VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

Downtown/Diridon Community Working Group
November 13, 2018

Agenda

- Follow-up Items
- Phase II Update
- Construction Education and Outreach Plan
- Real Estate Planning Process
- Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
- Transit Oriented Development Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update
- Next Steps
Role of the CWG

- Be project liaisons
- Receive briefings on technical areas
- Receive project updates
- Build an understanding of the project
- Collaborate with VTA
- Contribute to the successful delivery of the project

Your Role as a CWG Member

- Attend CWG meetings
  - Bring your own binder (BYOB)
- Be honest
- Provide feedback
- Get informed
- Disseminate accurate information
- Act as conduits for information to community at large
Role of the CWG Team

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New CWG Dates

- February 5, 2019, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
- April 16, 2019, 4:00 – 5:30 PM
- June 11, 2019, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
- September 10, 2019, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
- November 12, 2019, 4:00 – 6:00 PM

VTA Board of Directors

- December 6, 2018 – 5:30 PM
- January 3, 2019 – 5:30 PM

Diridon Station Joint Policy Advisory Board

- December 2018 or January 2019
Follow-Up Items

- An update on Diridon Concept Plan is happening today.
- VTA staff will inform CWG members when station naming is on the agenda for the VTA Board.
- VTA staff will update CWG members of a new funding plan once more information is available.
- Summaries of TOD workshops are available on the TOD/Access Study website ([www.vta.org/bart/tod-access-study](http://www.vta.org/bart/tod-access-study)).
- Fact sheets are now translated and available on the website ([http://www.vta.org/bart/communications/document-library](http://www.vta.org/bart/communications/document-library)).
September CWG meeting notes included an update on the RM3 lawsuit.
E Taylor Street has been fixed on all maps.
September CWG meeting notes contained link to intake form (www.vta.org/phase2info).
September CWG meeting notes contained links to fact sheets.

Phase II Update

Jill Gibson, VTA
Mark Ramsey, VTA
Project Funding Updates

- **Measure B**
  - State Court of Appeals upheld VTA’s Measure B on 10/18/2018
  - Plaintiff-Appellant filed a rehearing Nov.1 for the California Supreme Court to review the ruling
- **Prop 6/TIRCP funding**
  - Did not pass last week
  - $750 million TIRCP funding committed
- **RM3**
  - Bay Area Toll Authority’s counsel filed a motion to dismiss Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association’s suit on 10/10/2018
  - Decision on the motion expected mid-November to mid-December
EPD is a FTA pilot program within the Capital Investment Grant (CIG) Program. To be considered for the pilot program, the project must

- Use public-private partnerships (P3)
- Be planned, operated, and maintained by an existing public transit provider
- Have a Federal share not exceeding 25% of its costs

Sponsors will have

- Recently and successfully completed a fixed guideway project
- Achieved budget, cost, and ridership outcomes
- Staff expertise and other resources to implement new project
- To demonstrate project’s capabilities in application

Why is EPD a Good Fit?

- Requires an expedited technical capacity review by FTA
- Opportunities for Public-Private Partnership (P3)
- Seeks increased innovation
- Opportunity to seek use of Value Capture
Next Steps for EPD Application Submittal

- FTA evaluates projects and selects pilot program participants
- VTA advances engineering and updates project cost and schedule estimates
- VTA continues identifying P3 opportunities, implementation strategies, policies, and funding and phasing plans
- VTA submits formal EPD application in spring 2020
On-Going Activities

- VTA Board will award the general engineering consultant (GEC) contract at the January 2019 board meeting
- Coordinating with San José and Santa Clara Planning
- Planning for 3rd Party Agreements
- Right-of-Way Engineering and Real Estate Planning
- Developing Design Parameters & Criteria in Coordination with BART in advance of the General Engineering Consultant (GEC)

Station Naming Guidelines

- Rider’s Perspective
  - Assist passenger in use of system
  - Location within the context of the transit system
- Simplicity
  - For quick recognition and retention
  - Brief and distinctive
  - Easy to pronounce and understand
- Station Area Context
  - Historical basis
  - Geographically significant
  - Withstand the test of time
VTA’s BART Phase II Station Naming Steps

- **Community Input**
  - Gathered at June and September 2018 CWG meetings
  - No formal recommendation

- **Agency Coordination**
  - Staff from Cities of San José and Santa Clara, and BART
  - Consistent with BART station naming guidelines

- **VTA Staff Recommendation**

- **VTA Board Approval**

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Station Naming Status

- **Santa Clara Station**
  - No proposed name change to be consistent with Caltrain station

- **Diridon Station**
  - No proposed name change to be consistent with Caltrain station
  - Future renaming opportunity through intermodal planning with agency partners

- **Downtown San José Station**
  - Will revisit renaming after the station design is refined in late 2019/early 2020

- **Alum Rock/28th Street Station**
  - Moving forward with proposed name change

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Downtown San José Station Names From Community Input

- 1st Street / SJSU
- Downtown / SJSU
- Downtown/1st Street
- Market Street / SJSU
- 1st Street
- 1st Street / Market Street
- Downtown San José
- Others?

Discussion of list of station names

Field Investigations in Major Project Areas
Field Investigations

13th Street Ventilation Facility Area
- Early December: Geotech investigations began
- Early January: Utility investigations begin

Diridon Station Area
- Late October: Utility investigations began
- Late October: Geotech investigations began

Downtown San José Station Area
- Late September: Geotech investigations began
- Mid-January: Utility investigations begin
Stockton Avenue Ventilation Facility Area
- Early December: Geotech investigations begin
- Mid-December: Utility investigations begin

Downtown San José Station Area
- Late September: Geotech investigations began
- Mid-January: Utility investigations begin

Diridon Station Area
- Late October: Utility investigations begin
- Late October: Geotech investigations begin

Questions?
Community Education & Outreach Plan

Gretchen Baisa, VTA

Field Work Outreach

- Door to door outreach
- Targeted stakeholder outreach
- Community meetings attended:
  - San José Downtown Association
  - Delmas Park Neighborhood Association
  - Shasta Hanchett Park Neighborhood Association
  - East Santa Clara Street Business Association
  - District 6 Leadership Group
  - District 3 Downtown Construction Open House
What format do you use to send information to your stakeholders?

- Email Newsletter – 62.7%
- Presentations at Meetings - 61.5%
- Facebook – 50%
- Twitter – 23.1%
- Print Newsletter – 15.4%
- LinkedIn – 7.7%
- NextDoor – 7.7%

How often do you communicate with the group that you represent at the CWG?

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly

Keeping Stakeholders Informed

How often are you willing, or do you currently, transmit information to your stakeholders about VTA's BART Phase II project?

- As Needed
- Monthly
- Biweekly

What area of the project do you feel is most relevant to your stakeholders?
Questions and Feedback

Real Estate Planning Process

Ron Golem, VTA
Real Estate Planning Process

- Acquisition Process and Schedule

- Current Work

- Key Elements

- Joint Development / Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)
Downtown San José Station

VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project: TOJD Sites
Downtown San Jose Station
Diridon Station

Key Elements

- Property Interests
  - Fee (ownership)
  - Permanent Easements
  - Temporary Construction Easements
- Tunnel Easements
- Schedule Driven
Joint Development: Transit-Oriented Development

- Construction Staging Areas: future sites for Joint Development (TOD)
- Start with adopted City plans
- Community engagement throughout
- Framework: VTA Board-Adopted Joint Development Policy
- Employment, mixed-use, destinations

Questions?

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San José Diridon Station Integrated Concept Plan

Dennis Kearney, VTA

Purpose of the Concept Plan is to establish:

- A spatial configuration that provides seamless connections between transportation modes.
- A framework for creating a harmonious relationship between the station and surroundings.
- An effective organizational structure to deliver the vision.
San José Diridon Station Integrated Concept Plan

Project Kickoff: September 2018

Phase I (10 months)
- Partner Agencies Ambitions & Requirements
- Technical Partner Workshops
- Develop Conceptual Scenarios
- Evaluation of Conceptual Scenarios
- Identify Single Preferred Option (SPO)
- SPO Refinement and Final Evaluation

Phase I Schedule
Proposed Engagement Activities

- Community Meetings
- Stakeholder Presentations
- Interviews with Community Leaders
- Outreach to Transit Riders
- Pop-up Booths at/near Diridon Station
- Online/Mobile Feedback Tools
- Advisory Group Meeting (SAAG)
- Policy Body Meetings

Next Steps

- Joint Policy Advisory Board – Dec 2018 or Jan 2019
- Narrow 3 Concept Scenarios to a Single Preferred Option – April 2019
- Public Engagement – Consulting the Community – Ongoing
- Project Update at February 2019 CWGs
San José Diridon Station Integrated Concept Plan

- Video of the SAAG meeting on October 18, 2018 - including a 30-minute background presentation on the Concept Plan beginning at 2:00
- Draft Outreach Strategy for the Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
- Diridon Station Area Civic Engagement Report (October 2018) — See the Desired Outcomes for Transportation, Design, Parking, and Environmental Sustainability
- SJSU Preliminary Community Assessment of the Diridon Station Area (October 2018)
- For questions, comments, or to request a Presentation to your organization contact Lori Severino at: lori.severino@sanjoseca.gov

Questions?
Transit Oriented Development Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update

Adriano Rothschild, VTA

TOD Strategy and Access Planning Studies

- The TOD/Access Study includes an Access Planning Component
- These are strategies to facilitate access between future TOD and VTA’s BART Stations
  - Identify needs for current and future access needs
  - Allow for funding strategy to include future access needs
  - Reserve corridors as priority access routes to stations

- The City of San José has two concurrent access and mobility planning efforts that compliment VTA’s TOD/Access Study
Access Planning Update: Downtown San José Station

Adam Dankberg, P.E., Kimley-Horn
Access Study Objectives

- Identify transportation improvements, guidelines, and policies to support and encourage TOD in and around the station areas.
- Provide for station access that promotes ridership, supports a cohesive transportation network, and integrates with surrounding neighborhoods.

Access Study Process

- Understanding Existing & Planned Conditions
- Identifying On-Site Station Facility Needs
- Identifying Opportunities and Constraints for Station Access
- Transportation Circulation Improvements to support TOD
- Station Access Concept Development*

*To Be Completed in Subsequent Efforts

We are here
Review of Key Guiding Policies/Documents

- City of San Jose’s BART Station Access Planning Final Report
- BART Station Access Policy
- BART Multimodal Access Design Guidelines
- Vision Zero San Jose
- San Jose Complete Streets Guidelines
- Envision 2040 General Plan
- VTA Complete Streets Policy
- VTA Countywide Bike Plan
- VTA Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan
- Valley Transportation Plan 2040
- Park Paseo
- Better Bikeways

Station Profile

- Report that summarizes the transportation characteristics of each station area
- Summarize existing and planned:
  - Pedestrian network
  - Bicycle network
  - Auto network
  - Transit network
  - Curb management
- Identification of key access considerations
  - Interaction of modes
  - Gaps in connectivity
  - Primary access pathways
Key Considerations for Downtown San Jose Station Area

- Curb management practices
- Connections between station entrances and nearby LRT/BRT/Bus stations
- Enhanced wayfinding

Measures to Address Gaps in Transportation Network

12 access routes
Measures to Address Gaps in Transportation Network - North

Key Map

LEGEND

- Downtown San José Station Access Route
- 0.5 mile walkshed (10 min walk)
- 1.5 mile bikeshed (10 min bike ride)
- VTA’s BART Phase II Extension Alignment
  - Existing VTA BRT Stops
  - Existing VTA LRT Stops
  - Existing Ford GoBike Stations

Pedestrian recommendation
Bicycle recommendation
Wayfinding recommendation

Solutions that move you

Measures to Address Gaps in Transportation Network - Southwest

Key Map

LEGEND

- Downtown San José Station Access Route
- 0.5 mile walkshed (10 min walk)
- 1.5 mile bikeshed (10 min bike ride)
- VTA’s BART Phase II Extension Alignment
  - Existing VTA BRT Stops
  - Existing VTA LRT Stops
  - Existing Ford GoBike Stations

Pedestrian recommendation
Bicycle recommendation
Wayfinding recommendation

Solutions that move you
Measures to Address Gaps in Transportation Network - East

Next Steps

- Update station profiles to include on-site facility needs and access pathway opportunities and constraints
- Refine concepts for recommended network improvements
- Expand upon recommendations to integrate TOD opportunity sites
- Return to April CWG to present final project recommendations
Questions?

Next Steps

Eileen Goodwin, Facilitator
Next Steps

• Next CWG meeting:
  Tuesday, February 5, 2019, 4:00-6:00 PM
  San Jose City Hall Wing 118/119 200 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113
    o Government Affairs Update
    o Phase II Update
    o Transit Oriented Development Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update
    o Construction Education & Outreach Plan
    o Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
    o VTA’s Process for Station Naming
    o Caltrain Electrification Update
• Action Items
• Parking Lot Items