VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

28th Street/Little Portugal Community Working Group

February 10, 2021
Agenda

• Welcome and Introductions
• Follow-up Items
• CWG Member Report Back
• Government Affairs
• Phase II Update
• Community Engagement
• Diridon Station Area Update
• Next Steps
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Upcoming Meetings – 28th Street / Little Portugal

• Upcoming 28th Street / Little Portugal CWG Dates
  - May 12, 2021, 4:00 PM
  - September 15, 2021, 4:00 PM
  - November 17, 2021, 4:00 PM

• VTA Board of Directors [vta.org/about/board-and-committees]
  - March 4, 2021, 5:30 PM
  - April 1, 2021, 5:30 PM
  - May 6, 2021, 5:30 PM

• Kate will email alerts for other meetings, e.g. Board Workshops
Follow-Up Items
Kate Christopherson, VTA
Follow-up Items: 28th Street / Little Portugal

• Provide update on Five Wounds Trail coordination – **VTA is continuing to work with the City, County, and Open Space Authority. VTA will provide an update when one is available.**

• Share contact information for stations’ outreach and technical leads ✓

• Add private development updates to 2021 CWG presentations ✓

• Ask the City of San José to update the CWG on En Movimiento ✓
Questions
CWG Member Report Back
Report Back

- Ricardo Agredano, Portuguese Organization for Social Services and Opportunities (POSSO)
- Bill Rankin, Friends of Five Wounds Trail
- Carlos Diaz, Alum Rock Business Network
- Chris Patterson-Simmons, East Santa Clara Street Business Association
- Cobán López, Cristo Rey San José Jesuit High School
- Connie Alvarez, Alum Rock Santa Clara Street Business Association
- Danny Garza, Plata-Arroyo Neighborhood Association
- Davide Vieira, Five Wounds Portuguese National Parish
- Elma Arredondo, Alum Rock Urban Village Advocates (ARUVA)
- Eric Thacker, Northside Neighborhood Association
- Helen Masamori, Five Wounds / Brookwood Terrace Neighborhood Action Coalition
- Jeff Levine, Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Association
- Justin Tríano, Ride East Side San José (Ride ESSJ)
- Matt Gustafson, Somos Mayfair
- Terry Christensen, CommUniversity
Government Affairs
Aaron Quigley, VTA
Federal Updates

• Biden Administration Transition

• American Rescue Plan and Future Infrastructure spending bill

• Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021

U.S. Capitol Building
Source: National Parks Service
Questions
Phase II Update
Bernice Alaniz, VTA
Submitted EPD application to FTA on January 7, 2021.

- Requested $1.72 billion
- FTA allocated another $100 million to VTA on January 11, 2021.
- Combined with the August 2019 allocation, FTA has allocated a total of $225 million to VTA for the Phase II Project.
Contracting Updates

Requests for Industry Feedback (RFIF)
- Released Tunnel RFIF on Sept. 16, 2020
- Released Systems RFIF on Oct. 16, 2020
- Released Stations RFIF on Nov. 20, 2020
- Santa Clara Station & Newhall Yard RFIF to be released in late 2021

Requests for Qualifications (RFQ)
- Released Tunnel RFQ on Dec. 29, 2020
- Systems RFQ to be released soon
- Stations RFQ to be released soon
Rail Systems Organization

• BART and VTA have jointly formed a Rail System Organization (RSO) with RSO Officers appointed by each agency to lead coordination efforts
• Lesson applied from Phase I/Berryessa Extension
• Through RSO, BART and VTA are jointly developing project requirements and design criteria aligning with applicable BART, state, federal, and industry standards to be part of contract procurement documents
Questions
Construction Education & Outreach Plan (CEOP)

Five Elements
- **General Outreach** – Raise visibility along the alignment and beyond
- **Stakeholder Engagement** – Build relationships with those most touched by the project
- **Business Resources** – Support during construction
- **Placemaking/Activation** – Enhance access and awareness during construction
- **On the Radar** – Coordinate with other projects in area on messaging and communications

Two Parts
- **Part A – Planning**
- **Part B – Construction**
VTA's Project Communications and Outreach Policy & Procedures

2018 Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report

Construction Outreach Management Program (COMP)

Construction Education Outreach Plan (CEOP)
- Part A – Planning
- Part B – Construction

Note: The CEOP is the Project Communications and Outreach Plan for VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Phase II Project.

Draft Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP)
- Final Emergency Services Coordination Plan (ESCP)

Contract Plans & Specifications

Contractor

Community Outreach Project Implementation Plans (COPIPs)

Traffic Control Plans

Final CTMP
Final ESCP

Legend:
- VTA’s BART Silicon Valley
- VTA’s BART Silicon Valley External Affairs Team
- Design-Build Contractor
Importance of the CEOP

The CEOP is a commitment from the 2018 environmental document that provides:

• **Activities and resources that support** community and stakeholder **outreach** and construction impact **communications** throughout the Phase II Project;

• **Strategies and tactics for coordinating construction activities** with existing business operations and other development projects to minimize disruption and delays; and

• **Processes for addressing concerns** of businesses and their customers, property owners, residents, and commuters.
## Communication Methods

- **Methods include:** ads, events, field hours, emails, flyers, press events, newsletters, phone calls, public meetings, signage, tours, website updates, etc.

- **Trigger:** The activity or project milestone that activates the need for communication

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<th>Definition</th>
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<td>Advertisements – Print and Broadcast</td>
<td>Purchased print space or airtime to communicate to a large audience and/or specific demographic audiences, i.e. seniors, youth, Vietnamese, etc.</td>
<td>Highlighting an activity, event or changed condition</td>
<td>At least 2 weeks prior to trigger and throughout duration of the trigger</td>
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<td>Briefings</td>
<td>Small group discussion relaying significant project information</td>
<td>To get or give project information, impromptu or scheduled</td>
<td>Depends on the urgency of the trigger</td>
<td>Based on trigger or prescheduled for planned reoccurring updates</td>
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<td>Brochures</td>
<td>Multi-page publication that promotes the benefits a project will have on the community, locally and regionally</td>
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Sample communication methods from Appendix F – Communication Chart
CEOP Development: Companion Plans

• Targeted outreach through seven (7) Community Outreach Project Implementation Plans (COPIPs) developed by BSV EAT once additional details are provided by Design-Build Contractors
  o East Portal
  o 28th Street/Little Portugal Station
  o 13th Street Mid-Tunnel Facility
  o Downtown San José Station
  o Diridon Station
  o Stockton Avenue Mid-Tunnel Facility
  o West Portal, Newhall Maintenance Facility and Santa Clara Station

• Business Resource Program
General Outreach

Examples of General Outreach – Part B activities include:

24/7 Emergency Hotline
Field Offices
Construction notifications two weeks prior to activity
Coordinate construction activities around public events and holidays
# Example Requirements – General Outreach

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<td>BART Silicon Valley (BSV) External Affairs Team (EAT) to coordinate construction activities that correspond to public events and holidays and ensure appropriate action is taken to minimize construction impacts to the public during these times</td>
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<td>BSV EAT will determine which detours from the Traffic Control Plans require notifications and public outreach. BSV EAT will prepare public-facing versions that will be provided to the Cities of San José and Santa Clara and distributed and published externally (as-needed).</td>
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Stakeholder Engagement

Examples of Stakeholder Engagement – Part B activities include:

- Monthly construction coordination meetings
- Safe Routes to Schools Engagement (28th Street/Little Portugal)
- Coordination meetings with transit providers as needed
- Outreach effort for Stockton Avenue mid-tunnel facility
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<td>BSV EAT to coordinate regular messaging with City of San José DOT and City of Santa Clara</td>
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<td>BSV EAT to attend monthly construction coordination meetings when field work will be occurring (i.e. Arena Events and Operations Committee and the San José Downtown Construction Coordination meeting)</td>
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<td>BSV EAT to initiate discussion with education/school contacts regarding best ways to engage students for 2022/2023 school year, school district information best practice</td>
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Examples of Business Resources – Part B activities include:

- Design and implement business-oriented marketing campaign
- Promote access to businesses during construction
- Develop and implement a social media campaign supporting businesses
- Continue Small Business Task Force
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<td>BSV EAT to develop a plan, using the Small Business Resource Study, to promote access to businesses during construction. This plan may include any combination of enhanced signage, marketing assistance, technical business support, and cross promotional efforts to encourage customers to shop at businesses during construction.</td>
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Placemaking & Activation

Host milestone events

Install and maintain graphic panels along construction staging areas
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<td>BSV EAT will provide direction to Contractor on locations, size and content for installation and maintenance for graphic panels along CSA fencing.</td>
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On the Radar

Coordinate with Cities and developers on ongoing and upcoming adjacent construction projects

Coordinate with Cities on wayfinding, messaging, street closures, and detours

Monitor that all construction parking is within the construction staging areas
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Coordination Examples: 28th Street/Little Portugal Station

- Five Wounds Trail coordination with City of San José, Santa Clara County, and Open Space Authority
- En Movimiento coordination with City of San José
- Urban Village Plan Update coordination with City of San José
- Reviewing and commenting on nearby development proposals (ongoing)
Questions
Diridon Station Area Update
Eric Eidlin, City of San José
Coordinated Projects
Coordinated Engagement: 2018 to 2020

2018
- Establish SAAG
- Public engagement
- Desired Outcomes
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Google

Early 2019
- Focus on Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
- Google pre-application input

Fall 2019
- Google’s initial “Downtown West” application and AB 900 certification
- DSAP amendment scoping

Spring 2020
- Draft concepts for the DSAP amendment
- Online survey, including community benefit priorities

Fall 2020
- Updated “Downtown West” submittal and DEIR
- Draft Amended DSAP
- Draft Diridon Affordable Housing Imp. Plan
Extensive Community Engagement

Since February 2018…

• **18** SAAG meetings
• **14** SAAG small group discussions
• **21** Community Meetings and Partner Events
• **3** online surveys with ~2,260 responses
• ~200 online feedback forms submitted
• ~75,000 page views and 36,000+ unique visitors on diridonsj.org
• **9** pop-ups at community events
• **5** virtual office hours
• **Many** meetings with community groups
Diridon Station Area Plan (2014)

A wide mix of buildings and amenities
Interesting public spaces
Easy to get around by foot, bike, and transit
Welcoming to all
Proposing to increase development capacity by about 7,000 housing units and 6.4 million square feet of commercial space (beyond Downtown West)
Recent effort focused on verification of heavy and light rail alignments from the Concept Layout.

Partner Agencies continue coordination with City on Downtown West and DSAP.

Multi-year effort with differing timelines.

Outlining the process steps.

For updates & upcoming event info: [https://www.diridonsj.org/disc](https://www.diridonsj.org/disc)
**DISC Program of Projects**

**Contingent Projects**
- CEMOF Relocation
- Track Approaches North and South
- Electrification to Gilroy

**Interface Projects**
- BSV Phase II Extension
- Diridon Area Parking
- Monterey Corridor
- Airport Connector
- HSR Implementation
- Google and TOD

**Policy & Regulatory Guidance**
- Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP)
- Downtown Transportation Plan (DTP)

**Supporting Plans & Programs**
- Plan Bay Area 2050
- Caltrain Business Plan
- HSR Business Plan
- ACE Vision
- Capitol Corridor Vision Plan
- Capitol Corridor Business Plan
- San Jose Access & Mobility Plan
- VTA High Capacity Transit
- VTA Valley Transportation Plan 2040 (VTP)

**Disc Program of Projects**
- Intermodal Station
- Historic Depot
- PG&E Substation
- Station Access
- Light Rail Station
- Elevated Tracks
Draft Street Network

- **Grand Boulevard**
  - Primary Bike Facility
  - Primary

- **Main Street**
  - Primary

- **Connector**
  - Primary

- **Trail (and Open Space)**
  - Active Greenway
The City’s 3 P Approach

**PRODUCTION**
Construct new affordable units with public subsidies and private sector contributions

**PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION**
Enact policies to protect vulnerable households from displacement
Preserve existing housing as permanently affordable to low- and moderate-income households
Preliminary Goals for the Diridon Area

- **25%** of housing to be deed-restricted affordable units at buildout
- In the DSA and ½-mile buffer:
  - Maintain number of low-income renter households
  - Maintain affordability of existing deed-restricted units
  - Launch Preservation Pilot Program
Google’s Downtown West Project

- ~ 7.3 M sf Office
- ~4,000 Housing Units
- ~ 500 K sf Active Use
  (Retail, Cultural, Arts, Education etc.)
- ~ 15 acres Parks + Plazas + Green Spaces

*Illustrative massing reflects the combination of density allowed in project’s zoning and applicable Downtown West design standards and guidelines
Vision for the Area

Images taken from Google’s Design Standards and Guidelines video, October 7, 2020
Downtown West: 3 Pathways

Development Review (entitlements and design)

Environmental Review (CEQA)

Development Agreement
Community Benefits

- Development Agreements (DA) are common tools for large, multi-phased projects
- The DA will include a Community Benefits Plan
- “Community Benefits” go beyond City requirements, mitigations, and discretionary project features
- Per the MOU, the intent is to share back some of the value created by City actions and consider development feasibility
- Releasing the staff-recommended DA in March

3 Types of Public Benefits

Baseline City Requirements

Mitigations (some)

Community Benefits (negotiated)

Publicly Valuable Project Features (discretionary)
Community Benefit Priorities

- Affordable housing
- Displacement prevention and community stabilization
- Education
- Workforce training and employment opportunities
Upcoming Public Meetings

Station Area Advisory Group Virtual Meeting: March 15, 6-9:00 PM
• Presentation on the Downtown West Development Agreement, followed by SAAG discussion
• Anticipating a public comment period at the end

Virtual Community Meeting: March 20, 10:00 AM
• For community members to learn about and share feedback on the Downtown West Development Agreement

Diridon Transportation Forum (Friends of Caltrain): March 8
• Learn about the strategies for managing parking, traffic, and alternative modes of transportation; Q&A
How to learn more

Visit the City’s website (www.diridonsj.org):
• Learn about upcoming public meetings
• Watch recorded presentations
• View the draft plans (Draft Amended DSAP, Downtown West Project, Draft Diridon Affordable Housing Implementation Plan)
• Read background information
• Sign up for email updates

Visit Google’s Downtown West site: g.co/sanjose

Email the project team with any questions or comments on the projects: Lori.severino@sanjoseca.gov
Questions
Next Steps

• Next CWG meeting:
  May 12, 4:00 PM, Virtual Meeting
  - CWG Member Report Backs
  - Financial Update
  - City of San José En Movimiento Plan Update

• Action Items
  - Phase II Update
    - Community Engagement
      - Small Business Resources Study