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ded Action: Consider receiving an update on the work of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Fare Integration Task Force. [Requested by Director Walsh - 12/9/2020]

Sponsors:

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Action Text: MOTION: BECKLES/WILLIAMS to receive an update on the work of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Fare Integration Task Force. The motion carried by the following vote:						
Notes: Chief Financial Officer Chris Andrichak presented the staff report.						
Director Peeples commented that while he supported fare integration, he was concerned about funding, the impact on the typical rider who does not transfer and travels an average of only four miles, and any scenario that would improve service for long-distance commuters at the expense of local riders. He further cited racist and social equity issues that were documented in the Darensberg litigation and the potential to break with union workers in favor of contracted workers which could result from fare integration.						
Director Walsh acknowledged that while the study had a long way to go, she was glad it was proceeding and wanted to continue to study it. As to the issue of riders not going very far, she believed more people would take transit if it were easier and more accessible. She further recounted her experiment of utilizing multiple modes of transportation to travel across the bay at a cost of over \$20. She believed a more integrated fare system would open up a lot of trips and opportunities for people and agreed with Director Peeples that less service was not a tradeoff we would want to						

make. With respect to funding, she felt the District needed to continue to study it and find a way to make it work.

Director Beckles echoed the comments of Director Walsh, adding that fare integration made sense, would increase ridership, and benefit all riders.

Director Williams spoke in favor of the proposal and the benefits to riders and essential workers and committed to work with the Board to find the resources to make it work.

Public Comment:

Sabeek Pradhan, East Bay Transit Riders Union, gave a personal example to support the importance of transit integration in the Bay Area and the MTC fare integration study.

Derek Sagehorn, East Bay Transit Riders Union, encouraged the Board to support the broad scope of the MTC fare integration study and keep all options on the table. On the issue of equity, this speaker also expressed frustration with people who continue to say that professional and tech workers are the only people who would benefit from fare integration, believing that disadvantaged riders would not only benefit from the elimination of transfers between transit systems, but also have greater access to opportunity.

John Minot, East Bay Transit Riders Union, expressed support of the fare integration study and explained his views of the importance of a better inter-connected transit system and the possibilities for the District to take bold leadership toward fare integration.

Warren Cushman, East Bay Transit Riders Union, expressed support to the continued work of the MTC toward fare integration and that District support towards keeping all options on the table is important.

Rick Nahass, Public Speaker, gave a personal experience to show the importance of Fare Integration.

Ayes: 7 President Ortiz, Vice President Young, Director Walsh, Director Beckles,
Director Williams, Director Shaw, Director Peeples
