VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

Downtown-Diridon Community Working Group

November 17, 2020
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Upcoming Meetings – Downtown-Diridon

• Upcoming Downtown-Diridon CWG Dates
  - February 9, 2021, 4:00 PM
  - May 11, 2021, 4:00 PM
  - September 14, 2021, 4:00 PM
  - November 16, 2021, 4:00 PM

• VTA Board of Directors [vta.org/about/board-and-committees](http://vta.org/about/board-and-committees)
  - December 3, 2020, 5:30 PM
  - January 7, 2021, 5:30 PM
  - February 4, 2021, 5:30 PM

• Kate will email alerts for other meetings, e.g. Board Workshops
Follow-Up Items
Kate Christopherson, VTA
Follow-up Items: Downtown-Diridon

- Send link to Downtown Transportation Plan website ✔
- Schedule meeting with SJSU ✔
Report Back

- Adina Levin *Friends of Caltrain*
- Alan Williams *Campus Community Association (Naglee Park)*
- Bert Weaver *Delmas Park Neighborhood Association*
- Carol Austen *Shasta / Hanchett Park Neighborhood Association*
- Charlie Faas *San José State University*
- Chris Morrisey *Arena Authority*
- Dana Grover *Horace Mann Neighborhood Association*

- Elizabeth Chien-Hale *Downtown Residents Association*
- Jeffrey Buchanan *Working Partnerships USA*
- Jim Goddard *Sharks Sports & Entertainment*
- Larry Clark *Alameda Business Association*
- Nikita Sinha *California Walks*
- Scott Knies *San José Downtown Association*
- Teresa Alvarado *SPUR*
Government Affairs
Aaron Quigley, VTA
2020 Election & Transportation Impacts

• **Policy and Funding**
  - Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act extended for 1 year

• **Regional Ballot Measures**
  - Measure RR: Ballot question asked to levy 30-year one-eighth sales tax for Caltrain service
  - Passed with 69%, above 66.7% threshold
Questions
Phase II Update
Bernice Alaniz, VTA
Year in Review – 2020 Milestones

January
New BART Program Chief started

February
Held Phase II Industry Forum

April
Held virtual Coffee with the Chief

June
Opened Phase I & updated Phase II tunnel and track configuration

September
Began releasing Requests for Industry Feedback (RFIF) & Participated in Peer Review

October
Released Small Business Operations Survey

November
Access & Service Needs Interviews
September/October – Released Requests for Industry Feedback (RFIFs)

- Released **Tunnel & Track Work RFIF** on September 16, 2020
  - Received 10 responses
- Released **Systems RFIF** on October 16, 2020
- **Underground Stations RFIF** to be released mid-November
- **Santa Clara Station & Newhall Yard RFIF** to be released in early 2021
October/November Surveys

- Launched **Small Business Operations Survey** on October 13, 2020
  - Informing Small Business Resource Study
- Started **Access & Service Needs Interviews** in November
  - Informing Construction Transportation Management Plan and construction contracts
October/November Third Party Agreements

- Staff completed all FTA deemed critical third-party agreements required for EPD submittal, including:
  - City of San José
  - City of Santa Clara
  - JPB
  - Caltrans
  - Utility owners (AT&T, PG&E, Sprint, Comcast)
November – Surveying of Historic Properties

- 25 of 43 surveys completed before COVID-19
- 18 surveys remain
- COVID-19 protocols finalized; scheduling and outreach process underway
- Survey effort restarted on November 4 with target to complete by early December
Framework to Completion

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Legend

- Engineering & Procurement
- RFIF
- RFQ
- RFP
- NTP
- Final Design & Construction

Substantial Completion
Questions
Real Estate & TOD
Jessie O’Malley Solis, VTA
Downtown & Diridon Stations Updates

Downtown San José Station
• Design Development Framework to resume in December; will update CWG in the first half of 2021

Diridon Station
• Google released Downtown West Environmental Impact Report
• VTA Board approved VTA’s BART Phase II’s Public-Private Partnership with Google
Downtown West/Google Project

- Google’s EIR evaluates:
  - Up to 5,900 residential units
  - 7.3 million gross square feet (GSF) of office
  - Up to 500,000 GSF of active uses
  - Up to 300 hotel rooms
  - Up to 800 rooms of limited-term corporate accommodations
  - Up to 100,000 GSF of event space
  - Approximately 100,000 GSF logistics/warehouse
  - Approximately 15 acres open space
  - Infrastructure and utilities

Comment period extended to December 8 at 5:00 PM  
www.sanjoseca.gov/googleproject
VTA’s BART Phase II Public-Private Partnership

- FTA’s Expedited Project Delivery (EPD) Pilot Program requires Public-Private Partnership (P3)
- VTA Board approved P3 with Google at October 2020 meeting
- P3 Agreement:
  - Includes Google’s work on air rights entitlements to allow future TOD above Diridon BART Station for up to 500 residential units (included in Downtown West proposed project)
  - Allows VTA to use Google’s Lot D4 as a construction staging area
  - Allows VTA to lease warehouse building for indoor parking during construction
Questions
Community Engagement
Gretchen Baisa, VTA
Construction Outreach Management Program

- **Construction Education and Outreach Plan (CEOP):** communication during construction between VTA, cities of San José and Santa Clara, and the public

- **Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP):** coordinate circulation and access needs within and around the construction areas for all transportation options

- **Emergency Services Coordination Plan (ESCP):** coordinate with local emergency services to minimize impact to emergency service routes and response times due to construction activities
Business Resources Update

Small Business Task Force
• Met on October 7, 2020

Small Business Resource Study
• Reinitiated in September
• Small Business Operations Survey launched on October 13, 2020
• Case studies to be finalized in November
Small Business Operations Survey

Survey’s Purpose:
• Inform CEO
• Inform construction contracts
• Best opportunity for businesses to weigh in on items that will impact them

Available:
• As of October 13, survey has been online (takes ~10 minutes to complete)
• VTA can present to your organization on request
• Separately engaging business providers, large organizations

Take the survey!
www.vta.org/bartsurvey

¹ Individual responses will not be published and participating in the survey doesn’t qualify survey participant for any future programs
Survey Distribution & Topics

What is typically your busiest time?

Approximately how many people a day visit your business?

How do employees, customers, or visitors typically travel to your business?

Does your business currently use outdoor areas or surroundings to sell products or serve food to customers?

What kinds of assistance may be helpful for your business or organization?
Access & Service Needs Interviews

Access and Service Needs Interviews to inform Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP)

• Phone survey that focuses on detailed questions about how customers, staff, and suppliers access the business, such as parking, loading, and use of adjacent sidewalk.
• Sent letter to 67 key businesses and organizations during the last week of October to give them notice.
• Interviews began in early November.

Next Steps

• Continue to coordinate and schedule interviews.
• Continue conducting interviews.
• Incorporate into Construction Transportation Management Plan and contract documents.
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Kate Christopherson, VTA
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Questions
Next Steps

• Next CWG meeting:
  February 9, 4:00 PM, Virtual Meeting
  - CWG Member Report Backs
  - Phase I & Other VTA Operations Updates
  - Government Affairs
  - Phase II Update
  - Community Engagement
  - Diridon Station Area Updates

• Action Items