

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No.15-154

WHEREAS, GSW Arena LLC (GSW), an affiliate of Golden State Warriors, LLC, which owns and operates the Golden State Warriors National Basketball Association (NBA) team (including any successor owner or operator of the Event Center) (the "Project Sponsor"), has proposed to construct a multi-purpose event center and a variety of mixed uses, including office, retail, open space and structured parking on an approximately 11-acre site on Blocks 29-32 within the Mission Bay South Redevelopment Plan Area of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure, successor to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("OCII"), in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq. ("CEQA"), and acting in its capacity as lead agency as defined in Public Resources Code Section 21067, prepared a Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report ("FSEIR") for the proposed Golden State Warriors Event Center and Mixed-Use Development at Mission Bay Blocks 29-32 (the "Event Center Project") consisting of the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report ("GSW DSEIR"), the comments received during the review period, any additional information that became available after the publication of the GSW DSEIR, and the Draft Summary of Comments and Responses, all as required by law, copies of which are available through the Secretary of the SFMTA Board of Directors and at www.gsweventcenter.com, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, On November 3, 2015, the Commission on Community Investment and Infrastructure reviewed and considered the FSEIR and certified the FSEIR in compliance with CEQA; and,

WHEREAS, The FSEIR files, other Project-related OCII files, and other materials have been available for review by the SFMTA Board of Directors and the public with the OCII Board Secretary at One South Van Ness Avenue, 5th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103, through the SFMTA Board Secretary, which files are incorporated herein by reference and made part of the record before this Board; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors, acting in its capacity as a responsible agency under CEQA, Public Resources Code Section 21069, has reviewed and considered the information contained in the FSEIR for the Event Center Project; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors has also reviewed and considered a Transportation Service Plan, Local/Hospital Access Plan, and Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies, as such terms are described below, and other measures, including measures by the Event Center Project's sponsor, to address transportation conditions relating to the Event Center Project; and,

WHEREAS, The Transportation Service Plan collectively refers to the Muni Special Event Transit Service Plan, the Transit Network Improvements (procurement of four light rail vehicles, extending and raising the northbound passenger platform or the variant for a center platform, constructing crossover tracks, among other capital expenditures), and the Event Transportation Management Strategies (including staffing of parking control officers), as more particularly described in a letter from the Director of Transportation to the OCII Executive Director dated May 15, 2015 (“May 2015 Director Letter”), and a supplemental letter dated October 6, 2015 (“Supplemental Director Letter”), which letters are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth; and,

WHEREAS, The Local/Hospital Access Plan is comprised of a variety of actions (identified in Enclosure 5 to the staff report for this matter at the November 3, 2015 SFMTA Board meeting) to facilitate movements in and out to residents of the Mission Bay Area and employees of the University of California at San Francisco (“UCSF”) that would be implemented for the pre-event period for large weekday evening events at the Event Center (those events with more than 12,500 attendees that start between 6:00 and 8:00 pm, on average); and,

WHEREAS, The Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies are included in the FSEIR as part of Mitigation Measure TR-11c and incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth; these Strategies will assist to manage traffic flows and minimize congestion associated with non-Golden State Warriors events of 12,500 or more attendees overlapping with San Francisco Giants regular season evening games at AT&T Park (during weekday peak pre-event period, with overlapping events starting between 6:00 and 8:00 pm, on average) and to incentivize event attendees and UCSF employees to use alternatives to the private automobile; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors acknowledges that the Board of Supervisors will consider an ordinance (the “Fund Ordinance”) amending the Administrative Code to establish a special reserve fund within the General Fund called the Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund (the “Fund”) to pay for City services and the costs of financing capital improvements addressing transportation and other needs of the community in connection with events at the Event Center Project; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors expects that monies available in the Fund, together with revenues generated by the Event Center Project that are dedicated to the SFMTA under the Charter, will more than cover the SFMTA’s operating costs and costs of financing capital investments associated with implementing the Transportation Service Plan, the Local/Hospital Access Plan, and the Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies; and,

WHEREAS, UCSF and the Event Center Project Sponsor requested that the City and County of San Francisco establish an advisory committee (the “Advisory Committee”) to advise on use of the Fund and also identify data collection measures that could inform strategies to make hospital employee travel times more predictable, better manage staff work shift transitions for these employees, and facilitate their on-time performance during a specified period for certain overlapping events with large attendance at the Event Center and Giants games AT&T Park; and,

WHEREAS, The Advisory Committee will be tasked with identifying whether traffic

congestion affecting access by hospital employees occurs in the pre-event peak period (for this purpose, 6:00 - 7:30 pm) during weekday evenings when there is an event—other than a Warriors game—with more than 12,500 people at the Event Center and a regular season evening Giants game at AT&T Park, based on review of travel time data collected by the SFMTA for specific routes to the UCSF parking garage at 1835 Owens Street, more specifically identified in the Improved Hospital Employee Access Transportation Strategies During Overlapping Events (Enclosure 7 to the staff report for this matter at the November 3, 2015 SFMTA Board meeting), and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth (the “Improved Hospital Employee Access Strategies”); and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors further acknowledges that through the proposed Fund Ordinance, the Board of Supervisors may create an Advisory Committee to be the central City-sponsored community advisory body charged with providing input to the Board of Supervisors, the SFMTA, San Francisco Public Works (“SFPW”), the San Francisco Police Department (“SFPD”) and decision makers regarding use of monies in the Fund, and that the Advisory Committee shall perform the following functions as needed:

(a) Collaborate with the SFMTA on prioritizing the community improvement projects for required uses of the Fund and identifying implementation details as part of the SFMTA’s budget process;

(b) Recommend to the SFMTA uses of the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve established through the Fund Ordinance;

(c) Collaborate with the SFMTA, SFPW, SFPD, and decision makers in the monitoring of the required uses of the Fund, including expenditure of the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve, for the purpose specified in the Fund Ordinance; and,

(d) Review travel time data collected by the SFMTA for routes to the Event Center to determine if traffic conditions associated with the Event Center, especially when there are weekday evening overlapping events with large attendance at the Event Center and AT&T Park, should entail additional City actions and expenditures from the Fund or the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve, and make recommendations to the SFMTA on such actions and expenditures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors, in relation to the actions set forth herein, adopts all of the following as they relate to the Event Center Project identified in the FSEIR for the Event Center Project:

(a) findings under CEQA, which are attached to this Resolution as Enclosure 2 and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth (the “CEQA Findings”);

(b) the mitigation measures, or designated portions of such measures, and the improvement measures, identified in the CEQA Findings, including, but not limited to, the Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies (collectively the “SFMTA Mitigation and Improvement Measures”);

(c) the Statement of Overriding Consideration in the FSEIR for the Event Center Project, contained in the CEQA Findings; and

(d) the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (the "MMRP"), Exhibit 1 to the CEQA Findings, which is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors recognizes and acknowledges that should the Board of Supervisors not adopt the Fund Ordinance, the SFMTA Board of Directors has funds available at its sole discretion that are included in the Expenditure Plan, described below, and adopted as part of this Resolution that will be used to pay for mitigation measures M-TR-6 and M-TR-13 in order to reduce the impacts identified in the FSEIR and the MMRP to a less than significant level;

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to execute an agreement between the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) and the SFMTA, in which OCII designates the SFMTA as OCII's representative for the required monitoring and reporting of applicable transportation-related mitigation measures in the MMRP for the Event Center Project, including the SFMTA Mitigation and Improvement Measures, and agrees to reimburse the SFMTA for such services, which agreement will be subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That, subject to obtaining sufficient funding and in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution, the SFMTA Board of Directors approves those elements of the Event Center Project that are under SFMTA jurisdiction, including:

(a) the Transportation Service Plan that is part of the Project description of the Event Center Project in the FSEIR, including the capital expenditures for procuring four light rail vehicles, extending and raising the northbound passenger platform or the variant for a center platform (as determined by the Director of Transportation, in his or her discretion), and constructing crossover tracks, among other capital expenditures; all as identified in the May 2015 Director Letter; and

(b) the Local/Hospital Access Plan, which is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth, to facilitate movement within the Mission Bay area for residents and non-Event Center employees and for University of California at San Francisco hospital employees and patients during the pre-event period for weekday evenings when Warriors games or other events with anticipated attendance of more than 12,500 persons occur at the Event Center; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the SFMTA Board of Directors modifies Enclosure 2 to incorporate the changes to the Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program that staff read into the record at the November 3, 2015 meeting of the SFMTA Board of Directors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors agrees to seek and expend funds for transportation-related capital and operating costs for the Transportation Service Plan projects discussed in the May 2015 Director Letter, as well as the Local/Hospital Access Plan, the SFMTA Mitigation and Improvement Measures, and other measures, in accordance with the Expenditure Plan, as set forth in the Supplemental Director Letter, which Expenditure Plan updates and modifies the expenditure plan set forth in the May 2015 Director Letter, provided that implementation of such Expenditure Plan shall be subject to SFMTA's obtaining sufficient funding to pay for such costs consistent with this Resolution and the Fund Ordinance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors recommends that the Board of

Supervisors approve the Fund Ordinance substantially in the form on file with the SFMTA Board of Directors, with any such changes as the SFMTA Director of Transportation may, in his or her discretion, concur in as they affect SFMTA jurisdiction; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors accepts the terms and conditions of the proposed Fund Ordinance that apply to the SFMTA, including, but not limited to, coordinating with SFPW and SFPD in budgeting funds for the Event Center Project, holding a public hearing on the proposed Event Center Project budget in conjunction with the hearing on the SFMTA's regular two-year budget, considering recommendations of the Advisory Committee established under the proposed Fund Ordinance and in accordance with the standards of the Fund Ordinance, and expending funds consistent with the Expenditure Plan and the purpose of the Fund Ordinance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors directs the Director of Transportation, in consultation with the City Traffic Engineer and the Advisory Committee, to monitor and manage the flow of transit and traffic surrounding the Event Center, including using funds in the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve and also any balance in the Fund that is not then budgeted for other purposes, to prevent any considerable additional traffic congestion from occurring in the pre-event peak period (for this purpose, 6-7:30 p.m.) during weekday evenings when there is an event - other than a Warriors game - with more than 12,500 people at the Event Center and a regular season evening Giants game at AT&T Park, consistent with the Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors delegates to the Director of Transportation, or designee, in his or her discretion and in accordance with the uses set forth in the Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies, the authority to expend monies in the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve, including, but not limited to, executing contracts using such monies, up to the amount in the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve at the time of the expenditure, and requests that the Director of Transportation provide an annual written report to the SFMTA Board of Directors on expenditures from the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve; and, be it further

RESOLVED, If the Advisory Committee finds that a specified additional travel time delay for hospital employees exceeds the median travel time (the "Delay Metric") specified in the Improved Hospital Employee Access Strategies, and the Advisory Committee recommends using, in addition to the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve, any balance in the Fund that is not budgeted for other purposes under this Resolution and the Fund Ordinance, for services or capital projects to address such occurrence, then the Director of Transportation shall consider approving such recommendations, which approval the Director shall not unreasonably withhold or delay so long as such recommendations are consistent with the Improved Hospital Employee Access Strategies, and the Director shall take such actions as are necessary to seek any required approvals and implement such recommendations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to approve any modification to the Delay Metric if the Advisory Committee recommends such modification under the Improved Hospital Employee Access Strategies based on SFMTA data collection and experience in using various strategies to address traffic conditions; and, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of Transportation shall consult with the Advisory Committee regarding expenditures from the Fund and the Designated Overlapping Event Reserve and send an explanatory report to the SFMTA Board of Directors if the Director determines not to follow particular recommendations of the Advisory Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to obtain any further approvals and carry out any actions needed to implement the Event Center Project, including, but not limited to, implementing the Transportation Service Plan, Local/Hospital Access Plan and Designated Overlapping Event Transportation Strategies and providing administrative support and staffing for the Advisory Committee referenced above.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of November 3, 2015.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency