

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-051

ENDORSE THE “RIDING TOGETHER: BAY AREA HEALTHY TRANSIT PLAN”

August 28, 2020

WHEREAS, like other Bay Area transit systems, the health of riders and transit workers continues to be the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District’s number one priority;

WHEREAS, despite an unprecedented loss of ridership due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many riders continue to depend on Bay Area systems for essential travel;

WHEREAS, survey data increasingly suggests that the majority of riders will return to transit when allowed to do so;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has presented transit systems with an historic set of challenges, including the need to adjust protocols and procedures to ensure a safe operating environment;

WHEREAS, since the start of the pandemic, transit systems have collaborated with each other and with regional leaders, transit workers, rider advocates, public health experts, and others to create the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan, which outlines a baseline set of measures that transit systems will implement to protect riders and workers;

WHEREAS, the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan provides guidance in the areas of vehicle disinfecting, physical distancing, face coverings, touchless payments, ventilation, employee personal protective equipment, testing, contact tracing, and employee wellness assessments;

WHEREAS, the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan will coexist and complement system specific plans developed by individual transit agencies;

WHEREAS, the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan is a living document and is intended to evolve as transit agencies continue to monitor rider and employee health on their systems and collaboratively take steps to respond to changing conditions; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Committee, at its meeting of August 27, 2020, has so recommended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District supports the implementation of the “Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan” on our system and throughout the Bay Area to keep transit riders and workers healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that through the method established for transit system reporting of health metrics related to the COVID-19 pandemic, that the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District will report monthly on Golden Gate Transit Bus and Golden Gate Ferry's performance in aligning with the baseline health measures set forth in the Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan.

ADOPTED this 28th day of August 2020, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

- AYES (13):** Directors Arnold, Belforte, Fewer Fredericks, Garbarino, Hill, Mastin, Rabbitt, Sears and Sobel; Second Vice President Cochran; First Vice President Theriault; President Pahre.
- NOES (1)** Directors Grosboll.
- ABSENT (3):** Director Hernández, Moylan and Yee.

[Note: On this date, there were two vacancies on the Board of Directors.]



Barbara L. Pahre
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST: 

Amorette M. Ko-Wong
Secretary of the District

Reference: August 27, 2020, Transportation Committee, Agenda Item No. (4)
<https://www.goldengate.org/assets/1/14/2020-0827-transcomm-no4-authresosuppbayareahealthytransitplanreso.pdf?6032>