



San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART)
 Earthquake Safety Program

Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting
 2013 – 2015 Term

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 4:30 pm

BART Board Room
 Kaiser Center 20th Street Mall, Third Floor
 344 20th Street, Oakland CA 94612

Meeting Number Term 4, Meeting 3	Meeting Date May 7, 2013	Meeting Time 4:30 pm
A t t e n d e e s	<i>Members</i> Ralph Mason Juliano Waldron Robert Barksdale Matt Wrona <i>Alternates</i> Richard Pipkin Sang Bak Lee Ching Wu Prabhat Goyal	<i>Staff</i> Molly McArthur Thomas Horton Bianca Mallory Brenden Neumayr Scott L. Schroeder Ramiro Salazar
A g e n d a I t e m	A c t i o n T a k e n	
<i>Welcome & Introductions</i>	M. McArthur called the meeting to order at approximately 4:35 pm. B. Mallory noted members' attendance. M. McArthur asked for approval of Meeting Minutes from 2/26 meeting. Committee approved unanimously.	
<i>Review of Administrative Matters</i>	M. McArthur discussed the selection of a Chairperson/Vice Chair and reviewed responsibilities of each. R. Mason asked if the report to the Board was written or	





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	<p>verbal.</p> <p>M. McArthur stated that the report is written by using the past meeting minutes from the year and gathering information with the committee members. There is a small verbal part.</p> <p>M. Wrona was nominated for Chair.</p> <p>R. Mason was nominated for Vice Chair.</p> <p>Committee voted for M. Wrona and R. Mason unanimously.</p>
<p><i>Guest Speaker</i> <i>Scott Schroeder</i></p>	<p>M. McArthur introduced S. Schroeder to present information on BART's General Obligation Bond fund.</p> <p>S. Schroeder gave an overview of the General Obligation Bond and how the investments have been managed for the Earthquake Safety Program.</p> <p>J. Waldron asked if the interest from investments go back into the projects.</p> <p>S. Schroeder responded in the affirmative, and T. Horton added that the money from interest earnings has not been shown in the budget because of some of the savings the Program has seen and there has not been a need.</p> <p>R. Mason asked if Bonds were straight forward and simple to sell.</p> <p>S. Schroeder responded that they were Bonds that are snapped up and very desirable AAA rated.</p> <p>R. Mason asked if the purchasing of these Bonds by committee members would be a violation of the Brown Act.</p> <p>M. McArthur stated that she could not advise on this matter, but would research further.</p>
<p><i>Project Update</i></p>	<p>T. Horton gave a project update and stated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four contracts have been closed out: West





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	<p>Oakland/UPRR Aerials, Systems & Equipment, R-Line South Aerials, and A-Line South Aerials are complete</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Six contracts currently in progress• Three projects are still possible: Fruitvale, Coliseum, Bay Fair Station; Fremont line between Lake Merritt and Coliseum; and Berkeley Hills Tunnel <p>T. Horton made several points about the Berkeley Hills Tunnel (BHT) including :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BHT was identified as source of vulnerability• Due to the lack of solution at the time the Berkeley Hills Tunnel was not included in the original program scope <p>T. Horton gave an overview of the original program scope and the decision by the BART Board to increase the scope.</p> <p>R. Mason asked if the General Obligation Bond allowed for scope increases.</p> <p>T. Horton responded that the Bond language was fairly vague and stated earthquake retrofits and upgrades, but was not programmatically specific.</p>
<p><i>Financial Report</i></p>	<p>T. Horton gave an overview of the Financial Report and the program funding of the General Obligation Bond, stating the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Earthquake Safety Program is 60% complete• CalTrans funds aren't shown- just General Obligation Bond funds• Savings from earlier contracts allowed for an increased scope• Lengthened schedule and higher cost due to increased design and scope change by BART Board• All engineering cost are consultants <p>R. Mason asked for the Financial Report to be broken down by each contract.</p> <p>T. Horton responded that it would be difficult as bond funds</p>





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	<p>are mixed with other funding sources.</p> <p>R. Mason asked for estimates on the Berkeley Hills vs. Fremont Line Projects.</p> <p>T. Horton estimated that Fremont line would cost \$95 million and, of the many approaches being considered for the Berkeley Hills Tunnel, about five are within budget. Life Safety retrofit for Berkeley Hills would probably be about \$90 million. Full retrofit is not affordable.</p> <p>R. Barksdale asked which consultants were doing the analysis for Berkeley Hills Tunnel.</p> <p>T. Horton responded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost and schedule estimates for design and construction by Jacobs Associates• Traffic Impact modeling from Parsons Brinkerhoff• Economic Impact analysis from Cambridge Systems• Benefit Cost Analysis by G & E Engineering• Jacobs is the lead and putting the overall report together <p>R. Mason asked if Bond monies would be able to be used for bus bridge facilities in the case of an earthquake.</p> <p>M. McArthur responded that the Bond money can only be used for the retrofit of existing structures.</p>
<p><i>Other Business</i></p>	<p>R. Pipkin asked to review reports regarding contractor's rates, etc.</p> <p>T. Horton stated that the full reports would be difficult to review since it includes proprietary information.</p> <p>M. McArthur suggested asking the BART Auditor to come in and speak on that topic at the next meeting.</p> <p>B. Barksdale expressed interest in having BART's Auditor be the next speaker and wanted more information regarding the Transbay Tube retrofits.</p> <p>T. Horton stated that the information regarding Transbay</p>





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	<p>Tube retrofits can be presented at the next meeting, but must be done in a closed session and members must sign a confidentiality agreement.</p> <p>R. Mason asked for more detail in the Financial Report and requested that it be broken down by contract.</p> <p>T. Horton stated that the information can be given for the full program funds, and not limited to \$980 million.</p> <p>M. McArthur pointed out that COC members are responsible for oversight of \$980 million Bond funds.</p>
<i>Adjournment</i>	<p>M. McArthur adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:05 pm.</p>

