REG BSC 7-26-22 Sales Tax for Transportation Authority Recon Request DP 220727

I hereby request reconsideration of the Approved Digest for this ballot measure. I have included the text adopted by the Committee with my alternate language as tracked changes. I recommend these changes to increase accuracy and clarity. Thanks. DP

The Way It Is Now: The City has a one-half cent sales tax to pay for transportation with projects under a 30-year transportation spending plan approved by the voters in the November 4, 2003, election. The tax expires will expire on March 31, 2034.

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority (Transportation Authority) oversees the use of the these sales tax revenues. The Transportation Authority may issue up to \$1.88 billion in bonds to be repaid from sales the tax revenues.

State law limits the amount of revenue, including tax revenue, that the Transportation Authority can spend each year. State law authorizes San Francisco voters to approve increases to this limit for up to four years.

The Proposal: Proposition _ <u>is an ordinance that</u> would continue the one-half cent sales tax <u>for transportation</u> into 2053.

Proposition _ would replace the <u>existing current</u> transportation spending plan with a new 30-year <u>spending plan that</u>. The new plan would begin in 2023 and continue into 2053. After <u>completing the completion of</u> any required environmental review, the new <u>spending plan would include</u>:

- maintenance and improvements for streets, pedestrian safety, bicycle facilities, and traffic signs and signals;
- maintenance and improvements for Muni, BART and Caltrain;
- a Caltrain downtown rail extension to the Salesforce Transit Center;
- construction of a Bayview Caltrain station and a Mission Bay ferry landing;
- support for paratransit services for seniors and persons with disabilities;
- community-based projects, including those in underserved neighborhoods and areas with vulnerable populations; and
- projects to improve freeway safety improvements.

Under Proposition _, the Transportation Authority <u>could may</u> issue up to \$1.91 billion in bonds to pay for these projects. These bonds will be repaid from sales tax revenues.

Proposition _ would increase the Transportation Authority's spending limit, set by state law, for four years.

A "YES" Vote Means: If you vote "yes," you want to continue the one-half cent sales tax <u>for transportation</u> into 2053 to pay for transportation projects described in a new 30-year spending plan,

allow the Transportation Authority to issue up to \$1.91 billion in bonds to <u>be repaid from sales tax</u> revenues pay for these projects, and increase the total amount of money the Transportation <u>Authority's speninding limit</u> Authority may spend each year for the next four years.

A "NO" Vote Means: If you vote "no," you do not want to make these changes.