

October 28, 2022



MINUTES OF THE
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE
/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Assembly Bill 361, signed by the Governor of the State of California on September 16, 2021, amends the Ralph M. Brown Act to allow Board members, staff and the public to participate remotely in meetings, without complying with traditional teleconference meeting rules.

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 Governmental Affairs and Public Information Committee (Committee)/Committee of the Whole of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) was held via audio conferencing on Friday, October 28, 2021, at 9:04 a.m., Chair Cochran presiding.

- (1) **Call to Order:** 9:04 a.m.
- (2) **Roll Call:** Secretary of the District Amorette M. Ko-Wong.

Committee Members Present (6): Chair Cochran; Vice Chair Snyder; Directors Garbarino, Hill and Rodoni; President Theriault.

Committee Members Absent (3): Directors Giudice, Hernández and Stefani.

Other Directors Present (4): Directors Grosboll, Mastin, Pahre and Thier.

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

Committee of the Whole Members Absent (6): Directors Arnold, Conroy, Giudice, Hernández, Rabbitt and Stefani.

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

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Staff Present: General Manager Denis Mulligan; Auditor-Controller Joseph Wire; Secretary of the District Amorette Ko-Wong; Attorneys Madeline Chun and Kimon Manolius; Deputy General Manager/Bridge Division David Rivera; Deputy General Manager/Bus Transit Division Mona Babauta; Deputy General Manager/Ferry Division James Swindler; Deputy General Manager/Administration and Development Kellee Hopper; Executive Administrator to the General Manager Justine Bock; Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells.

A copy of the report is available on the District's web site at <https://www.goldengate.org/district/board-of-directors/meeting-documents> or upon request from the Office of the District Secretary.

[Director Pahre arrived.]

**(3) State Update from the District's Legislative Advocates, Platinum Advisors, LLC
[04:09 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

The District's Sacramento Legislative Advocates Beau Biller and Steve Wallauch from Platinum Advisors, LLC presented the report, which was for informational purposes only and no action was required.

[15:40 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Director Grosboll inquired about AB 2949.

Director Hill inquired about the Seismic Retrofit project schedule.

Director Thier inquired about the Assembly race for the 12th District.

Director Snyder inquired about the discretionary Bridge Investment Program funding, and commented about efforts to support the District's application.

Director Pahre commented about the importance of the District's lobbying and grant application efforts. She expressed appreciation for the involved parties – Platinum representatives, Director Snyder, staff and others – and their efforts to secure grant funding.

Mr. Wallauch and Mr. Mulligan responded to the Directors' inquiries. Mr. Wallauch clarified that AB 2949 applies to the District. Mr. Mulligan responded that the law requires the District to obtain funding for the Seismic Retrofit project before a contract for the construction is awarded and he spoke about a grant application that was submitted. He provided additional information about the discretionary Bridge Investment Program funding.

The following individual spoke under public comment: **[23:06 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

- David Pilpel, San Francisco Resident

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(4) **Public Comment**

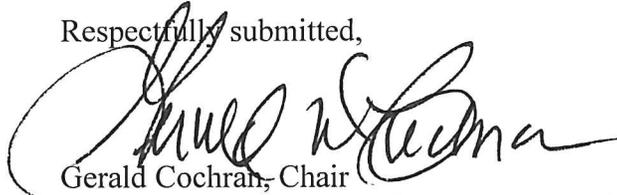
There was no Public Comment.

(5) **Adjournment [26:24 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

All business having been concluded, **Directors HILL/PAHRE** moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Gerald Cochran, Chair
Governmental Affairs and Public Information Committee

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