



## **REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT'S DRAFT 2024 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) TRANSITION PLAN**

**MAY 23, 2024**

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

The Board of Directors (Board) of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) held a public hearing in the Board Room, Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA, on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 9:01 a.m., with President Cochran presiding. A remote audio option for public participation was available.

**Directors in Attendance (11):** Directors Garbarino, Giudice, Grosboll, Hernández, Mastin, Pahre, Rodoni and Thériault; Second Vice President Rabbitt; First Vice President Hill; President Cochran.

**Staff Present:** General Manager Denis Mulligan; Auditor-Controller Joseph Wire; Secretary of the District Amorette Ko-Wong; Attorney Kimon Manolius; Deputy General Manager/Bridge Division David Rivera; Deputy General Manager/Bus Transit Division Les Belton; Deputy General Manager/Ferry Division Michael Hoffman; Deputy General Manager/Administration and Development Division Kellee Hopper; Director of Planning Ron Downing; ADA Compliance and Program Manager Jon Gaffney; Executive Administrator to the General Manager Justine Bock; Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells.

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**(1) Purpose of Public Hearing [01:27 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

President Cochran stated the purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment on proposed options to increase tolls on the Golden Gate Bridge.

**(2) Public Outreach [01:36 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Secretary of the District Amorette Ko-Wong summarized the District's public outreach for the public hearing. Attorney Kimon Manolius confirmed that the public outreach meets the legal requirements for calling a public hearing.

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**(3) Correspondence Received Relative to the Proposal [04:26 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Ms. Ko-Wong reported that no comments (except for 1 about weblink) had been received about the proposal as of close of business on May 22, 2024. She said that Director of Planning Ron Downing / ADA Compliance and Program Manager Jon Gaffney would provide additional information. Mr. Downing stated that all comments relative to this Public Hearing and the toll increase would be presented to the Finance-Auditing Committee and Board of Directors at meetings in June 2024.

**(4) Presentation by District Staff [05:11 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Director of Planning Ron Downing / ADA Compliance and Program Manager Jon Gaffney provided an overview of the proposal. He reviewed the public comments received and said a summary of the comments would be provided at the Building and Operating Committee meeting of June X, 2024.

**(5) Public Comment [15:29 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

President Cochran inquired about the number of people who were present to make public comments.

Ms. Ko-Wong responded that 1 person is present in the room and indicated more may be available on the phone. She outlined the guidelines for the public comments, and said each person would have three minutes in which to make comments.

**[16:30 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

The following individual spoke under Public Comment:

- Tasma Nia, San Rafael resident (in person) Building access comments.

**(6) Summary by the Secretary of the District [22:51 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Ms. Ko-Wong reported that the deadline for receiving written comments on this proposal is Friday, May 24, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

She stated that staff anticipates presenting a recommendation to the Building and Operating Committee on June 27, 2024, and forwarding it to the Board for approval on June 28, 2024.

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**(7) Adjournment [23:32 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

The public hearing was closed at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amorette M. Ko-Wong  
Secretary of the District

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Reference: Public Hearing (Draft 2024 ADA Transition Plan) – May 2024)  
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