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GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM OF MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AUGUST 23, 2024

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The Board of Directors (Board) of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) met in regular session in the Board Room, Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA, on Friday, August 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., with President Cochran presiding. A remote audio option for public participation was available.

- (1) **CALL TO ORDER:** President Gerald D. Cochran.
- (2) **ROLL CALL:** Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells. **[00:18 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

Directors Present (14): Directors Dorsey, Garbarino, Giudice, Grosboll, Mastin, Moulton-Peters, Pahre, Rodoni, Stefani, Thériault and Thier; Second Vice President Rabbitt; First Vice President Hill; President Cochran.

Directors Absent (5): Directors Conroy, Engardio, Hernández, Safaí and Snyder.

Staff Present: General Manager Denis Mulligan; Auditor-Controller Joseph Wire; District Engineer John Eberle; Secretary of the District Amorette Ko-Wong; Attorneys Kimon Manolius, Alexandra Atencio and Joseph Moore; 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 Kellee Hopper; Executive Administrator to the General Manager Justine Bock; Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells.

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- (3) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Director James Mastin [01:52 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

- (4) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** [02:21 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Senior Board Analyst Elizabeth Eells introduced Public Comment and stated that each speaker would have three minutes in which to make his or her comments.

The following individual spoke under Public Comment:

- Dave Rhody, The Climate Reality Project (in person)

- (5) **CONSENT CALENDAR:** [06:44 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Directors HILL/GIUDICE moved and seconded to approve the Consent Calendar. All items were approved by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

AYES (14): Directors Dorsey, Garbarino, Giudice, Grosboll, Mastin, Moulton-Peters, Pahre, Rodoni, Stefani, Thériault and Thier; Second Vice President Rabbitt; First Vice President Hill; President Cochran.

NOES (0): None.

ABSENT (5): Directors Conroy, Engardio, Hernández, Safaí and Snyder.

- (A) **Approve the Minutes of the following Meetings:**

- (1) Transportation Committee of July 25, 2024;
- (2) Building and Operating Committee of July 25, 2024;
- (3) Finance-Auditing Committee of July 25, 2024; and,
- (4) Rules, Policy and Industrial Relations Committee of July 26, 2024; and
- (5) Board of Directors of July 26, 2024.

Motion

- (B) **Ratification of Previous Actions by the Auditor-Controller:**

Resolution No. 2024-054 (as detailed in the August 23, 2024, Finance-Auditing Committee meeting)

- (1) Ratify Commitments and/or Expenditures
- (2) Ratify Previous Investments
- (3) Authorize Reinvestments
- (4) Accept Investment Report, July 2024

Adopted

- (6) **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

- (A) **General Manager** [07:16 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Mr. Mulligan highlighted a few items in the General Manager Report, including: 1) Bridge traffic and transit ridership; 2) Bus Transit and Ferry service changes; 3) potential risk to Federal Transit Administration funds for the District's bus and ferry operations and capital projects arising from ongoing litigation regarding the California Public Employees'

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Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) and federal protections for transit workers known as “13(c); 4) the District recently received a commitment of \$149 million in new money from the State, so in October Staff will ask the Board to approve a Funding Plan for the Suspension Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project; and, 5) Employee recognition of Hung Lam.

[15:10 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Director Thériault expressed appreciation for the new section, “Update District Strategic Planning Effort,” in the General Manager Report. He commented about a potential new District position focused on the Strategic Plan, climate change, mitigation and associated savings.

Director Moulton-Peters expressed appreciation to Mr. Mulligan and Director of Marketing Dana Fehler for creating a Fact Sheet about the District’s transit service changes for the public.

(B) Attorney [16:52 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Attorney Kimon Manolius presented the monthly Attorney Report, which was for informational purposes only.

(1) Closed Session

Attorney Manolius reported that a Closed Session, listed on the Board Agenda as Item No. 6.B.1.a. would take place just prior to the conclusion of this meeting:

- (a) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
Report of Hanson Bridgett, LLP
One Potential Case.

(C) District Engineer [17:13 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

District Engineer John Eberle presented the District Engineer Report, which was for informational purposes only and no action was taken. He provided an update on a number of projects including:

- Suicide Deterrent System;
- San Rafael Bus and Employee Parking Lot; and
- Seismic Retrofit.

(7) OTHER REPORTS:

There were no Other Reports to discuss.

(8) REPORT OF COMMITTEES: [18:52 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

(A) Building and Operating Committee/Committee of the Whole [18:59 Minutes

Mark on the Audio Recording]

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Chair Patricia Garbarino

- (1) **Approve Actions Relative to Award of Contract No. 2023-BT-060, Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) On-Call Consulting Services [19:05 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

[Director Thier recused herself and departed.]

Directors GARBARINO/THÉRIAULT

Resolution No. 2024-055 approves actions relative to award of Contract No. 2023-BT-060, *Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) On-Call Consulting Services*, as follows:

- (a) Authorizes award of ZEB On-Call Consulting Services, relative to Contract No. 2023-BT-060, to Hatch of Pittsburgh, PA; Jacobs of San Francisco, CA; and Stantec of San Francisco, CA for a three-year base term, with up to two additional one-year option terms, for a total aggregate not-to-exceed amount of \$2,000,000, for the five-year term with the understanding that sufficient funds are available in the FY 24/25 Bus Division Capital Budget for Project #2130, ZEB Infrastructure Design, to finance these actions.
- (i) Hatch, Pittsburgh, PA (Contract No. 2023-BT-060-01)
(ii) Jacobs, San Francisco, CA (Contract No. 2023-BT-060-02)
(iii) Stantec, San Francisco, CA (Contract No. 2023-BT-060-03)
- (b) Authorizes the General Manager or Designee to issue individual task orders to the above listed firms up to the total aggregate approved amount if the task orders are within the contract scope, within the approved contract amount and if funding is available within the District's annual budget. All task orders over \$20,000 will be presented to the Board's Finance-Auditing Committee in the *Quarterly Reports on Procurements Under the General Manager's Authority*.

Adopted

AYES (13): Directors Dorsey, Garbarino, Giudice, Grosboll, Mastin, Moulton-Peters, Pahre, Rodoni, Stefani and Thériault; Second Vice President Rabbitt; First Vice President Hill; President Cochran.

NOES (0): None.

ABSENT (6): Directors Conroy, Engardio, Hernández, Safaí, Snyder and Thier.

[Director Thier returned.]

- (2) **Authorize Execution of the Second Amendment to Contract No. 2020-D-006-B, On-Call Video Production Services, with Fire Starter Studios [20:49 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]**

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Directors GARBARINO/MASTIN

Resolution No. 2024-056 authorizes execution of the Second Amendment to Contract No. 2020-D-006-B, *On-Call Video Production Services*, with Fire Starter Studios, in the amount of \$5,500 for completion of the Suicide Deterrent documentary, with the understanding that there are sufficient funds in the FY 24/25 Bridge Division Capital Budget.

Adopted

AYES (14): Directors Dorsey, Garbarino, Giudice, Grosboll, Mastin, Moulton-Peters, Pahre, Rodoni, Stefani, Thériault and Thier; Second Vice President Rabbitt; First Vice President Hill; President Cochran.

NOES (0): None.

ABSENT (5): Directors Conroy, Engardio, Hernández, Safaí and Snyder.

(9) ADDRESSES TO BOARD:

There were no Addresses to Board.

(10) SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

There was no Special Order of Business.

(11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(A) Closed Session [21:51 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

Attorney Kimon Manolius, at the request of President Cochran, stated that the Board would convene in Closed Session, as permitted by the Brown Act, to discuss the matters listed on the Board Agenda as Closed Session, Items No. 6.B.1.a. as outlined above.

[The Closed Session lasted one hour and 22 minutes and is not included on the audio recording.]

[Directors Dorsey and Stefani departed.]

(B) Open Session [22:14 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

After Closed Session, President Cochran called the meeting to order in Open Session with a quorum present. Attorney Manolius reported that the Board had met in Closed Session, as permitted by the Brown Act, and received a report from general counsel regarding the matters listed on the Board Agenda as Items No. 6.B.1.a. and provided guidance to counsel.

(12) NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

(13) COMMUNICATIONS [22:22 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

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President Cochran stated that copies of Communications are available from the District Secretary's Office.

(14) ADJOURNMENT: [22:33 Minutes Mark on the Audio Recording]

All business having been concluded Directors HILL/GIUDICE moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Charleen Rae Hoy at 11:46 a.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Amorette M. Ko-Wong
Secretary of the District

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