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Meeting of June 6, 2024

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From: [Dan Bell](#)
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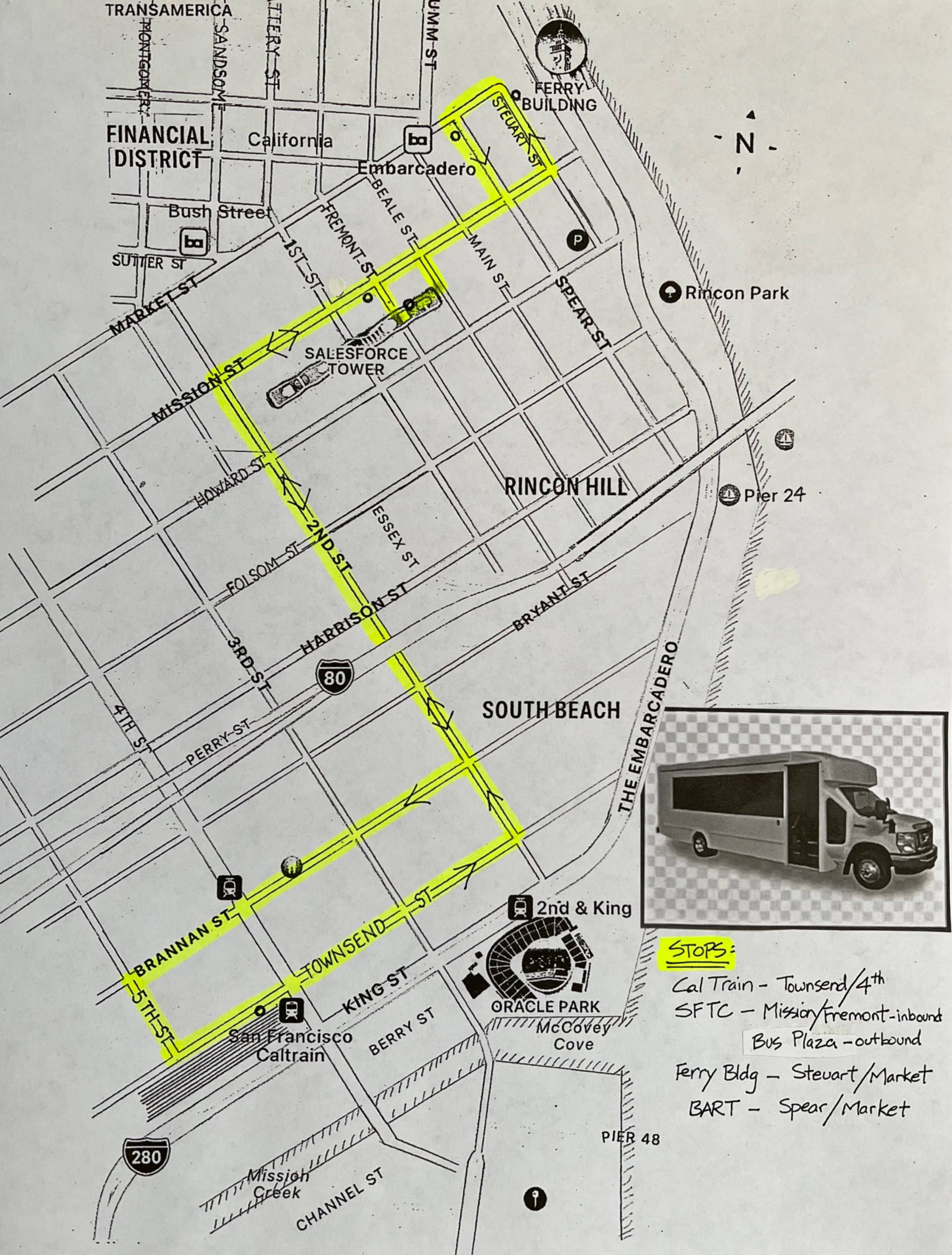
Dear Board Members: You had a very busy and important meeting today. Besides the SB1031 discussion, I was particularly interested in the Link21 discussion. As Director Burt said, a second Bay Crossing (BART or Regional Rail) may not now be justified due to post-pandemic travel patterns. Existing transit services and already planned/funded services should take priority.

We all anxiously await the CalTrain electrification ribbon-cutting. The DTX project to the train box at SalesForce Transit Center (although expensive and years away) will also certainly help improve ridership on CalTrain. DTX maintains a lot of momentum and local/regional support.

Until DTX is completed, I believe a Connector Shuttle Bus from the 4th/King CalTrain Station to SFTC, SF Ferries and BART/MUNI is greatly needed to provide the connectivity that regional transit agencies have been striving for. See attached map of an efficient shuttle bus loop route that would immediately fulfill this need at minimal costs. The proposed shuttle bus loop service can serve as a public demonstration how connectivity between regional rail and ferry services is an attractive alternative to the automobile and helps reduce harmful greenhouse gases.

As CalTrain board members, I hope you can address this “low hanging fruit” and support this immediate need.

Regards, Dan Bell, Bay Area transit enthusiast



STOPS:

- Cal Train - Townsend/4th
- SFTC - Mission/Fremont-inbound
- Bus Plaza -outbound
- Ferry Bldg - Stuart/Market
- BART - Spear/Market

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Honorable Board Members,

Attached please find a petition signed by 140 residents of Santa Clara, San Mateo, and San Francisco counties urging the agency to actively work on the Connect Bay Area Act - SB1031 with the authors, sponsors, transit agencies and community stakeholders to make this essential bill the best it can be for our communities, climate, and economy.

Thank you for your consideration,
- Adina
Adina Levin
Friends of Caltrain / <https://greencaltrain.com>
Seamless Bay Area / seamlessbayarea.org
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From: [Zachary Frank](#)
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Subject: Please support SB 1031, the Connect Bay Area Act. We want transit!
Date: Thursday, May 2, 2024 10:29:08 AM

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Caltrain Board of Directors Board of Directors,

Bay Area transit needs to be much better, but is at risk of becoming much worse due to funding shortfalls. For the region to meet its climate, economic growth, affordability, air quality, public health, and justice goals we need drastically improved transit service.

In order for all Bay Area residents to have affordable, abundant, accessible mobility, each of our 27 transit agencies needs to provide significantly more service. That means more frequency, more routes, more hours of service, and better coordination between agencies. Bay Area residents deserve to be able to depend on transit for all their various mobility needs in their neighborhood and throughout the wider community.

Bay Area voters must be given the opportunity to vote for additional funding for transit agencies to provide the high quality transit services our communities deserve. The State and Federal governments also need to step up and provide funding for transit service, but we can't wait for help from above.

I urge you to support SB1031 (Wiener/Wahab), the "Connect Bay Area Act." It would authorize putting a critically important regional public transportation measure on the 2026 ballot that would enable voters to provide the funding needed to stop service cuts to Caltrain, BART, and Muni, and fund service improvements in VTA's visionary network, SamTrans, as well as all 27 Bay Area transit agencies.

The measure would also strengthen service coordination among the agencies. As Bay Area residents and workers, our lives take us across city and county lines. But unlike the seamless driving experience that connects all local, county and state roads, our transit experience is far from smoothly coordinated. Lack of coordination makes transit unnecessarily difficult, holds back ridership, and puts a heavy toll on people who depend on transit and those with long commutes due to our region's housing affordability crisis.

The bill can and should be strengthened— for example, highway expansion is unnecessary, and it should prioritize progressive revenue sources. Please work with the bill authors, transit agencies and community stakeholders to make this essential bill the best it can be for our communities, climate, and economy.

But efforts to strengthen the bill should not threaten its viability. Without this bill, no Bay Area transit agency will be able to offer the coordinated service our communities need. Also, without this bill, many transit agencies will be forced to slash service: stranding riders, clogging our

roads, fouling our air, and stalling our economy.

I urge you to support SB 1031, the Connect Bay Area Act.

Regards,
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Sincerely,

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