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Councilmember Moreno Statement on MTS Fare Ordinance Changes

SAN DIEGO- Councilmember Vivian Moreno has issued the following statement regarding the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board of Director's approval today to adopt fare policy recommendations including free transfers for the bus and trolley:

"I support this Fare Ordinance Recommendation because it prevents us from raising fares at a time that our ridership is just 47% of our pre-pandemic level and makes changes to boost ridership," said MTS Board Member Moreno. "Growing our ridership is how MTS will recover from the pandemic. Free transfers will help us boost ridership by making our transit system more attractive to occasional or first-time riders."

Today, the MTS Board of Directors forwarded a recommendation to the San Diego Associations of Governments (SANDAG) to make changes to the Regional Comprehensive Fare Ordinance which include reducing youth one-way fares from \$2.50 to \$1.25 and allowing free transfers for one-way fares within two hours of the first boarding.

More information on the fare ordinance recommendations can be found [here](#).

Councilmember Vivian Moreno represents the Eighth Council District of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Barrio Logan, Egger Highlands, Grant Hill, Logan Heights, Memorial, Nestor, Ocean View Hills, Otay Mesa, San Ysidro, Shelltown, Sherman Heights, Stockton and the Tijuana River Valley.