



Solutions that move you

Alum Rock/28th Street Community Working Group Meeting

Date of Meeting: April 17, 2019 (4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Followed immediately by a TOD Workshop which has been documented separately)

Attendees:

Members in Attendance: Davide Vieira, Terry Christensen, Bill Rankin, Geoff Hatchard, Eric Thacker, Ricardo Agredano, and Helen Masamori

Members not in Attendance: Kathy Ericksen, Carlos Diaz, Danny Garza, Justin Triano, Cobán López, Craig Chivatero, and Chris Patterson-Simmons

Other Speaking Attendees: Jill Gibson (VTA), Gretchen Baisa (VTA), Ron Golem (VTA) and Adam Dankberg (Kimley Horn)

Project Team in Attendance: Erica Roecks (VTA) and Eileen Goodwin (Apex Strategies)

Project Team not in Attendance: Brian Stanke (CSJ) and Charla Gomez (CSJ)

Location: Mexican Heritage Plaza, 1700 Alum Rock Avenue, San José, CA

Summary:

The Meeting agenda included:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Follow-up Items
- Status Updates
- 2016 Measure B Update
- Construction Education and Outreach Plan
- Real Estate Update
- Transit Oriented Communities Strategy Study Update
- Review Action Items and Next Meeting Dates

Next CWG Meeting:

CWG Meeting June 12, 2019 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Mexican Heritage Plaza, 1700 Alum Rock Avenue, San José

Key Issues/Comments/Questions:

Comment/Question	Response
Follow Up	
What is the status of the Mabury interchange? Is it mid-2020?	We will follow up with the City of San Jose.
Status Update	
No comments or questions noted	
2016 Measure B Update	
Are the 2016 Measure B funds coming in as expected?	Yes.
For local streets projects will they be funded only with Measure B? Are there other funds?	Measure B funds will be leveraged with local share of the gas tax that is returned to the cities. San José also has another local sales tax for road repairs.
Where has the funding for BART Phase II come from to fund work to date?	2000 Measure A has been funding the environmental and planning phases of BART Phase II.
Who makes the decisions for the bike projects in 2016 Measure B?	Ultimately the VTA Board. That said, there will be a screening process using criteria. Then the ranked projects will go through the Committee process prior to Board action.
Will the bike budget be zero during any cycle?	VTA budgets on a 2-year cycle. There hasn't been a zero allocation to bike funding yet, but it could be possible under the rules as long as the full allocation is ultimately spent in the 30-year program timeframe.
What is the total for the highway program?	\$750 million
Can the transit operations funding be used for the current VTA budget deficit?	No.
Construction Education and Outreach Plan	
Who do I contact to volunteer for the upcoming community meetings?	Gretchen Baisa, VTA Community Outreach
Will each of the community meetings cover all three station areas so people can go to whatever meeting is convenient?	Yes.
Is there anything else besides on-site translation being done to get people	Yes, Somos Mayfair is helping with the outreach. The materials and the flyer are translated and will be distributed. There was a mailing done to households

there who speak Spanish?	adjacent to the corridor.
Real Estate Update	
Why is the protection zone (purple outline) shaped as a trapezoid? Does it go curb to curb?	The edge conditions are being worked on, and in some places it is curb to curb. The box shape represents this.
There is a development planned for 24 th and Santa Clara that will sit right on the edge of the parcel.	Comment noted.
What will happen to the project around Roosevelt Park and Coyote Creek Bridge? Are there any impacts?	VTA staff are coordinating with City staff and their consultant on the Coyote Creek Bridge replacement project. There are no impacts to Roosevelt Park.
That 24 th Street and Santa Clara project is on land that was formerly a dry cleaner.	Comment noted. VTA is always interested in soil safety issues. VTA does soil testing.
Transit Oriented Communities Strategy Study	
Why aren't the bike lanes on San Antonio on the maps? The City plans to route bikes over to San Antonio.	This study is really focused on accessing the station and that is best accomplished by McKee and Santa Clara routes.
I think since the City is formally having people use 30 th to get to San Antonio on bikes they should be marked on the maps.	We can look into that. There will also be wayfinding to help guide bicyclists to the appropriate routes.
Five Wounds Trail is prominently mentioned. Thank you. Is VTA planning to help construct the trail and donate the right-of-way?	VTA plans to sell the City the right-of-way "at cost" which is considerably lower than it would be today. The area around the station will be a joint planning effort, and the costs of elements are being worked on in partnership with the City.
What about the portion of the Five Wounds Trail from Santa Clara to Julian?	That portion of the trail is in the station area so we don't know yet.
It doesn't seem right to have one tax payer funded effort fund another tax payer funded effort. Can't it just be donated?	Trading and negotiating are common practices between agencies.
It seems like VTA should	VTA is contributing by offering a significant discount to

have more skin in the game.	sell the land to the City at cost.
Are there any other pedestrian crossing on Route 101 contemplated?	We are having a report on the East San José Transportation Plan at the next CWG Meeting. They are looking at these types of issues. We will ask them to report on pedestrian crossings.
There is a traffic light shown on page 38 of the Profile document at San Fernando and 30 th . There is no light at that location.	Comment noted. We will look into that.

Follow-Up Items:

- Check on status of Mabury/101 interchange
- Research the relationship between the BART project, Roosevelt Park, and the Coyote Creek Bridge – included in summary above
- Mark maps with San Antonio bike lanes
- Add pedestrian crossings topic to the East San José Transportation Plan Update item for next CWG meeting
- Delete traffic light show on map on page 38 of Profile document
- CWG Members to review and comment on Station Profiles Draft Document (provided previously via email) by April 30, 2019

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