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Motion

File Number: 990231

Date Passed: February 17, 1999

Motion asking our Legislative Analyst to research the definition and applications to date of San Francisco's Transit First Policy.

February 17, 1999 Board of Supervisors --- APPROVED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Yaki, Yee
Absent: 2 - Newsom, Teng

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on February 17, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

1 [Legislative Analyst Report on Transit-First Policy]
 2 ASKING OUR LEGISLATIVE ANALYST TO RESEARCH THE DEFINITION AND
 3 APPLICATIONS TO DATE OF SAN FRANCISCO'S TRANSIT-FIRST POLICY
 4 WHEREAS; San Francisco's density and geographic constraints make it impossible to
 5 rely upon the private automobile to efficiently and safely move people and goods; and,
 6 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors recognized the economic importance of this
 7 fact, and the fundamentalness of public transportation in addressing it by passing the Transit-
 8 First Policy in 1973, incorporated in Section 16.102 of the City Charter; and,
 9 WHEREAS, The Transit-First Policy was strengthened in the new City Charter in 1996
 10 with the addition of language mandating its consideration by all officers, commission, and
 11 departments in conducting the City's affairs; and,
 12 WHEREAS, A well-functioning public transportation system remains increasingly
 13 crucial to the economic and environmental health of San Francisco, especially in light of
 14 planned developments, including Yerba Buena Center, the Giants Stadium, the Mission Bay
 15 campus, and expansion of the Airport; and,
 16 WHEREAS, San Francisco's public transportation system has greatly suffered from a
 17 lack of institutional-accountability, capacity, and financial stability over the past decade; and,
 18 WHEREAS, The need to review our Transit-First Policy, its application to date, and to
 19 assess any needed revisions and enhancements is paramount; and,
 20 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has directed the Legislative Analyst to report on
 21 the merger of the Parking and Traffic Commission with the Public Transportation Commission
 22 as a first step in more aggressively evaluating Transit-First; now, therefore, be it
 23 MOVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby ask our
 24 Legislative Analyst to research the definition and applications to date of the Transit-First
 25 Policy.

GAVIN NEWSOM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS