

VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

Santa Clara Community Working Group

February 13, 2020



Agenda

- Follow-up items
- CWG Member Report Back
- Government Affairs
- Phase II Update & Related Planning Efforts
- Construction Education & Outreach Plan
- Downtown Precise Plan
- City of San José Airport Connector
- 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

CWG Team Member	Role
Eileen Goodwin	Facilitator
Gretchen Baisa	Primary Outreach Contact
Jill Gibson	Phase II Planning & Outreach Manager
Kate Christopherson	CWG Coordinator



Upcoming Meetings

- CWG Dates
 - May 14, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
 - September 17, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
 - November 19, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
- VTA Board of Directors
(<https://www.vta.org/about/board-and-committees>)
 - March 5, 2020, 5:30 PM
 - April 2, 2020, 5:30 PM
 - May 7, 2020, 5:30 PM



Follow-Up Items



Follow-Up Items

- There are 10 benches on the Milpitas BART platform and 8 benches on the Berryessa/North San José BART platform.
- VTA is coordinating with City of San José's District 6 to identify a representative from the Garden Alameda neighborhood.
- VTA included the February 11th Industry Forum details in the November meeting summary. Details for VTA's Industry Forum on February 11, 2020 can be found using the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vtas-bart-phase-ii-industry-forum-tickets-76347775251>



Follow-Up Items

- VTA is presenting the Santa Clara TOC Playbook to City Council on March 17th.
- VTA will update CWG members with funding plan updates when more information is available.
- CWG will discuss station naming at a future meeting.



CWG Member Report Back



Government Affairs

Aaron Quigley, VTA



Government Affairs

Federal Transit Administration Capital Investment Grants Account Under 49 U.S.C. §5309

(Millions of dollars.)

	Total Project Cost	Federal CIG Share	Fed. Share Pct.	Federal Approps. Thru FY20	Post-FY20 Approps. Needed	FY 2021 Budget Request
<u>§5309(d) New Start Projects With Signed FFGAs</u>						
CA Los Angeles Westside Section 1	\$2,822.0	\$1,250.0	44%	\$665.0	\$585.0	\$100.0
CA Los Angeles Westside Section 2	\$2,499.2	\$1,187.0	47%	\$500.0	\$687.0	\$100.0
CA San Diego Mid-Coast Corridor	\$2,171.2	\$1,043.4	48%	\$530.0	\$513.4	\$100.0
MA Cambridge-Bedford Green Line	\$2,297.6	\$996.1	43%	\$850.0	\$146.1	\$100.0
MD National Capital Area Purple Line	\$2,407.0	\$900.0	37%	\$688.0	\$212.0	\$120.0
TX Fort Worth TEX Rail	\$1,034.4	\$499.4	48%	\$474.4	\$25.0	\$25.0
WA Seattle Federal Way Extension	\$3,160.7	\$790.0	25%	\$200.0	\$590.0	\$100.0
WA Seattle Lynnwood Link Extension	\$3,260.4	\$1,172.7	36%	\$300.0	\$872.7	\$100.0
Total, New Starts With Signed FFGAs	\$19,652.6	\$7,838.6	40%	\$4,677.3	\$3,041.2	\$745.0
<u>§5309(e) Core Capacity Projects with Signed Core Capacity FFGAs</u>						
CA Caltrain Peninsula Electrification	\$1,930.7	\$647.0	34%	\$473.0	\$174.0	\$100.0
IL Chicago Red/Purple Moderniz., Phase 1	\$2,066.7	\$956.6	46%	\$591.1	\$565.5	\$100.0
Total, Core Capacity w/ Signed FFGAs	\$3,997.4	\$1,603.6	40%	\$1,164.1	\$639.5	\$200.0
FAST Act §3005(b) Delivery Pilot Program						\$150.0
Other Projects Eligible Under §5309 That Become Ready During FY21						\$774.8
§5337(f)(1)(C) Oversight Set-Aside						\$18.9
FY 2020 Appropriation Request						\$1,888.7



Questions?



Phase II Update & Related Planning Efforts

Jill Gibson, VTA



Phase I Update

- VTA is currently resolving items that were identified during BART's acceptance testing
- BART will then reinitiate the Phase 3 acceptance testing, then commence pre-revenue operations
- Once discrepancies are resolved and BART reinitiates the Phase 3 acceptance testing, the VTA/BART team will be able to provide a schedule forecast for when passenger service is scheduled to begin

Board Packet:

<http://santaclaravta.iqm2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=1&ID=2956&inline=True>



Phase II Update – General Updates

VTA's BART Silicon Valley Program Delivery Chief:

Takis Salpeas

Experience includes: MIA Mover, BART Airport Connector, Dulles Silver Line, Utah Transit Authority Light Rail, Los Angeles Expo and Foothill Connector, plus Dubai, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and Doha Metros



Phase II Update – General Updates

- 10% Design Received
 - VTA has received the 10% design and is reviewing and evaluating the project scope, schedule, and budget.
- Federal Transit Administration's Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program
 - VTA and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) continue coordinating the federal funding process.
 - Would fund a maximum 25 percent of the total Phase II project cost.
 - Notice of approval or disapproval of a grant request is received within 120 days.



**Federal Transit
Administration**

Construction Outreach Management Program



Construction Outreach Management Program



Construction Education and Outreach Plan (CEOP)

CEOP: communication during construction between VTA, various municipalities, and the public



Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP)

CTMP: coordinate circulation and access within and around the construction areas for all modes



Emergency Services Coordination Plan (ESCP)

ESCP: minimize impact to local emergency service routes and response times due to construction activities



... to be incorporated into all plans and specifications of all contracts through which Phase II will be implemented.

Construction Transportation Management Plan

Guiding document to coordinate location-specific circulation and access within and around construction areas. Includes:

- Alternative access routes, detours, and supporting signage
- Minimum requirements for pedestrians and cyclists
- Coordination with VTA Operations and transit providers on transit impacts
- Early and advanced signage for transit riders
- Parking impact maps and schedules
- Business signage
- Emergency access requirements



Construction Transportation Management Plan

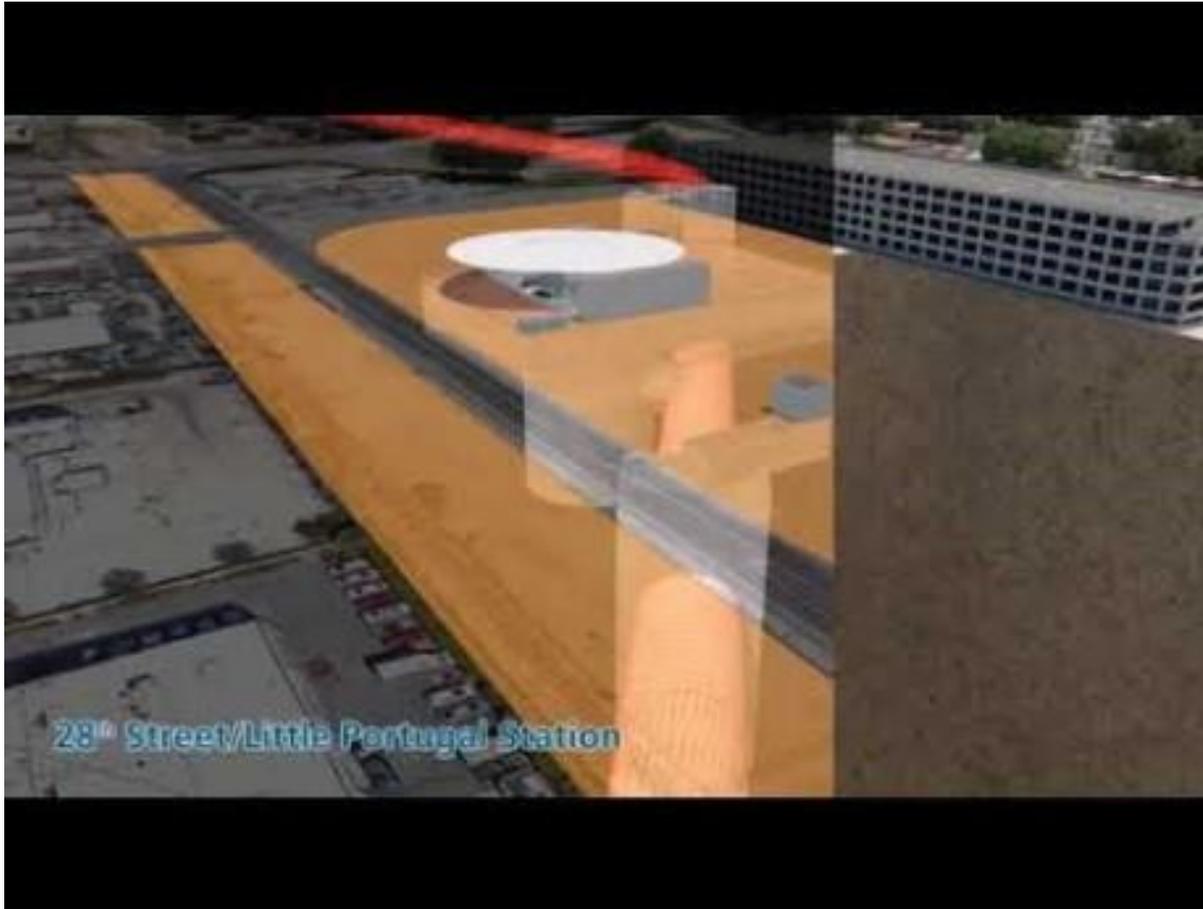
- Surveys, interviews, and observations
- Engage a range of Stakeholders
 - e.g., Schools, churches, businesses, event centers, etc
- Developing in partnership with the cities
- Guides the specific Traffic Control Plans (TCP)



Industry Forum – February 11th , 2020



Industry Forum - Video



Questions?



Transit Oriented Communities

- San José City Council **accepted** and **endorsed** on December 10, 2019:
 - Downtown San José Playbook
 - 28th Street / Little Portugal Playbook
- VTA will present the Playbook to the Santa Clara City Council.
- Playbooks have been updated based on feedback received.



Implementing TOCs

- VTA applied for **FTA's Transit-Oriented Development grant** in November 2019.
- VTA and the City of Santa Clara are jointly pursuing grant funding to advance station area planning.



Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan Updates

- Presented the staff-recommended Concept Layout to the Joint Policy Advisory Board on November 15, 2019
- Held Diridon Station virtual town hall on November 22, 2019
- Explored rail alignments at San José City Council Study Session on January 28th, 2020
- Partner Agency Boards and Council to consider acceptance of the Concept Layout in February and March

Questions?



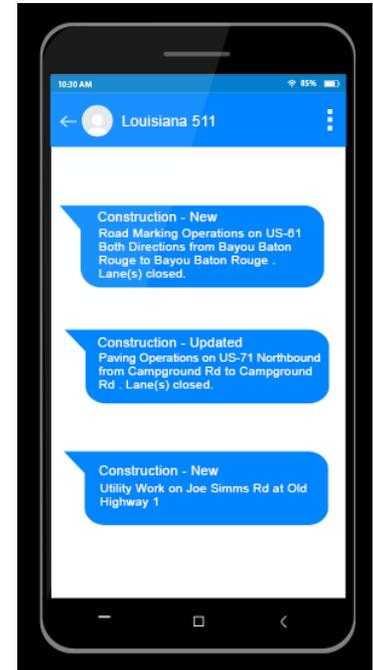
Construction Education & Outreach Plan

Gretchen Baisa, VTA



General Outreach Update

- Developing New Communication Tools for Construction:
 - SMS Construction Alert Notifications
 - Webform Capability on Project Website (i.e., report any construction issues)
 - GIS Based Feedback Capabilities
- Developing Part B (Pre-construction) of the CEOP



Example of SMS Construction Alerts

Public Outreach for Next Steps in EPD Process

The goal: Share new information with public on project details and construction sequencing

- Timing: Late Spring, based on Federal Funding Milestone
- VTA hosted meetings to be held along the alignment
 - **CWG Action:** Spread the word and volunteer!
- VTA staff to join existing community, organization and neighborhood meetings
 - **CWG Action:** Invite us to present!
- Event Tabling
- Webinar and Video Presentations



Small Business Program

Small Business Task Force

- First Meeting held 11/20/2019
- Helped develop business survey

Next Steps:

- Assist in survey distribution
- Review Case Studies
- Inform construction contracts

Next meeting to be held late March



15. Approximately how many customers a day visit your business?

Fewer than 50

50-99

100-249

250 or more

16. What are your busiest days and times for servicing customers? (Check all that apply)

Weekday Morning (before 12 Noon)

Weekday Afternoon (between 12 Noon and 5 p.m.)

Weekday Evening (after 5 p.m.)

Weekend Morning (before 12 Noon)

Weekend Afternoon (between 12 Noon and 5 p.m.)

Weekend Evening (after 5 p.m.)

22. If construction were to impact your business, what kinds of marketing assistance do you think will help promote your business? (Check all that apply)

Signage to guide customers or clients to your business during construction

Social media training

Support in creating or improving a website

Professional photos of your products and/or services

Support in developing a marketing plan

Business district promotions (for example: advertising and marketing for the business district/area as a whole)

Sponsoring events to attract customers/clients to the business district

Not sure / Prefer not to say

Other (please specify)

23. Do you host regular or occasional special events? Examples include promoted sales and cultural holidays.

Introducing Construction Contract Specifications

- Contracts with engineering and construction firms usually include requirements for impacts such as:
 - *Site set-up and management, access, notifications, and mitigations*
- These requirements can be deliberately designed to help reduce construction impacts on neighbors
- Small Business Task Force to inform construction contract specifications



Example: Enhanced Construction Signs

We can specify construction contractors to place signs like these – which help you know what we require of them!

	RGB values 1, 80, 110	RGB values 1, 80, 110	RGB values 0, 149, 169	
xxpt;Tofino; Medium	CITY OF WAUKESHA NEW WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM		Great Water Alliance logo	
xxpt;Tofino; Bold; caps	CONSTRUCTION RULES			
xxpt;Tofino; Bold; caps	JOB ADDRESS FPO		RGB values 0, 149, 169	
xxpt;Tofino; Bold; caps	JOB DESCRIPTION FPO			
xxpt;Tofino; Bold	• Noise ordinance will be strictly enforced		RGB values 1, 80, 110	
	• No radios or music shall be audible beyond the construction site property line.		xxpt;Tofino; Medium	
xxpt;Tofino; Bold	• Construction Hours		RGB values 1, 80, 110	
	• CONSTRUCTION HOURS		xxpt;Tofino; Medium	
xxpt;Tofino; Bold	• Parking		RGB values 1, 80, 110	
	• No Blocking of Adjacent Driveways, No Blocking of Traffic Flow		xxpt;Tofino; Medium	
xxpt;Tofino; Bold	• Contact Phone Numbers - 24 hours / 7 days a week		RGB values 1, 80, 110	
	• Builder: BUILDER NAME		xxpt;Tofino; Bold	
	• Telephone #: TELEPHONE NUMBER			
xxpt;Tofino; Bold; caps	IF NO RESPONSE BY BUILDER CALL			RGB values 1, 80, 110
	262.409.4444 info@greatwateralliance.com greatwateralliance.com			RGB values 0, 149, 169
xxpt;Tofino; Bold; caps	THIS NOTICE IS REQUIRED TO BE POSTED ON THIS JOB SITE AT ALL TIMES			RGB values 0, 149, 169



Example: Enhanced Fencing – Business Continuity and Wayfinding



Questions?





**VTA's BART Phase II
Santa Clara
Community Working
Group (CWG)
Meeting**

February 13, 2020



Downtown Precise Plan

Background

2010-2035 General Plan:

- Identifies Downtown as Focus Area for new residential and commercial

City Council Actions:

- Preparation of Downtown Precise Plan included in 2018-19 FY budget
- Approval of Option Agreement to purchase roadway easements for grid street system – July 2018
- Downtown Community Task Force (DCTF) established December 2018



Legend

Land Uses Within the Focus Area

- High Density Residential
- Community Mixed Use
- Downtown Core

Urban Design Features

- Focus Area Boundary
- Potential Street
- Pedestrian Connection

- Pedestrian Orientation/Active Street Frontage
- Enhanced Intersection
- Transition Zone

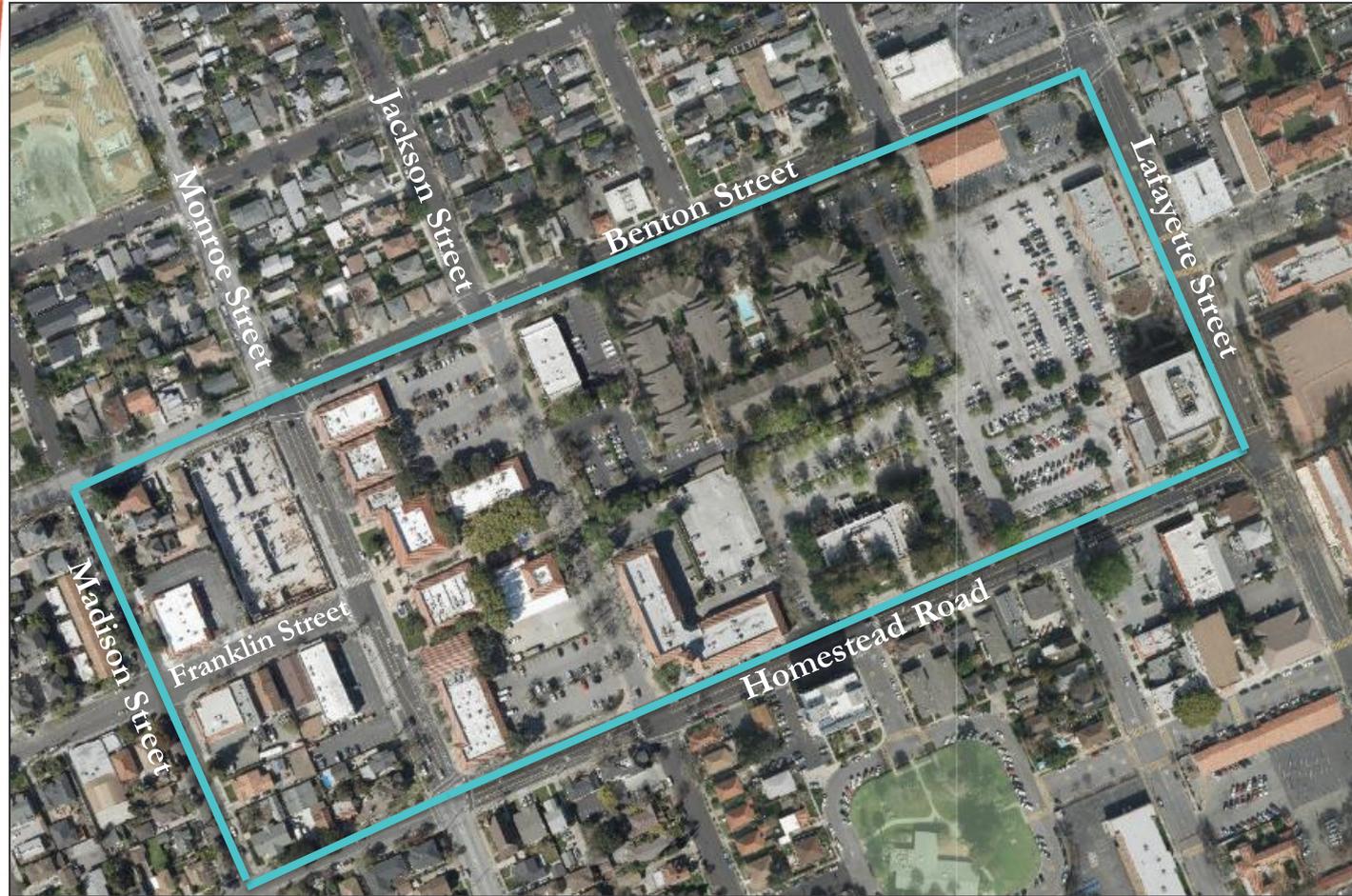
- Signature Streetscape
- Downtown / BART Transit Loop

Downtown Precise Plan

Plan Boundary

Map Legend

 Boundary



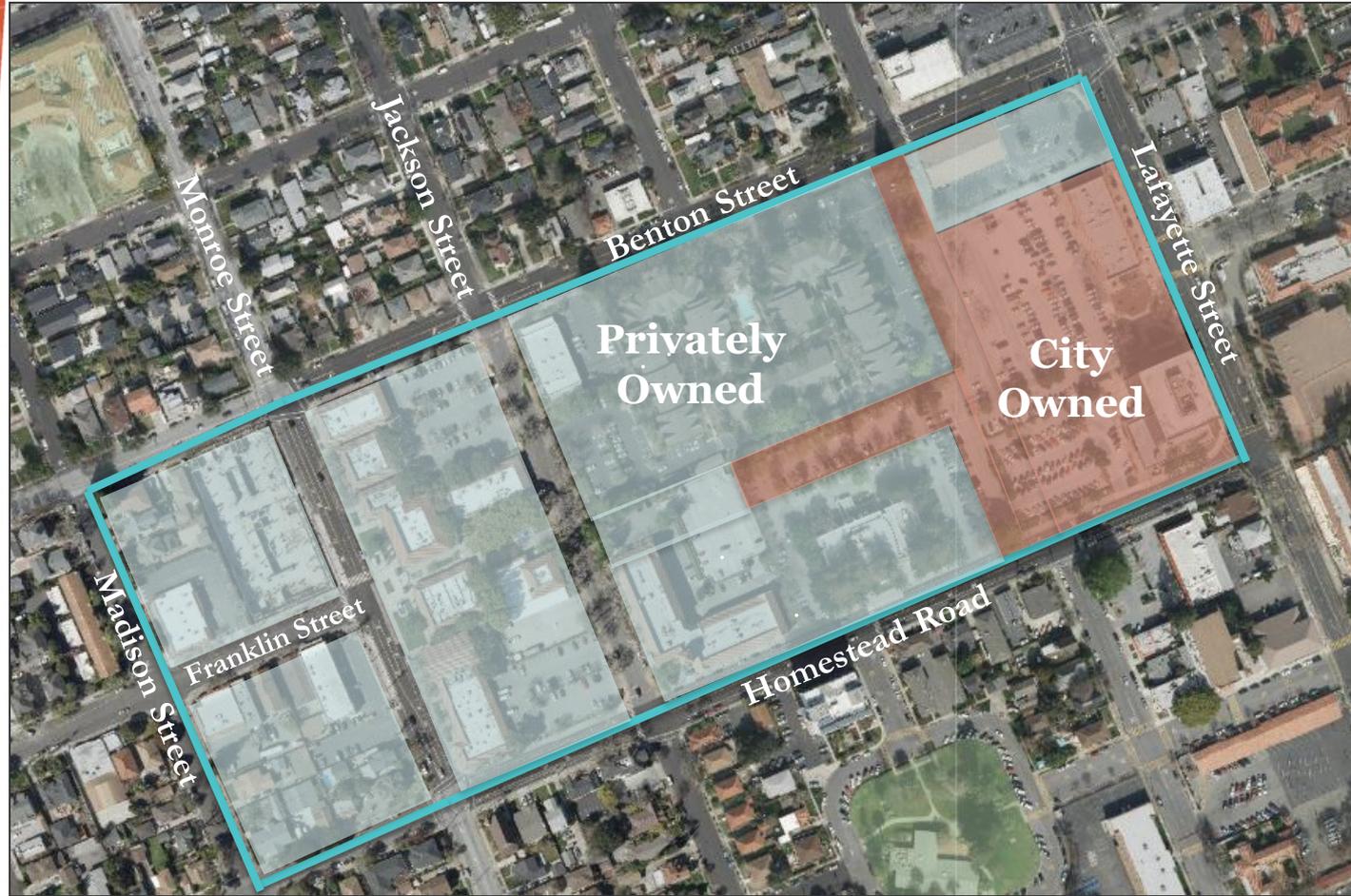
**City of
Santa Clara**
The Center of What's Possible

Downtown Precise Plan

Ownership Map

Map Legend

-  Boundary
-  Privately Owned
-  City Owned





Downtown Precise Plan

Background

Previous Downtown revitalization efforts:

- 2007: Downtown Plan endorsed by City Council.
- 2010: Downtown Revitalization Plan Committee established.
- 2015 – 2017: Downtown/Super Block Project vision and objectives.
- 2018: Preparation of a Downtown Precise Plan in the 2018-2019 FY budget.



Santa Clara Downtown Revitalization Committee Meeting, April 20, 2017



Downtown Precise Plan

2015 and 2017 Downtown Outreach Summary

Key Ideas

2015

2017

Parking	Parking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permit parking New share parking with the SCU Free parking Underground parking Hide parking from street experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking ratio requirements Unbundle District parking Parking lifts Cabs and ride-share Parking garage on Lafayette and Homestead Underground parking near edges of DT
Transportation/Circulation	Transportation/Circulation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicular traffic should stay on Monroe, Benton, Benton, Lafayette Tie together with transit and connect Caltrain station to DT Franklin Street should be pedestrian area Walkable Pedestrian bridge across ECR to Franklin Autonomous vehicles before trolley 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect DT with SCU Connect to transits Tie Mission library to the new center Re-establish Franklin Street in some way Create a gateway at each end of Franklin St Incorporate a pedestrian-oriented spine along Franklin St Wider sidewalk for cafes and pedestrian Connect to BART/Caltrain station via streetcar-inspired shuttle

2015

2017

Design	Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate scale for development in DT Buildings should be 2-4 stories, with taller buildings on ECR Uniform streetscape Public Art Historic design style (mission, adobe, Spanish) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect historical heritage and character Promote a balance scale of development density/height Use art as attractive features One-story along Franklin St - to reflect history Vary architectural expression and mix of eras Max 3-5 stories Bring back original architectural style of DT No uniform and redundant design
Commercial	Commercial
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial area needs diverse tenants and retail strategy Smaller businesses in DT Include a community center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include diverse uses that will activate DT Promote artist and arts community as a theme Start Franklin St and Main St with commercial uses facing Franklin St
Open Spaces	Open Spaces
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> patio, green space and courtyards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gathering spots for family Central public space for programmed activities



Downtown Precise Plan

2017 Downtown Vision Elements

Top 5 Priorities from DCTF's Responses

1. Encourage the mix of uses in Downtown. (i.e. housing, office, retail, entertainment, etc.)
2. Re-establish the street grid to improve walkability and connectivity.
3. Incorporate a shuttle system to connect Downtown to other local destinations and BART/Caltrain Station
4. Encourage different housing types to sustain the businesses and provide affordability for future residents.
5. Provide the sense of a local destination for Downtown.



Downtown Precise Plan

Consultant Scope of Work

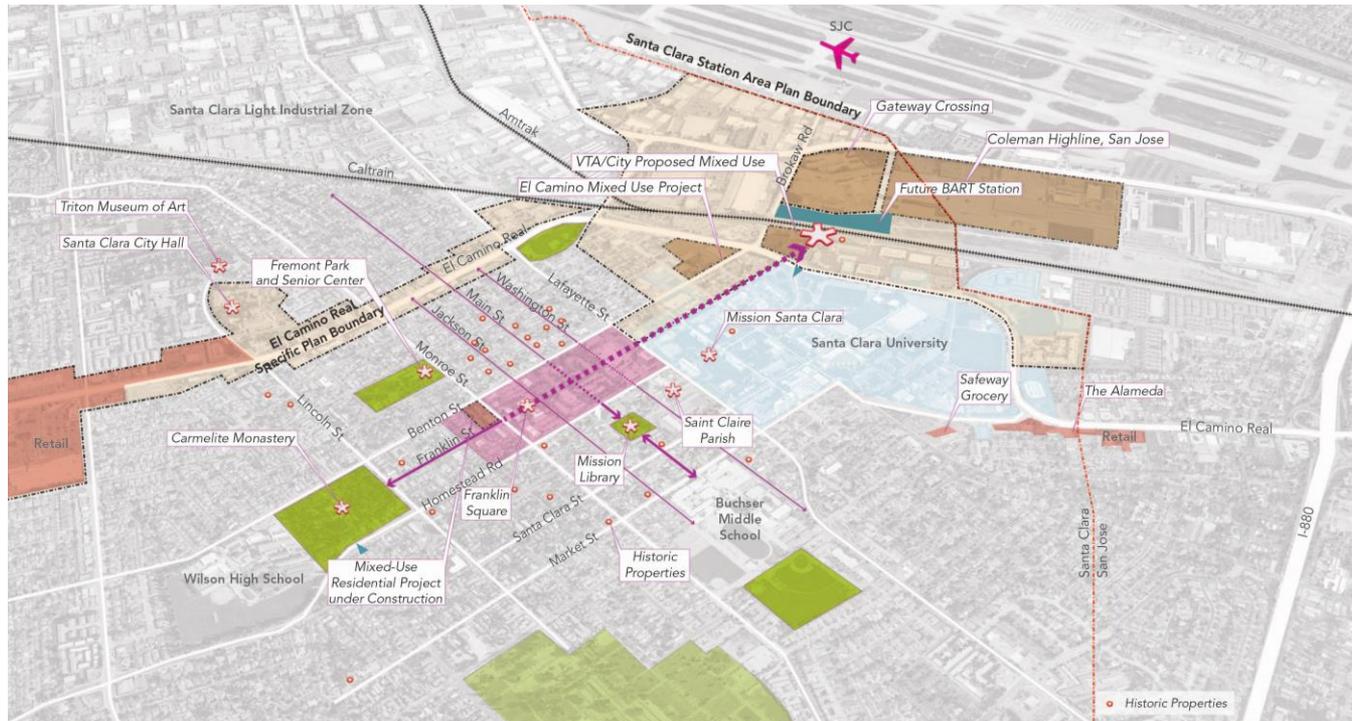
- ✓ Project Initiation
- ✓ Issue Identification and Vision
- Public Outreach
- Financial Analysis
- Development Scenarios
- Draft Precise Plan Chapters
- Implementation
- CEQA Clearance
- Public Hearings





Downtown Precise Plan

Realize the Vision while Balancing Community Needs with Development Realities.





Downtown Precise Plan

Public Outreach to Date

- 5 Downtown Task Force (DCTF) Meetings
- 1st Community Workshop – Retail 101
- 1st Online Survey
- 1st Meeting in a Box

CONCEPT 1: KEEP MORE



WORKING CONCEPTS

CONCEPT 2: CHANGE MORE



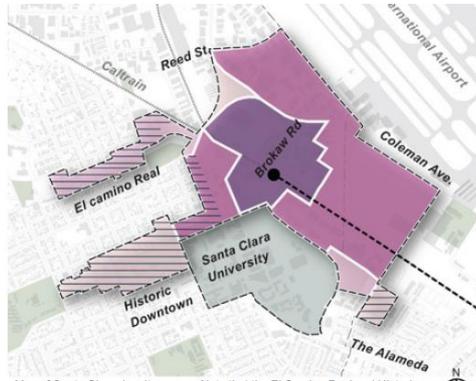
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Downtown Precise Plan

VTA Playbook

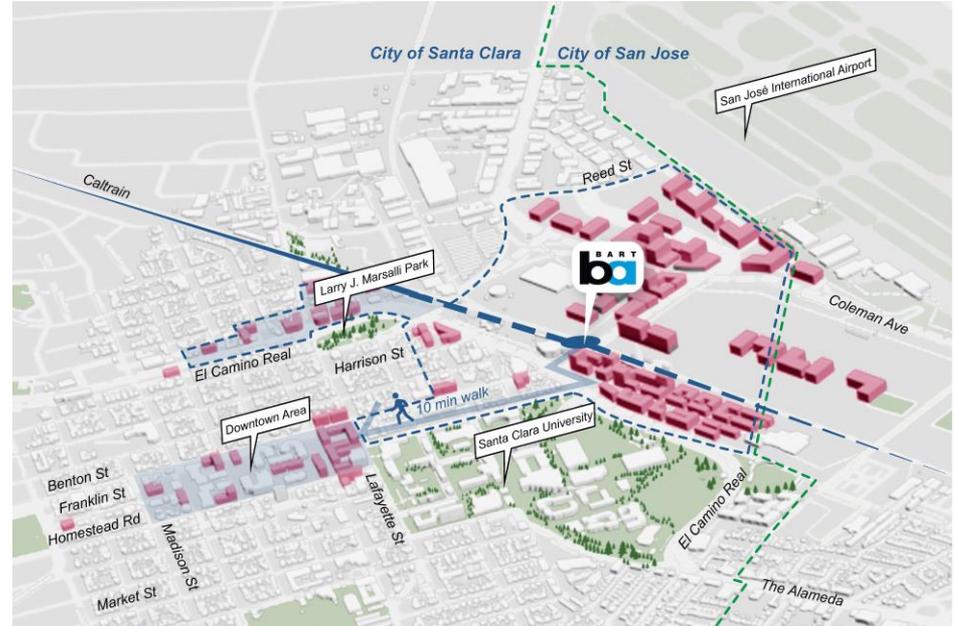


ZONE 4



METRICS

Use Type	Residential
Height*	Min 60' / Max 85'
Stories	5 - 8
Ground floor	Wrapped Parking or active use



 Priority Development Areas (PDAs) as identified by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

Potential Development

Areas with concurrent Precise Plans

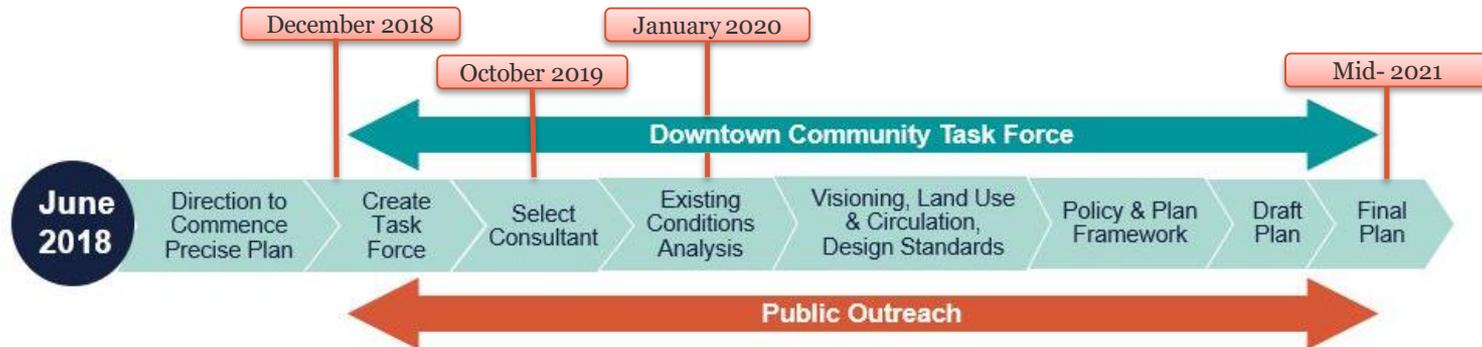


Downtown Precise Plan

Next Steps

- Determine Preferred Land Use Scenario, Development Concepts and Phasing Plan
- Next DCTF Meeting – March 2020
- Next Community Engagement Event – April 2020

Planning Process Timeline



Questions?

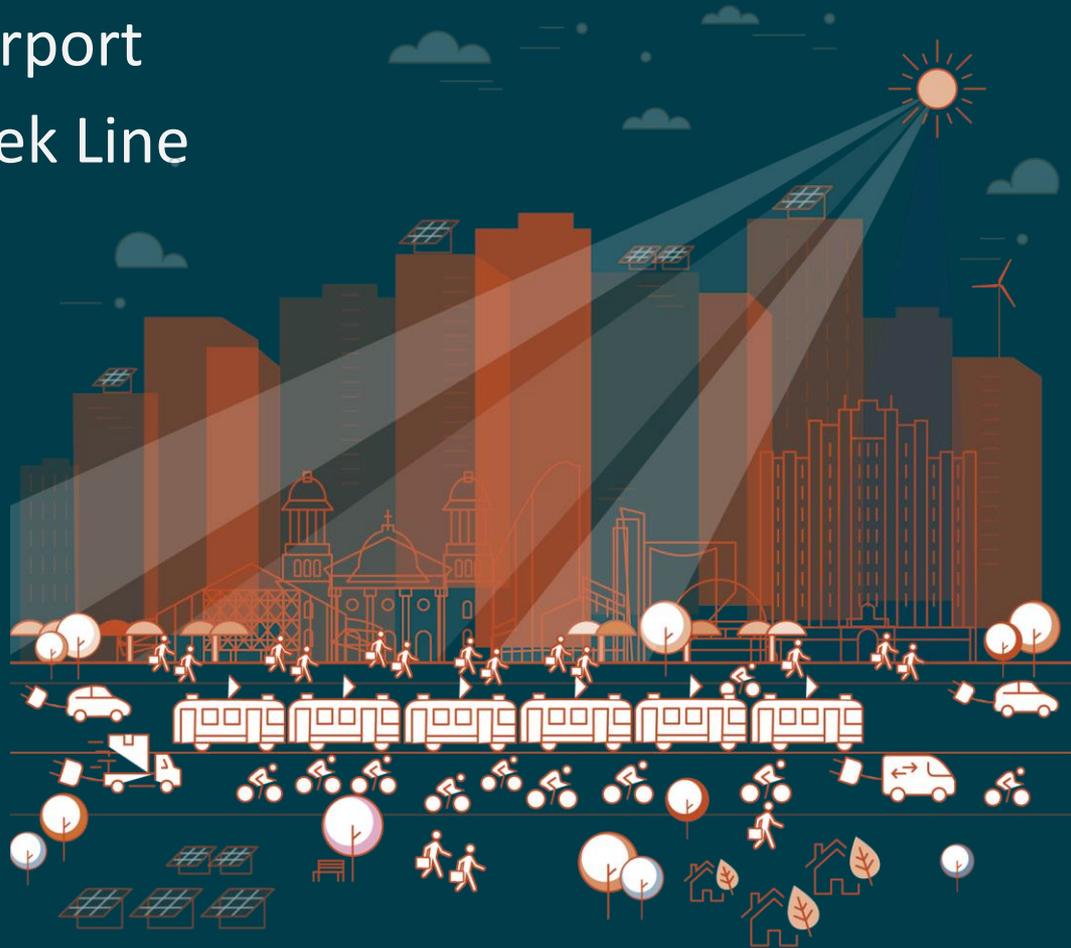


New Transit Options RFI: Airport Connector and Stevens Creek Line

February 2020

CWG

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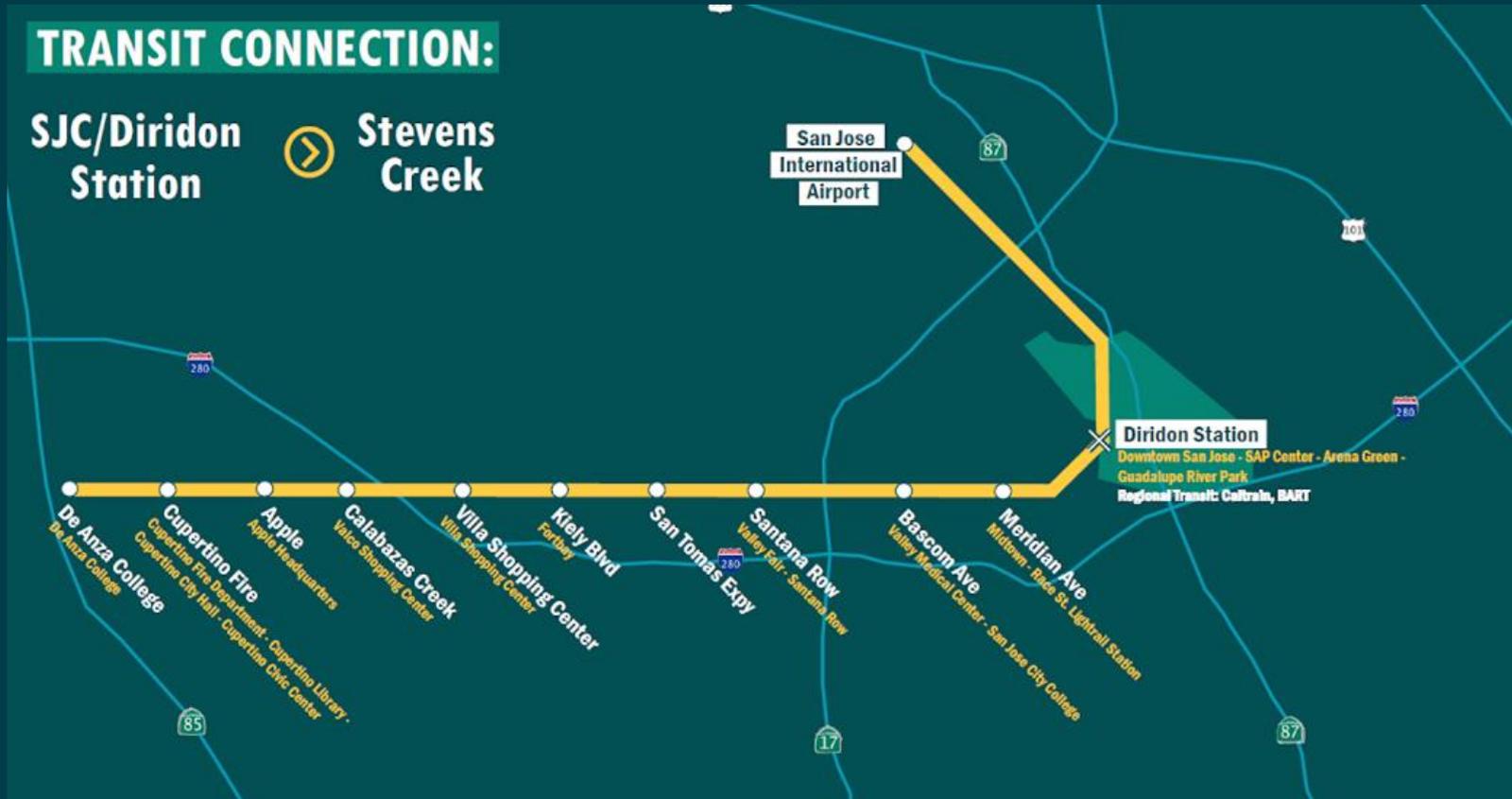
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TRANSIT CONNECTION:

SJC/Diridon
Station



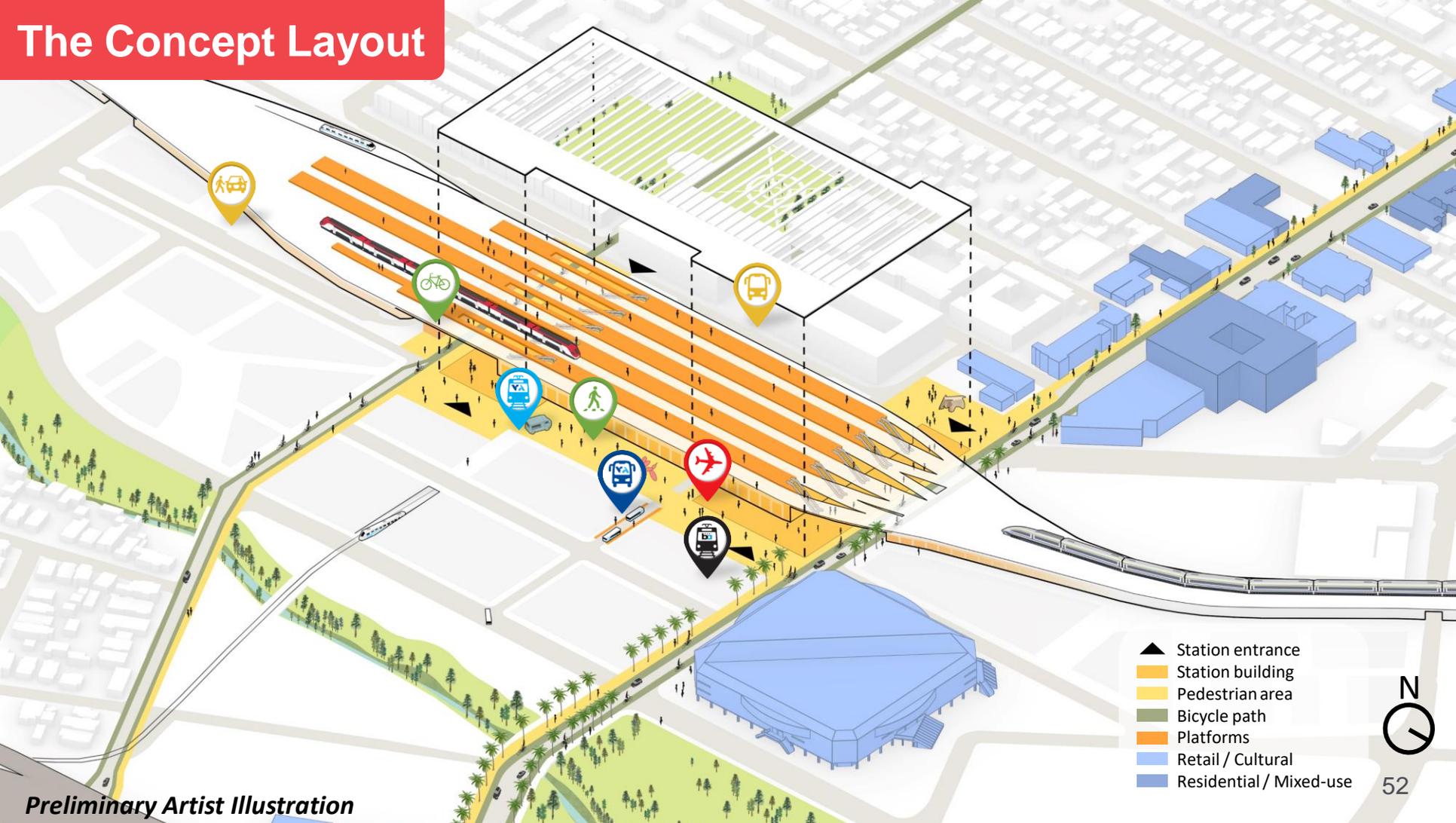
Stevens
Creek



What we want to learn

1. Are there new technologies, project delivery, or operating models that can provide grade-separated, high-capacity, high-speed transit?
2. Do these systems have lower construction, operations, and/or maintenance costs than traditional systems?
3. Can these systems be deployed faster than traditional projects?
4. Do these systems have viable financial outlooks?
5. How will these systems be constructed and deliver service on the specified corridors?

The Concept Layout

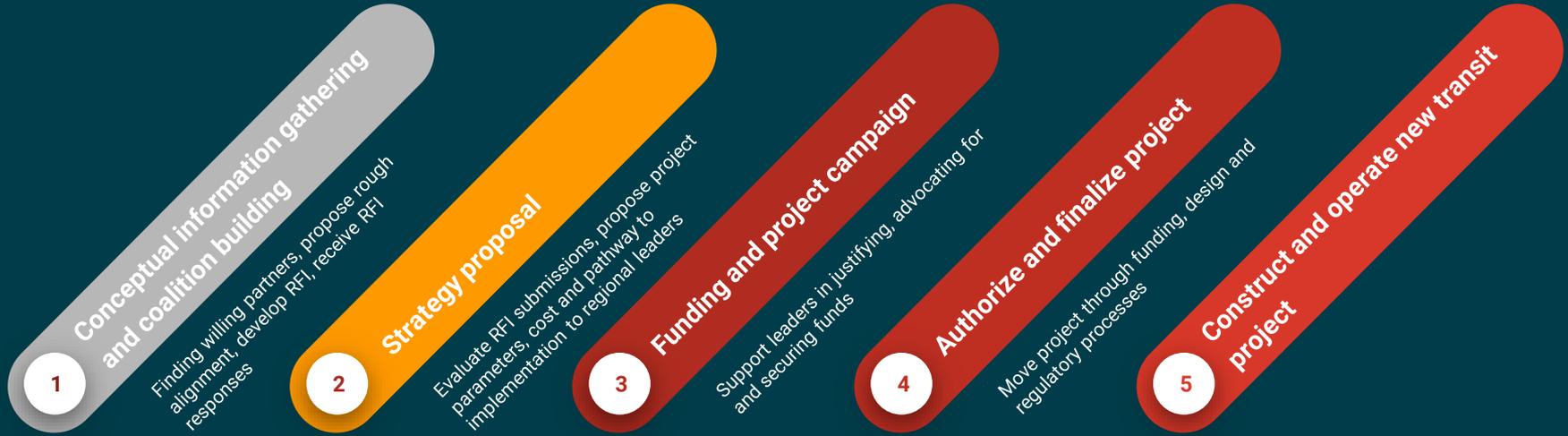


- ▲ Station entrance
- Station building
- Pedestrian area
- Bicycle path
- Platforms
- Retail / Cultural
- Residential / Mixed-use

Preliminary Artist Illustration



What's the End Goal: Connecting more people and areas to high quality transit



The process so far

Conceptual information gathering and coalition building

2000 - 2016

2018 - 2019

Feb. 2019

Feb. - Jun. 2019

Jul. - Sep. 2019

Measure A and prior studies

Measure A - Airport connector to BART, Caltrain, and LRT

3 prior studies have been produced.

Stevens Creek transportation planning coordination

Resolutions of support for Complete Streets Study and transit studies

San Jose Council direction

Direction to explore new transit options

Drafted RFI

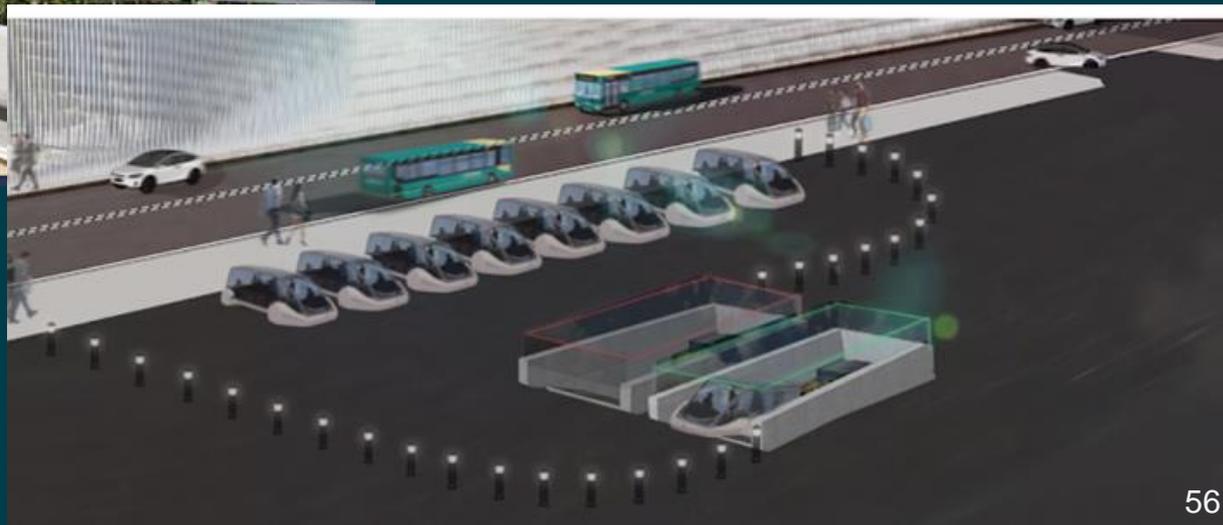
San Jose organized the drafting of the RFI

RFI Period

Submissions



Submissions



Submissions



Evaluation Overview

Technology

Viability and maturity of

- Infrastructure
- Transit Vehicle

Value

- System capacity
- Rider experience
- Scalability

Delivery & Cap Finance

- Company readiness
- Timeframe
- Cost
- Cap finance model

Operations

- Model
- Financial sustainability

Questions?

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Next Steps

- Next CWG meeting:
Thursday, May 14, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00 PM, Mission Branch Library, 1098 Lexington Street, Santa Clara
 - CWG Member Report Backs
 - Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
 - Phase II Update
 - Construction Education & Outreach Plan
 - Real Estate Update
- Action Items