



Proposition G

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It shall be the policy of the people of the City and County of San Francisco that:

The new Transbay Transit Center, under construction at First and Mission Streets, be the Northern California terminus for California High Speed Rail.

We call on the California High Speed Rail Authority to abandon consideration of an alternate site for High Speed Rail at Main and Beale Streets and focus on bringing High Speed Rail to the Transbay Transit Center. A train station at Main and Beale would result in unnecessary duplication and delay and cause undue disruption to the residents of San Francisco, especially in the South of Market neighborhood, where 1800 existing and planned units of housing would be lost.

Planning for a new Transbay Terminal with an extension of Caltrain to downtown San Francisco began more than 2 decades ago. A full public process to receive community input and develop a locally preferred site for the new Transbay Terminal resulted in the selection of First and Mission Streets. During this process and after much study, the Main and Beale Streets site was rejected as infeasible and technically inferior to the Transbay Terminal site.

San Francisco residents voted in favor of Proposition H in November 1999 to bring rail to downtown San Francisco and for Proposition K in November 2003 to provide funding for the Transbay Project. Both measures specified that the Transbay Terminal be built on its current site at First and Mission. Considerable time and resources have been put into the First and Mission site, which will bring together rail, Muni, BART, AC Transit and other public transit options in a convenient downtown location for San Francisco and regional travelers. In addition, the voters of California approved Proposition 1A in 2008 to provide funding for High Speed Rail with the specific condition that the northern terminus be located at the Transbay Terminal in San Francisco.

The Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) was created in 2001 to design, build, and operate the new Transbay Transit Center. Since that time, the TJPA has cleared environmental review, selected the design and development team, completed initial project design, secured over \$2 billion to fully fund the first phase of the project, and completed construction of the temporary terminal. The TJPA Board and its capable staff are on schedule to complete the new Transbay Transit Center building by 2015 and the downtown extension by 2018. The Transbay Transit Center is designed to accommodate California High Speed Rail.

Because of the overwhelming support for the Transbay Transit Center at First and Mission Streets, the people of the City and County of San Francisco support this location as the Northern California terminus for High Speed Rail between downtown San Francisco and downtown Los Angeles, and declare as a matter of policy to call on the California High Speed Rail Authority to abandon consideration of an alternate terminus of High Speed Rail at Main and Beale Streets.