

**Advisory Committee Enhancement (ACE) Task Force
June 24, 2009**

Goals of ACE Process

Established by VTA Board, General Manager, Hay Group, and Bureaus of State Audits (BSA)

- Efficient use of resources
- Enhanced communication
- Consensus building
- Informed discussion

Potential Strategies for Improving Advisory Committee Process

- A. VTA Organizational & Financial Assessment (Hay Group Report) recommendation to combine PAC and TAC.
- B. Modify frequency of meetings (bi-monthly, quarterly, etc.) for some or all committees.
- C. Modify existing committee structure:
 1. PAC suggestion of combining policy-based committees and technical or operations-based committees into two separate committees: Policy (PAC and CAC) and Technical (BPAC, CTA and TAC).
 2. CAC suggestion that stakeholder groups common to CAC, BPAC and CTA be merged (for example, the Bicyclists position on CAC).
 3. PAC suggestion that CAC serve as the committee representing policy stakeholders.
 4. Have BPAC and CTA serve as technical expertise working groups of the TAC
- D. Hold joint meetings where appropriate or conduct workshops in lieu of scheduled meeting (similar to Board's July Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting and Board workshops on important items).
- E. Other potential strategies for consideration and discussion.