## BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

In the Matter of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) Accepting a \$400,000 Allocation of Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant Funding From the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) For the Creation of an Ashby Station Access Plan.

Resolution No.

**WHEREAS**, the MTC adopted <u>Resolution 4530</u>, the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy; and

**WHEREAS,** the TOC Policy incentivizes local jurisdictions to plan and zone for higher residential and commercial densities in areas within one half-mile of existing and planned fixed-guideway transit stops and stations to support the region's transit investments and implement key greenhouse gas reduction strategies from Plan Bay Area 2050; and

**WHEREAS**, incentivizing local jurisdictions to also adopt policies focused on increasing housing production of all types, particularly affordable housing production, preservation and protection, commercial anti-displacement and stabilization, parking management, and transit station access and circulation further supports regional transit investments and Plan Bay Area 2050 implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, MTC conditions the allocation of regional discretionary funding for fixedguideway transit extension projects on compliance with the TOC Policy; and

**WHEREAS**, MTC anticipates that future regional funding, such as the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program, will consider compliance with the TOC Policy as part of the prioritization and project selection process starting with OBAG 4, expected in 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the TOC Policy establishes different compliance expectations for existing and planned station areas based on the level of transit service; and

**WHEREAS**, the TOC Policy identifies four TOC Policy areas (density, housing affordability, parking, and access/circulation); and

**WHEREAS**, on September 30, 2024, the MTC announced a call for submittals for the Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant (the Grant

Program), and informed local jurisdictions of a November 22, 2024 deadline for submittals of Applications, as well as grant application guidance and requirements including compliance with the TOC Policy; and

WHEREAS, BART and the City of Berkeley submitted a joint grant application to MTC for \$400,000 for development of the Ashby BART TOD Station Access Plan in response to the MTC's Grant Program, and MTC approved said application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that BART accepts an allocation of grant funding from MTC in the amount of \$400,000 for development of the Ashby BART TOD Station Access Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that BART commits to working with the City of Berkeley to complete the Ashby BART TOD Station Access Plan work scope with the MTC grant allocation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: **ABSTAIN:** 

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Board President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_ District Secretary