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**MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**June 13, 2014**  
**MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Chair Sperring called the MTC Planning Committee meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. Planning Committee members in attendance were: Commissioners Aguirre, Haggerty, Liccardo, Luce, and Mackenzie. Commissioners present as ad hoc non-voting members of the Committee were Bates, Campos, and Tissier. Commission Chair Rein-Worth and Commission Vice-Chair Cortese were present in their ex-officio voting member capacity.

**CONSENT CALENDAR: Minutes of May 9, 2014**

Commissioner Haggerty moved approval of the Consent Calendar, Commissioner Mackenzie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**PLAN BAY AREA IMPLEMENTATION**

Mr. Ken Kirkey presented an overview of key initiatives to advance the implementation of Plan Bay Area.

Committee discussion:

- Commissioner Aguirre commented on sea level rise, and noted that San Mateo County will be one of the most affected. She asked why there is nothing reported for San Mateo County and how the pilot county was selected. Mr. Kirkey stated that this is a pilot project focused on Alameda County, in collaboration with BCDC. BCDC is also looking at additional pilots including the San Mateo and Santa Clara shorelines. Ms. Carolyn Clevenger added that there was a call for counties to express interest in the first round pilot about 3 years ago. Alameda County expressed a high level of interest, and had the most existing data. The second round pilot builds off of the first pilot to dig deeper into three transportation focus areas. She noted that San Mateo County has recently received a grant to start bringing a lot of their data up to the level where the data was from the first pilot that was done with FHWA funds.
- Commissioner Mackenzie announced that there will be a California Adaptation Forum in Sacramento on August 19-20, 2014.
- Commissioner Worth asked staff to update the committee on what the process will be in gathering information on the PDA development feasibility and readiness study and recommended that staff review the local planning processes that are in

place. Mr. Kirkey stated that staff will be working with a consultant to develop the list of PDAs to be assessed and noted that study will include the level of local planning support as well.

- Commissioner Aguirre asked what the incentive is for cities/areas that have advanced their PDA's. Mr. Kirkey stated that there is no incentive per se, as this is an assessment. There is no direct link between the assessment and funding.
- Commissioner Aguirre asked when the Living Communities Foundation funding will be available and how it will be distributed. Mr. Kirkey stated that staff will get the information and report back.
- Commissioner Spring asked how staff is measuring success with the overall projects/investments. Mr. Kirkey noted that this in part of what the Vital Sign Performance Initiative is about. It will examine how the region is doing on a variety of measures. Staff will need to look at those performance measures over time.
- Commissioner Spring suggested that, relative to the under-utilized Public Lands near Transit Study, staff focus on and inventory potential affordable housing sites.
- Commissioner Luce commented on the Work Proximity Housing Program in Napa, and noted that he would like to see this alternative approach considered in the planning efforts. Commissioner Aguirre noted that there is an example of low income housing that has worked on a campus in San Mateo County where the community college district built low income housing for their staff and faculty both at the College of San Mateo and Canada College. She also stated that they received a letter from Jackie Speier, San Mateo County, requesting to look at housing as far as businesses being able to build housing for people that are living there. She stated that staff has to look at all alternatives, and would like to see more of that in the plans.
- Commissioner Liccardo stated that jurisdictions should be allowed to explore ways, such as impact fees, to generate affordable housing and referenced a discussion on this topic from the last Planning Committee meeting.
- Commissioner Spring added that, with respect to the Planning funds, local jurisdictions should be providing matching funds.
- Commissioner Haggerty stated that many of the counties received boomerang funds, and believes San Mateo has put a great deal of their money towards affordable housing as has Alameda County. He stated that as they approach affordable housing, maybe it should be based on what kind of match is coming from the counties that have actually dedicated boomerang funds towards affordable housing.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Rich Hedges commented on the question of whether Transit Oriented Developments are working or not, and summarized a tour taken through Bay Meadows in San Mateo. He stated that not only from the people who are administrating the program, but from local residents that have been interviewed 60% of the people moving in are taking the train to work.

**DRAFT REGIONAL GOODS MOVEMENT PLAN**

Ms. Carolyn Clevenger introduced Mr. Michael Fischer, Cambridge Systematics, who presented an update on the Regional Goods Movement Plan, including issues and opportunities and the vision and goals.

Committee discussion:

- Commissioner Sperring asked about the project organization, and if there is a consensus on the direction staff is going. Ms. Clevenger provided detail on the Executive Management team, Technical Advisory Committee, and Stakeholder outreach. Mr. Fischer noted that there is broad consensus throughout the groups on what the major issues are and what we need to focus on.
- Commissioner Haggerty stated that staff should specifically call out a 24 hour port as a strategy. It would help if the trucks were moved to the night time and not competing with people who are trying to get to work.
- Commissioner Campos commented on the increase in economic growth and connecting that to reducing the impact on communities that are disproportionately impacted, and asked if there is a way to connect the two so there is economic growth and economic benefit in those communities that are being disproportionately impacted by the goods movement. Mr. Fischer stated that one of the first stakeholder outreach meetings talked about the idea of workforce development. Staff thinks there are some opportunities to link the two ideas together, which will be developed during the plan development.
- Commissioner Bates asked if there are ways to place financial incentives in order to redirect the traffic to a different time. Ms. Clevenger noted that the Port of Oakland is exploring opportunities for night gates, and as they look at the tradeoffs, the question will come up regarding what type of financial incentives will be needed to make it work economically. Mr. Fischer commented on the Marine Terminal Operators at the Ports of Long Beach who instituted a program called The Pier Pass Off-Peak Program where they imposed a fee on each container that comes into the Port and received a rebate on those that are picked up during the evening.
- Commissioner Luce stated that it seems like natural gas fueling would be an obvious direction to go, and asked if there has been discussions on how to address that. Ms. Clevenger stated that CARB is doing a sustainable freight strategy including technology assessments that will be coming out in the fall.
- Commissioner Worth asked if the Richmond Port is being engaged directly like the Port of Oakland, and if there will be some analysis of the infrastructure barriers to safety, neighborhood compatibility, efficiency, grade separations, etc. Ms. Clevenger stated that staff will be looking at all the different infrastructure solutions and reaching out to some of the smaller ports to talk to them about some of their issues.

Public Comment:

- Ken Bukowski commented on the rail crossings in Emeryville that create traffic congestion. He noted the inadequate warehousing locations and truck parking are major issues, as well as quiet zones where trains travel through.
- Rich Hedges encouraged staff to consider the effects of enlarging the Panama Canal and factor in the new heavily subsidized Port of Mexico to be served by a major freight corridor through mid-America.

**OTHER BUSINESS/PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 11, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium, Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, Oakland, CA.