



## City of Sebastopol

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Subject of Item: Recap of SCTA/RCPA Meeting Notes from 6/10/24

June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024: Attended Executive Board Meeting at 1:30pm + Full Board Meeting at 2:30pm

Additionally, I will be attending two meetings on June 17, 2024:

First, one meeting will be with CalTrans in combination with 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor, Lynda Hopkikns to discuss Sebastopol (as well as the whole 5<sup>th</sup> District) upcoming CalTrans projects. Additionally, later that day I will be participating in an informational interview with Equity First Consulting who will be working with RCPA over the next 6 months to improve their internal collaboration, organizational effectiveness, and ultimately their ability to do mission driven work through a visioning and alignment process.

### Item 5.1: Planning – Regional Transportation Plan – Plan Bay Area 2050+ Update

The Plan Bay Area 2050+ presentation included confirmation from MTC staff that SMART to Healdsburg Passenger Rail Project would be included in the plan. The regional growth pattern reflected in slide #8 (attached) was estimated using a number of different growth forecasting tools and datasets including the REMI regional population and employment model, UrbanSim model, and the Regional Travel Demand model as described in this technical

memo: [https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/meetings/attachments/5833/8aiv\\_PBA50\\_Attachment\\_C\\_Draft\\_Regional\\_Growth\\_Forecast.pdf](https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/meetings/attachments/5833/8aiv_PBA50_Attachment_C_Draft_Regional_Growth_Forecast.pdf). More detailed forecasts, including jurisdiction level housing and employment forecasts, will be released this month and will be available on the MTC website. Planning staff will provide a link to these forecasts in the July Planning Activities Report. MTC Staff will be providing an update on the Transit Oriented Community at the July 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting. We've requested that they also report on technical assistance MTC has provided using REAP 2.0 funding focused on housing element adoption and RHNA implementation support.

### Item 5.2: **Transit** – Integrated Transit Service Plan Recommendations – Approved.

SCTA staff will facilitate an MOU between our 3 bus operators to implement the plan recommendations. Plan will be presented to the Board of Supervisors, City of Santa Rosa and City of Petaluma.

### Item 5.3. **Advocacy** –Legislative Update

The Connect Bay Area Act of 2024 (SB-1031) will not be advanced in 2024. MTC meeting, June 12<sup>th</sup> with the authors to begin planning for 2025.

### Item 6 **Activities Reports Update:**

**Climate funding:** RCPA submitted a grant proposal on June 3 to the Office of Planning and Research Adaptation Planning Grant program for funding to develop an energy resilience plan for Sonoma County. RCPA partnered with two local CBOs - Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) and Nuestra Comunidad - to support community engagement for the project. Award announcements are expected in September 2024.

**Strategic Visioning and Organizational Alignment:** Staff worked with consultants at Equity First to launch Phase 1 of our Organizational Assessment. We developed invitation lists and questions for focus groups and Board interviews. Separate focus groups will be conducted with external staff partners, SCTA/RCPA advisory board members, and SCTA/RCPA staff. Focus groups and Board interviews will begin mid-June and be completed by the end of July.