

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-021

**APPROVE ACTIONS RELATIVE TO A PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER CHANGES TO
GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT COMMUTE BUS SERVICE**

March 12, 2010

WHEREAS, the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) has identified a \$132 million projected deficit over the next five years; and,

WHEREAS, the District created a Financial Planning Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) in May 2009, for the purpose of identifying possible solutions to address said projected deficit; and,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee drafted and recommended approval of *FY 09/10 Financial Plan for Achieving Long-Term Financial Stability (Plan)* which laid out specific initiatives that, once implemented, will help restore the District to stable financial footing; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (Board) of the District approved said *Plan* at its meeting of October 30, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, Phase I of the *Plan* includes Initiative Nos. 9 and 10, which call for eliminating duplicative bus service and bus trips with low ridership; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to commute bus service will help restore the District to stable financial footing; and,

WHEREAS, commute service is regularly evaluated by staff to determine whether trips are meeting adopted performance standards of 20 intercounty passengers per trip; and,

WHEREAS, Board policy requires that a public process be undertaken when proposed trip reductions exceed 25% of the service on a given route; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Committee, at its meeting of March 11, 2010, has so recommended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the District's Board of Directors hereby approves the public review process associated with a proposal to consider changes to Golden Gate Transit (GGT) Commute Bus Service, as follows:

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1. A public hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., at Whistlestop Wheels in downtown San Rafael, CA, for the purpose of receiving public comment on a proposal to eliminate duplicative and/or low ridership bus services, with the understanding that staff will conduct information Open Houses as listed below, for the purpose of providing information, answering questions, and receiving input from the public about the proposed Golden Gate Transit commute bus service changes under consideration;
2. Accept transit service related public testimony at the Public Hearing on Friday, May 14, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., in the Board Room, Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA; and be it further
3. Present for public review at the Open Houses listed below and at the Public Hearings listed above in Item Nos. 1 and 2, a series of bus service reductions that either for reasons of low ridership or duplication of service options, warrant reduction in line with Initiative Nos. 9 and 10 of the *FY 09/10 Financial Plan for Achieving Long-Term Financial Stability*, with the understanding that a recommendation with the final set of changes will be presented to the Special Meeting of the Transportation Committee on Thursday, May 27, 2010 and to the Board of Directors on Friday, May 28, 2010, for approval:

Open House Marin County

Wednesday, April 7, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Embassy Suites
San Rafael, CA

Open House Sonoma County

Tuesday, April 13, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sonoma-Marin Fairgrounds
Petaluma, CA

Open House City and County of San Francisco

Thursday, April 15, 2010
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Board Room
Golden Gate Bridge
Toll Plaza Building
San Francisco, CA

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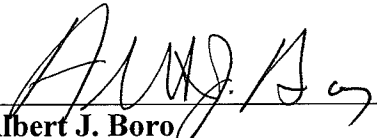
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ADOPTED this 12th day of March 2010, by the following vote of the Board:

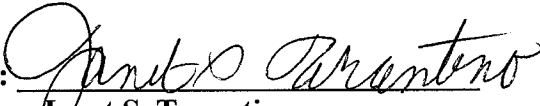
AYES (14): Directors Brown, Campos, Chu, Cochran, Grosboll, Kerns, McGlashan, Newhouse Segal, Pahre, Sobel and Stroeh; Second Vice President Eddie; First Vice President Reilly; President Boro

NOES (0): None

ABSENT (5): Directors Dufty, Elsbernd, Moylan, Sanders and Snyder



Albert J. Boro
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST: 

Janet S. Tarantino
Secretary of the District