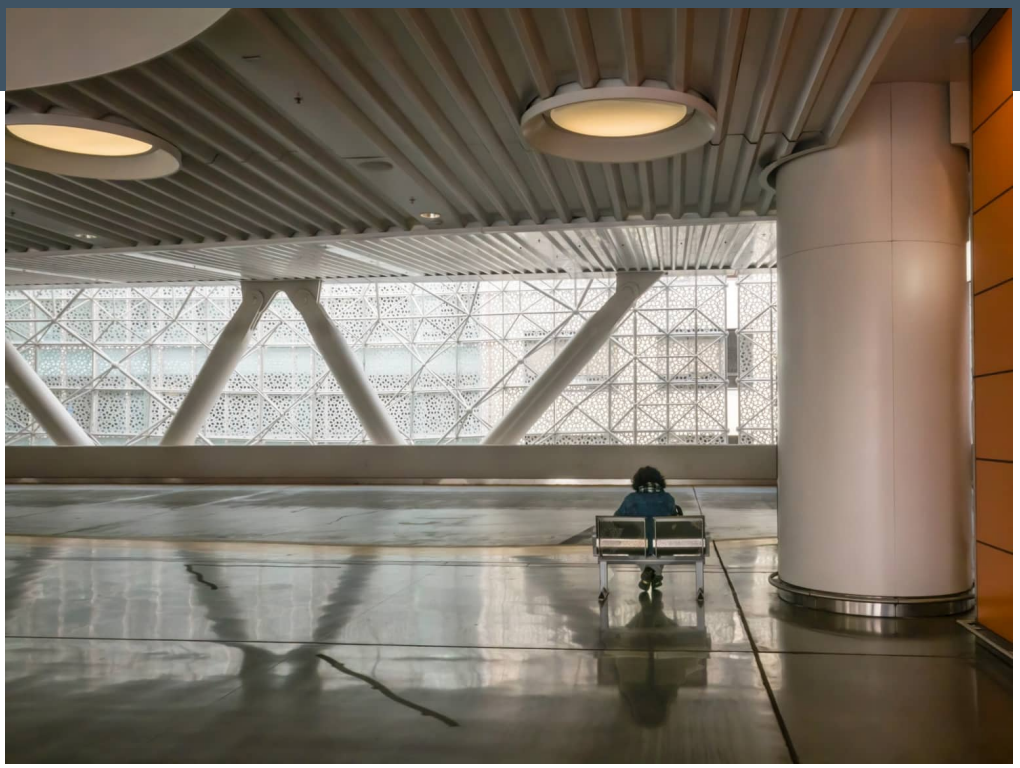
TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (TJPA)



Transforming Bay Area Transit

The Portal, also known as the Downtown Rail Extension (DTX), is a $7 billion infrastructure project reshaping the heart of San Francisco. Since 2021, Meyers Nave has strategized with the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) as lead Construction counsel to develop a long-term, bulletproof legal pathway that will deliver this megaproject by 2035.

Big Vision, Even Bigger Legal Challenges

The Portal, as the name suggests, will integrate 11 different transit systems (and California High Speed Rail) at the existing six-level Salesforce Transit Center with a two-mile underground tunnel. The decade-long procurement, contract, and risk strategy we are executing with TJPA for this project highlights the modern marvels of engineering Meyers Nave regularly delivers across California. We understand dense urban infrastructure construction better than any other law firm in the state.

Innovative Procurement Strategies and Contracts

Scaled-up traditional contract models don't work for a multi-billion-dollar rail project. We developed tailored procurement strategies, including progressive design-build and Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) models, to maintain flexibility while controlling cost and schedule.

Reducing Risk and Preventing Disputes

With multiple contractors handling separate elements (stations, rail systems, utilities) clear risk allocation is as critical as it is complex. We draft agreements that define responsibilities concretely, close loopholes decisively, and address potential disputes proactively to prevent costly delays.

Developing Effective Procurement Documents

To attract the right contractors, we draft key procurement documents, including RFPs and RFQs to set clear project and performance expectations.

Setting the Standard for Mega-Projects

Meyers Nave knows the best strategy starts with well-structured, "plain English" agreements that prevent disputes before they happen. But when conflicts arise, we know how to zealously protect our clients' interests in and out of court—and we have an *outstanding* record of success. The Portal is no exception. We're keeping the project on track and setting the legal standard for transit projects across California.

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