

**Report from the TA Citizens Advisory Committee  
Meeting of July 7, 2020**

The TA CAC meeting held on July 7 was chaired by John Fox due to Chair Barbara Arietta's inability to access Internet and cell phone service. Chair Arietta did participate by calling in from a landline.

The committee met online via a Zoom meeting with TA staff. The portion of the agenda that had motions was not controversial; the CAC heard presentations and reviewed reports, and motions to approve the following items passed unanimously:

- TA Board Item 12(a) Program and Allocate Measure A Funds to the City of South San Francisco to Study the Feasibility of a New Ferry Terminal
- TA Board Item 12(b) US 101 Express Lanes Project Financing: Approval of Issuance of Subordinate Sales Tax Revenue Variable Rate Bonds (Limited Tax Bonds) and Associated Actions and Documents
  - Preliminary Official Statement
  - Reimbursement Agreement with Bank of America
  - Loan Agreement and Amendment to Cooperative Funding Agreement with San Mateo County Express Lanes Joint Powers Authority
  - Amended and Restated Agreement for State Administration of Transaction and Use Taxes
  - Measure W Sales Tax Transfer Agreement with San Mateo County Transit District
- TA Board Item 12 (c) Program and Allocate Funds for the Short-range Highway Plan
- TA Board Item 12 (d) Program and Allocate Additional Funds for the Construction Phase of the State Route 1 Safety and Operational Improvements Project, Poplar to Wavecrest
- TA Board Item 5 (b) Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for May 2020

Item 12(a) on the Ferry feasibility study generated discussion on the value and impacts of the Ferry WETA projects, some specifically on the associated need for last mile connections to the ferry terminals. There is interest in using these ferry services to support baseball games and cultural events in San Francisco. The discussion with Mr. Futrell of South San Francisco included how the ferry could be an attractive transportation option for guests at the planned Hotel near the terminal.

Item 12(b) on the express lane financing generated considerable discussion on the impact on the TA financial reserves, future income stream considering possible toll revenue projections,

and there were many questions to fully understand the “waterfall” of the funding flow. The strategy of choosing the types of bonds, and the interest rate environment also was discussed. After this extensive discussion the vote to approve was unanimous.

Item 12(d) brought many CAC members commenting on their experiences at this intersection, the positive aspects of the plan to increase safety for pedestrians, cyclists as well as motorists. Mr. Razavi of Half Moon Bay was very helpful in explaining the several factors that had to be balanced in this intersection design.

There were informational items, specifically

- TA Board Item 11(a) State and Federal Legislative Update
- TA Board Item 11(b) Water Emergency Transportation Authority South San Francisco Ferry Program Update
- TA Board Item 5(a) Approval of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of June 4, 2020

During the Staff Report Joe Hurley and Pete Skinner provided information on how several projects were submitted for funding consideration through the SB1 Program

Submitted July 8, 2020  
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TA CAC Vice Chair