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Subject: MTC Partnership Legislative Committee Update - Transportation Revenue Measure Select Committee and 2025 Advocacy Program

Dear MTC Partnership Legislative Committee –

It's a busy time at MTC right now and I'm reaching out 1) with an update on work related to a future regional transportation measure and 2) to request you put a hold on your calendar for our MTC Partnership Legislative Committee meeting to information-share on our agencies' respective 2025 advocacy priorities.

Last Monday, the [MTC Transportation Revenue Measure Select Committee](#) held its fifth and final meeting. This Committee was formed in response to a joint decision by Senator Wiener, Senator Wahab and MTC leadership to pause SB 1031 (Wiener/Wahab) and instead work to build consensus within the region regarding the contents of a potential 2026 Bay Area transportation ballot measure (and 2025 state authorizing legislation for such a measure) aimed at improving the transit rider experience and averting major transit service cuts starting in 2026.

The Select Committee included 16 local elected officials (subset of MTC Commissioners), industry leaders, and policy experts from across the region along with non-voting participation by Senator Wiener and Senator Cortese's staff.

Throughout this process, the Committee has considered several key topics, such as:

- The scope of the measure (e.g., addressing pandemic-driven fare losses, closing transit operator shortfalls, and/or broader multimodal system improvements)
- Potential revenue mechanisms
- Duration of the measure
- Ensuring transparency and accountability
- Other policy considerations for accompanying legislation

The Committee's work has been guided by input from the Bay Area public, state, federal and local leaders, and the Transportation Revenue Measure Executive Group, which includes members from Bay Area transit agencies and county transportation agencies. Special shout out to many of you who either served on the Select Committee or Executive Group, staffed those meetings, provided information to inform the discussions and/or otherwise put in time and effort to help ensure the dialogue was robust.

With a broad array of opinions among its members, the Select Committee kept many options on the table, and it's fair to say no consensus on a specific proposal has been reached yet. That said, members did approve two motions related to funding frameworks that should be further explored as well as policy components for enabling legislation and ranked key variables on a 1-5 scale to help inform the Commission. [This MTC news story](#) provides a summary of the Select Committee's feedback. More information, including the final motions that were approved as well as the rankings of the variables, is available on this [TRM Select Committee page](#) on our website (see "Related Documents" on left side of page).

Key Upcoming Dates:

- **November 8th:** Presentation on the Transportation Revenue Measure Select Committee at the MTC/ABAG Joint Legislation Committee meeting (information item).

- **December 9th:** Special full Commission meeting to discuss the transportation revenue measure (action item).

As always, don't hesitate to reach out on this or any other topic, and please keep an eye out for the MTC Partnership Legislative Committee Meeting calendar invitation.

Best,

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