

**Ballot Simplification Committee - DRAFT for Consideration on Friday, July 30, 2010**  
**Vehicle Registration Fee** *(working title only, subject to change)*

**The Way It Is Now:** In 2009, the State adopted a law authorizing local congestion management agencies to propose to voters an additional annual fee of up to \$10 on vehicles registered in their counties to pay for transportation-related projects and programs.

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority (TA) is the congestion management agency for San Francisco.

**The Proposal:** Proposition \_\_ would amend the City's Business and Tax Regulations Code to add \$10 to the existing annual vehicle registration fee for vehicles registered in San Francisco. This increase would apply to vehicle registrations and renewals on and after May 2, 2011.

Under an Expenditure Plan approved by the TA Board, the TA would spend proceeds from the \$10 fee on projects and programs in the following categories:

- Street Repairs and Reconstruction (50% of fee revenue) – giving priority to streets on bicycle and transit networks and to projects that include elements such as: curb ramps; bicycle infrastructure; pedestrian improvements; and other measures to slow or reduce traffic.
- Pedestrian Safety (25% of fee revenue) – including: crosswalk improvements; sidewalk repair or upgrade; and pedestrian countdown signals and lighting.
- Transit Reliability and Mobility Improvements (25% of fee revenue) – including: transit stop improvements, consolidation, and relocation; transit signal priority; traffic signal upgrades; travel information improvements; parking management projects; and transportation demand management.

The TA would manage these projects and could use up to 5% of the fee revenue for administrative costs.

**A “YES” Vote Means:** If you vote "yes," you want to add \$10 to the annual vehicle registration fee for vehicles registered in San Francisco to fund transportation projects involving street repairs and reconstruction, pedestrian safety, and transit reliability and mobility improvements.

**A “NO” Vote Means:** If you vote “no,” you do not want to add \$10 to the annual vehicle registration fee for vehicles registered in San Francisco to fund transportation improvement projects.

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