**Ferry Passengers Advisory Committee**

# (FPAC)

# *Minutes of Meeting of Monday, January 9, 2023*

FPAC Members Present: Chuck Hornbrook, Jordan Jaffe, Maryline Lewett, Erik Selvig, Michael Stryker

Guests Present: Dan Bell, BPAC; Jim Mastin, Board of Directors

Staff Present: Michael Hoffman, Director of Engineering and Maintenance; Collette Martinez, Manager of Ferry Operations; Carlena Natouf, Customer Relations Supervisor; Josh Widmann, Associate Planner

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2022. Minutes were approved with no edits.
2. **Operational Issues**
3. Ridership Updates. Josh Widmann reported weekday ridership for all routes was close to 3,000 unlinked daily passenger trips in November and December. Larkspur average weekday ridership is around 2,000 unlinked passenger trips while Larkspur weekend ridership averages approximately 500 unlinked daily passenger trips. Sausalito service has been carrying around 600 to 800 unlinked passenger trips on average days and up to 1,400 unlinked passenger trips on sunny days. Tiburon has been averaging 200 to 400 unlinked passenger trips depending on weather. Unlinked daily passenger trips for Angel Island depends on weather, averaging around 50 on winter weekdays and 300 on sunny weekends.
4. Service Updates. Josh Widmann reported that recent schedule changes have taken effect as of January 2, but the results have been difficult to determine due to the severe storms over the past few weeks and their impact on service and ridership. Collette Martinez stated the next schedule changes will occur on April 2 to coordinate with the baseball schedules. Michael Stryker mentioned that he has heard positive comments on the new schedules. Collette Martinez stated Golden Gate Ferry Larkspur service now has four convenient timed connections with SMART train service.
5. **Updates and Other Items**
6. Vessel Updates. Michael Hoffman stated the M.S. *Sonoma* remains in the Chula Vista shipyard. Ferry is waiting on a response from the Coast Guard regarding a hull issue, and depending on the level of necessary repairs, the boat may return in 30 to 45 days.
7. Terminal Updates. The inner berth repairs at San Francisco began November 21 and Michael Hoffman stated we were hoping to have it back in service in February, however, there have been some delays due to the weather. No plans for the outer berth were available. Michael Stryker inquired if we could run all service out of the inner berth and was told we can. Collette Martinez informed the committee that dredging had finished outside of the Larkspur terminal and the contractor used did great work. Ms. Martinez also stated that Deputy General Manager Jim Swindler had retired. She also mentioned a new Director of Ferry Operations had been hired, Chris Bearden.
8. Return to Office Timeline Discussion. Chuck Hornbrook stated the One Maritime parking garage appeared to be approximately 80 percent utilized. He added that the Sutter/Stockton garage upper deck was not in use. Michael Stryker stated Mission Bay on-street parking remains relatively easy. North Bay-residing UCSF workers may continue to prefer to drive to the office, due to the fact that the Muni T light rail will now require a transfer to the N Judah light rail line to get to the ferry building. He estimated this transfer could add 10 minutes.
9. **Committee Business**

A. FPAC Initiatives.

i. Larkspur 42 Crossings/Parking Needs Environmental Review. Josh Widmann stated that the no updates were available at the time of the meeting but the calibration work for the baseline ridership model continues.

ii. Sonoma-Marin Bike Share. Josh Widmann reported that an update was going to the Transportation Authority of Marin on January 9 to discuss a new Request for Proposals. Collette Martinez stated this service would be of use for reverse commuters to access jobs in Marin. Chuck Hornbrook stated the Romberg Campus in Tiburon may benefit from bike share.

iii. Future Vessels Discussion. Some survey results were discussed including the desire for window seats with views and lighting on both decks. An outside wraparound deck was being considered.

iv. Election of FPAC Chair and Vice-Chair. FPAC was notified that in order to align with the other PAC groups a chair and vice-chair will be necessary. Michael Stryker was elected FPAC chair and Chuck Hornbrook was elected FPAC vice-chair with a unanimous vote.

1. Membership Recruitment & New Member Vote. FPAC was informed an outreach may take place to recruit up to three additional members. These prospective members will be invited to the February FPAC meeting.
2. **Member/Visitor Comments**

No comments from members or visitors.

1. **Next Meeting: February 13, 2023.**

The committee agreed to reconvene on February 13, 2023from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. using the Zoom meeting format.