

AGENDA

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Geary Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting 10

Date: 6:00 p.m., Thursday, April 28, 2005

Location: 100 Van Ness Avenue, 25th Floor

6:00 1. Introductions - INFORMATION

Chair, Bruce Balshone, will call role and introduce agency staff in the audience. Subsequently, Authority staff will provide a brief study update to apprise Committee Members of key project work since the last meeting.

6:10 2. Approval of Minutes – ACTION *

6:15 3. Summary of Workshop Series 1 – INFORMATION +

The first series of workshops for the Geary Corridor Bus Rapid Transit Study was a tremendous success. Approximately 120 people attended the three workshop series in addition to the consultant team and agency staff. The workshops also attracted a significant amount of press coverage and community interest in the study. Participants were actively engaged in both the presentation and the small group exercise. We were less successful at attracting non-English speakers to these events, despite significant press in the Chinese language papers. Staff is looking for alternative ways to engage non-English speakers. For example, we could attend community events that will attract non-English speakers, rather than providing translation services at the next series of Geary workshops. The workshop summary will be available at the meeting for committee members to review. In addition, staff will highlight key themes that emerged during these events and how they will be addressed in the study. **We are seeking input on the community feedback collected at the first series of workshops. We are seeking input on potential events and other strategies for engaging non-English speakers.**

6:40 4. BRT Case Study for Bogotá, Columbia – INFORMATION

Bus rapid transit is a flexible mode that can be shaped to meet the specific operating and design needs of a community. BRT should be uniquely defined for San Francisco to fit local priorities and the features of the existing transit system. However, San Francisco's BRT system should benefit from lessons learned nationally and internationally. To give the Geary Citizens Advisory Committee exposure to successful bus rapid transit systems in the US and abroad, staff will present both domestic and international case studies at the next several meetings. The first presentation will focus on Bogota, Columbia, which is regarded by many as the most effective BRT system worldwide. **We are seeking input regarding how the Bogotá case study should inform BRT on Geary Boulevard.**

7:20 5. Next Meeting – May 26, 2005

6. Public Comment

7:30 7. Adjourn

* Materials attached.

+ Materials to be provided at the meeting.

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