draft 2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Investment Analysis.

MTC Public Engagement

Ms. Carolyn Clevenger, MTC Planning Section Principal, provided an overview of the proposed schedule for the next update to Plan Bay Area, and Ms. Ellen Griffin, MTC Principal Public Information Officer, gave a report on public participation techniques and strategies suggested at the Council's May meeting and updated the Council on the schedule for adoption of the Public Participation Plan for Play Bay Area.

MTC Public Engagement (continued)

Following the presentations, several Council members stated they were pleased with the small-group process and expressed interest in future brainstorming sessions, both for the Council and in general public engagement. In addition, the Council suggested future plans for speakers' bureaus be focused on the individual communities where they are presented.

Transit Capital Priorities/Core Capacity Challenge Grant Program

Ms. Shruti Hari, MTC Program Manager of Transit Capital Priorities, briefed the Council on proposed updates to the Transit Capital Priorities (TCP) policy. She and Glen Tepke, MTC Senior Programming & Allocations Planner, answered the Council's questions and provided additional information. Following public comment by Jerry Grace, the Council had the following comments:

- Concern was expressed about the need to establish a long-term funding source for capital replacement and maintenance costs. Ms. Bockelman responded that the Commission has been discussing funding issues, and suggested the Council have a future presentation by Randy Rentschler, MTC's Director of Legislation and Public Affairs, to provide a comprehensive report on the potential for generating revenue.
- Concern was expressed about the impact the demand-response ridership methodology could have on smaller urbanized areas.
- In response to a question regarding the proposed ADA set-aside distribution, Ms. Bockelman stated that staff believes MTC's proposal, while not perfect, does a better job of aligning funds with actual ADA expenses.
- There needs to be a way to track and improve the efficiency of the transit providers and their ability to maintain their fleet.

Staff Liaison Report

Pam Grove went over the staff liaison report and reminded members that the 2014 MTC High School Internship Orientation will be held Thursday, June 19, 2014 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Council Member Reports

Vice Chair Kinman congratulated Council member Winter on being elected to his local city council. Mr. Winter thanked everyone, expressed how much he has enjoyed his time at these meetings, and officially resigned from the Council due to his pending appointment to the Belvedere City Council.

Council member Rich Hedges mentioned he is in support of SB 1159 (Lara), a proposed amendment to law that would authorize certain licensing boards to accept an application containing an individual's taxpayer identification number in lieu of a social security number for an initial or renewal license.

New Business

In response to Ms. Bockelman's suggestion to invite Randy Rentschler to a future Council meeting, Ms. Grove informed the Council that a legislative update is slated to be held at the September Council meeting, and she will invite Mr. Rentschler to attend at that time.

Council member Bob Glover requested the policy discussion begun at the May 28 Commission meeting regarding allocation of federal transportation funds for the South Richmond Affordable housing and commercial linkage study be brought before the Policy Advisory Council when it goes comes back to the Commission.

Council member Mike Pechner expressed concern about the proposed SMART rail system's use of 48-inch high platforms and gauntlet tracks. He stated the system will not be interchangeable with other rail systems in the Bay Area, and requested a future discussion of the issue of connectivity to the SMART system.

Public Comment

Mr. Ken Bukowski informed the Council of the Urban Sim planning tool, stating he believes it might be interesting for the Council to view.

Adjournment/Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m. The next meeting of the Policy Advisory Council is scheduled for July 9, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium, Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, Oakland, California.