



YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Stephanie Cabrera, Assistant Clerk, Government Audit and Oversight Committee
Honorable Supervisor Dean Preston

CC: Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director, Board of Supervisors
Melissa Hernandez, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Dean Preston

FROM: 2022-2023 Youth Commission

DATE: Tuesday, November 15th, 2022

RE: SUBJECT: REFERRAL FROM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

At its virtual meeting on Monday, November 14th, 2022, the San Francisco Youth Commission Housing & Land Use Committee supports the approval of File No. 221083 with the following feedback and recommendations:

1. The Youth Commission supports creating a forum where multiple agencies can come together to create seamless transit. However, the Youth Commission noted that the Free Muni for All Youth program, which allows youth to ride Muni for free, has rendered the Clipper cards obsolete for youth.
2. However, youth still need Clipper cards to access other modes of transit, such as the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system. The Youth Commission noted that the BART ticket vending machines (TVMs) do not produce Youth Discount Clipper cards which provide discounts on BART, Golden Gate Transit, and other transit agencies, and they only sell adult Clipper cards.
3. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) should work and collaborate to expand access to Youth Discount Clipper Cards.
4. The agencies should increase locations where Youth Discount Clipper Cards are available for purchase, such as at Muni Metro stations, BART stations, and third-party retail outlets in order to properly grant access to Clipper cards for all demographics throughout the city, especially youth.

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5. The Youth Commission is especially supportive of “Fare Capping” proposed as part of the Clipper 2.0 agreement that would allow riders to “pay-as-you-go” and cap the amount riders are charged to the current daily and monthly pass prices that currently must be paid for upfront.

6. “Fare Capping” allows for a more seamless and equitable rider experience as riders are not required to decide or be able to afford to pay for the full cost of a pass at the beginning of the month and still always pay the most affordable fare.

Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.