

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Omar Farmer, TSAC Chairperson

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Changes to TSAC Bylaws

**DATE:** March 27, 2025

This proposal features updates to four of the nine articles in our bylaws. Those include articles: II, III, V, and VII. A best practice for reviewing parliamentary procedures for, boards, commissions, and committees is to do so every one to two years. The current version of the TSAC's bylaws has exceeded that timeframe. Our proposed changes are intended to make them more thorough and up-to-date.

Starting with the title, it has been proposed to reference AB730 which replaced AB716. Further, the last sentence of the first paragraph of Article II was updated to appropriately reflect the scope and objective of the Committee.

Article III includes the most proposed changes. Section 1 increases our membership to up to nine members while leaving the minimum number of members at five. The changes to Section 2, B and C provide us with more flexibility for membership with those candidates being able to be either active or retired. We initially created a "Transit Oriented Community Representative" position that we later removed. Section 2, A and D were updated to be more inclusive of potential members who represent the backgrounds of those often affected by prohibition orders. Section 6 was updated to ensure accountability for members appointed to the Committee.

We've also increased our minimum number of meetings from four to eight in Article V. While we strive to have no less than eleven meetings per year, we felt this was an appropriate increase. BART PD who makes a presentation to us regarding monthly prohibition order statistics at every meeting agrees. This allows us to be more consistent and effective in fulfilling our duties.

Our proposal will also provide us with a more consistent meeting schedule by changing our code of parliamentary procedure from Robert's Rules to Alice Sturgis in Article VII. By doing so even if we don't have a quorum we will be able to meet and listen to informational items only. Fortunately, we've had a quorum at every meeting this year. In the past that wasn't always the case. The bylaw document attached highlights each change in detail.



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Omar Farmer, Chairperson  
Transit Security Advisory Committee (TSAC)