

TA Board of Directors Meeting of June 5, 2025

Correspondence as of May 2, 2025

## # Subject

- 1. Save the Clipper BayPass, don't eliminate funding!
- 2. Item 12.a on May 1, 2025 Agenda

From: Anthony Bu <antbu2006@gmail.com>

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**To:** Public Comment < publiccomment@smcta.com>; publiccoment@samtrans.com

**Subject:** Save the Clipper BayPass, don't eliminate funding!

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Hi there,

My name is Anthony Bu. I am a incoming college student and will be be attending SFSU in the fall. SFSU offers the Gator Pass, which is a nickname for the BayPass, which gives access to free public transit on many agencies within the Bay Area. I do not want to see SamTrans eliminating funding for the transit coordination initiatives, you will lose a lot of ridership if you want to get kicked out of the BayPass. According to results, the BayPass increased ridership in many agencies, especially students who commute to school.

Also on schedule coordination is very important for making transfer easy to connect. Transit agencies working together leads to passengers getting to places as quickly as possible. Examples include the Bart and Caltrain transfer at Millbrae, of the many bus to rail transfers at major Transit centers such as SJ Diridon, Palo Alto, or RWC.

Also, please keep free transfers within 2 hours, I do not want to pay again when I transfer to another bus.

Eliminating funding, and stopping the transit coordination initiatives would lead to more conflict between Transit agencies, the BayPass is a way to get Bay Area Transit agencies to work together and make Transit more easier and accessible to everyone. No more Bay Pass, and no more free transfers, means bring down ridership, and I think you guys don't want to see that.

Anthony Bu

From: Public Comment

To: Board (@smcta.com)

**Subject:** FW: Item 12A on May 1, 2025 Agenda **Date:** Thursday, May 1, 2025 3:57:37 PM

From: Maggie Trinh <maggietrinh@smfc.k12.ca.us>

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## To the SMCTA Board:

I am a board trustee for the San Mateo-Foster City School District, the largest school district in San Mateo County. I strongly urge this board to maintain its funding for popular initiatives like all-agency transit passes, free transfers, schedule coordination, and coordinated paratransit for people with disabilities. Many of our students and their families rely on public transportation within the county to get to and from school and work.

I also strongly urge this board to support regional coordination for transit and a regional transit funding measure. Many riders cross county lines and inter-agency coordination is something that serves riders, increases efficiency, and decreases car traffic -- all good things for the environment and the community as a whole. I myself regularly take public transit and coordination would vastly improve the overall experience.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Regards,

Maggie Trinh

SMFCSD Board of Trustees Vice President