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**Transportation Committee Notes (DRAFT)**

**Date: May 13th 2021; 3:00 – 4:00 pm**

**225 37th Ave., Room 137, San Mateo, CA (by Zoom)**

Commissioners: Marita Leth n/a, Monika Lee X, Michael Mau X,  
Scott McMullin X, Cherie Querol Moreno X, Kathy Uhl X.

Staff: Anna Sawamura n/a, Cristina Ugaitafa X.

Public: Tina Dubost, SamTrans.

1. Chair Michael Mau called the meeting to order at 3pm.
2. Note taking: Michael.
3. Public Comment: n/a
4. Agenda reviewed, no changes.
5. Prior meeting notes reviewed, no changes.
6. Member Reports:

Commissioner McMullin - Asked Tina Dubost to recap that a presentation was given to PCC on the reimagine SamTrans options, and future presentations at community meetings upcoming; PCC also reviewed their work plan for the next 2 years.

Commissioner Lee - San Mateo received \$320k grant for Get Around Program to extend it for several years, under a Lifeline Transportation Program block grant. Asked about the possibility of reciprocal benefits amongst various programs? Discussion on how some programs already go beyond city borders to medical offices, for example. Also discussed needing more data on what percentage of riders are actually going beyond boundaries, to see if advocating for reciprocity is worthwhile.

Commissioner Mau - SamTrans invited me to join their last Board Meeting to accept a Proclamation honoring Older Americans Month for May 2021, which I accepted on behalf of the COA and noted the importance of SamTrans recognizing the need for available transportation options for seniors. Pacifica CAFE task force is meeting later this month to discuss ongoing projects and the action plan.

Commissioner Querol Moreno - Asked about mask guidelines for the rideshare programs? Discussion that CDC guidelines are still requiring masks on public transportation, along with various other state and local requirements. Noted that the Got Wheels has had a surge in applications, now up to 282, and offers free rides to some vaccination sites.

Commissioner Uhl - Mentioned the SamTrans program using ambassadors to assist Seniors on how to access services. Also on the mask topic, noted that a reasonable accommodation request has to be done in advance, and applicant then can receive a letter of accommodation. She is now on the Burlingame age friendly task force.

7. New Business: Christina Ugaitafa announced she is in discussion with on SamTrans for their NBC meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> to have a reimagine SamTrans presentation. NBC also looked at Area Plan topics including a future transportation meeting.

Tina Dubost discussed and we reviewed the Reimagine SamTrans website (1) Direct, high frequency service within out County (but does reduce service into SF, and so far is a less desirable option); (2) Improving connections to rail and the region; and (3) Retain Geographic Coverage, i.e. increasing coverage areas. Virtual Community Meetings for the Reimagine discussion are scheduled and on the website. Also noted a pilot program of On Demand Service in 4 select cities. Unfortunately, the Ride Now pilot program using Serra Cab was discontinued due to low ridership. SamTrans still offers free rides to vaccination sites.

8. Next meeting for TC is tentatively scheduled for June 10, 2021 from 3:00-4:00pm.