



**TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Tuesday, July 8, 2025

TJPA Office
425 Mission Street, Suite 250
San Francisco, CA

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Brian Larkin, Chair
Brian Shaw, Vice Chair

Paul Bendix
Gabriel Chan
Henry Karnilowicz
Kia Kolderup-Lane

Pedro Mendez
Eric Mo
Martin Munoz
Anthony Nachor
Natasha Paterson

Eric Schatmeier
Ruhama Tereda
Jocelyn Thompson
Nadia Woodmansee

Executive Director
Adam Van de Water

Staff Liaison
Lily Madjus Wu

CAC Secretary
Herschell Larrick

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Bendix, Henry Karnilowicz, Pedro Mendez, Martin Munoz, Anthony Nachor, Eric Schatmeier, Brian Shaw, Ruhama Tereda (*arrived during Item 2*) and Jocelyn Thompson.

Members Absent: Gabriel Chan, Kia Kolderup-Lane, Brian Larkin, Eric Mo, Natasha Paterson, and Nadia Woodmansee.

2. Staff Report (10 minutes)

Lily Madjus Wu, TJPA Communications and Legislative Affairs Director, presented the Staff Report.

Member Karnilowicz gave an introduction and stated that he was excited to join the CAC.

Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun compared The Portal to several European rail lines such as the English Channel Tunnel rail line and noted that for comparable cost these lines were much longer and were built using private capital. He suggested reconsidering cost and building approach for The Portal to bring its cost down.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: June 10, 2025

There was no member of the public wishing to comment. Member Thompson motioned to approve the minutes; it was seconded by Member Munoz. A majority voice vote approved the motion.

Members Karnilowicz, Schatmeier, Tereda, Thompson and Vice Chair Shaw abstained.

4. Facility Operations Update (10 minutes)

R.E. Walsh, TJPA Facility Director, presented the item.

5. Presentation on TJPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Programs (10 minutes)

Annyse Acevedo, TJPA Procurement & Contract Compliance Manager and DBE/SBE Liaison Officer, presented the item.

6. The Portal Update (20 minutes)

Alfonso Rodriguez, TJPA Project Director for The Portal, presented the item.

Public Comment:

Roland Lebrun shared he has been observing the Downtown Rail Extension since 2009 and believes the root of all the problems is the project has been designed using 19th century techniques. He shared if 20th century techniques were used, the project would only cost \$2 billion, making federal money unnecessary.

7. Public Comment

Roland Lebrun stated that his experience with Webex for this meeting was better than last month, but he suggested TJPA speak with SFGOV TV to find out how they use Webex, which he believes could improve ease of use.

8. CAC Member Comments & Future Agenda Requests

Secretary Larrick noted that with the presentation on DBE and SBE programs under Item 5 on the above agenda, the previous Future Item 3 “Small Business and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise commitment for The Portal” is now complete and would be removed from the list.

Future agenda requests include: 1) San Francisco County Transportation Authority update on Southeast Railyard Station Study; 2) presentation on the Operating and Maintenance plan for the rail levels of the Transit Center; 3) presentation on Link21 and effects to The Portal; 4) presentation by SamTrans on their services at the Transit Center; 5) update on upgraded Clipper machines in the Transit Center; 6) presentation by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency on Bus Plaza bus departure times listed in information displays; and, 7) presentation by San Francisco Mayor’s Transportation Advisor on the new administration’s transportation priorities.

9. Adjourn

Vice Chair Shaw adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

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