

September 23, 2021



**MINUTES OF THE BUILDING AND OPERATING COMMITTEE/
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20, issued by the Governor of the State of California, in which portions of the Ralph M. Brown Act are suspended and allows all Board members, staff, and the public to participate by telephone.

**These minutes are supplemented by the audio recording that is posted online at:
<https://www.goldengate.org/district/board-of-directors/meeting-documents>.**

Honorable Board of Directors
Golden Gate Bridge, Highway
and Transportation District

Honorable Members:

A meeting of the Building and Operating Committee/Committee of the Whole (Committee) of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) was held via audio conferencing on Thursday, September 23, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., Chair Theriault presiding.

- (1) Call to Order:** 9:00 a.m.
- (2) Roll Call:** Secretary of the District Amorette M. Ko-Wong.

Committee Members Present (7): Chair Theriault; Vice-Chair Garbarino; Directors Cochran, Fredericks, Mastin and Rabbitt; President Pahre.

Committee Members Absent (1): Director Hernández.

Other Directors Present (3): Directors Grosboll, Hill and Snyder.

Committee of the Whole Members Present (10): Directors Fredericks, Garbarino, Grosboll, Hill, Mastin, Rabbitt, and Snyder; Second Vice President Cochran; First Vice President Theriault; President Pahre.

Committee of the Whole Members Absent (7): Directors Arnold, Conroy, Giudice, Hernández, Melgar, Rodoni and Stefani.

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

Staff Present: General Manager Denis Mulligan; Auditor-Controller Joseph Wire; District Engineer Ewa Bauer-Furbush; Secretary of the District Amorette Ko-Wong; Attorney Kimon Manolius; Deputy General Manager/Administration and Development Kellee Hopper; Deputy General Manager/Bridge Division Steve Miller; Deputy General Manager/Bus Transit Division Mona Babauta; Deputy General Manager/Ferry Division

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James Swindler; Executive Administrator to the General Manager Justine Bock; Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells.

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(3) Authorize the Setting of a Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment on the Recommended Actions Included in the Bicycle Safety Study for the Golden Gate Bridge [02:09 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Deputy General Manager/Bridge Division Steve Miller presented the staff report. He highlighted that the outreach has elicited comments that have assisted the project team. He explained that the virtual open house would be self-guided. He indicated that after the public outreach activities conclude, the project team will update the *Bicycle Safety Study for the Golden Gate Bridge* (Study) to reflect the input that is gathered from the public.

Directors Cochran, Hill and Mastin commented and inquired about the staff report. Director Cochran asked how staff would handle the bicyclists who exceed the speed limit. Director Hill expressed appreciation for the work done to date on the Study and confidence in the process. He also noted his concerns about utilizing 2015 data for the Study. Director Mastin inquired about the use of disability mobility devices.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Mulligan responded to the Directors' inquiries. Mr. Miller stated that the California Highway Patrol has the power to cite people who exceed the speed limit on the Bridge. Mr. Mulligan spoke about a safety study conducted by the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF). Mr. Miller stated that disability mobility devices are allowed, and staff would consider language to make it apparent in the Master Ordinance.

(a) Action by the Committee

Staff recommended and the Committee concurred by motion made and seconded by **Directors MASTIN/FREDERICKS** to forward the following recommendation to the Board of Directors for its consideration:

RECOMMENDATION

The Building and Operating Committee/Committee of the Whole recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the setting of a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the recommended actions included in the Bicycle Safety Study for the Golden Gate Bridge. The public hearing would take place via audioconference on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Action by the Board at its meeting of September 24, 2021 – Resolution

AYES (10): Directors Fredericks, Garbarino, Grosboll, Hill, Mastin, Rabbitt and Snyder; Second Vice President Cochran; First Vice President Theriault; President Pahre.

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NOES (0): None.

ABSENT (7): Directors Arnold, Conroy, Giudice, Hernández, Melgar, Rodoni and Stefani.

**(4) Status Report from Board Appointee(s) on Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit Board
[18:22 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Director Garbarino provided a Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART) status report, which was for informational purposes only and no action was taken. Director Rabbitt added to the report.

(5) Status Report on Engineering Projects [22:50 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

District Engineer Ewa Bauer-Furbush presented a status report, which was for informational purposes only and no action was taken.

(6) Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

(7) Adjournment [23:41 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

All business having been concluded, Directors COCHRAN/RABBITT moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Theriault, Chair
Building and Operating Committee

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