

Notes 2022-09-07

Staff Report

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One item not in report: Goog to begin construction of bike path around Ellis in Sunnyvale.

Chairperson report

No report today.

Consent Agenda

OBAG Priority list, by Celeste Fiore

Grant Cycle 3

Total grant request 588 M\$, well above available funds.

Campbell, SJC, SV, Santa Clara lent staff to evaluate proposals, as rules prohibit evaluation by same-area resident/representative.

Drafts reviewed by VTA panel, at request of submitter.

Majority of applications were combination of "Compete Streets" & "Safe Routes to School"

Federal Aid secondary application submitted, usually submitted by State. County applied for funds directly to USDOT.

Board voted to approve Project List.

Item 10. Review of Bike Ped planning studies competitive grant program.

Updated Weighting Criteria

Funds 1.18 M\$

Top 4 Criteria weighting factors: Community Engagement; Gap closure; connections to schools, transit, employment centers; Safety.

Added focus to neglected Communities, "Equity Priority Community".

Call for Projects, Nov 2022

Evaluation 2023

Item 11. Information, Update on VTA Long Range Transportation Plan, "Valley Trans. Plan", VTP.

John Sighamony, transportation planner, presented:

Last update 2014.

Looking for guidance & feedback on delivering the plan.

VTP 2050 new: Integrate Equity, Safety, Climate Change

Responsive to GHG reduction targets

Spring '23, develop programs and projects

Dec '23, final plan

Looking at how to interact w biz community, as large number of trips into county come from outside areas, to work at biz in county.

Update of Circulation and Mobility Element (CME) needed to revise county goals and policies.

By Ellen Talbo.

Reduced GHG; revise active/complete streets; identify High Injury Network; Equity;

Environmental Review

VMT update

State reduction recommendation 15% in light-duty VMT
Sargent Ranch Quarry S of Gilroy, 400 acre site, may increase truck traffic & VMT in that area.

Community identified 2 areas of Safety concern:

Almaden Corridor

Capitol Expy Corridor

Much focus on safety of walking & biking to school. Car visibility.

Frequent cyclists prefer wider shoulders/ Wider bike lanes

Infrequent cyclists prefer bike separation from vehicle traffic

Walk along expressway not desirable. Crossing, especially near schools, is important.

Method of gathering public input: place stickers over preferred options, presented on poster boards. Done at Farmer Mkt, Viva Calle, other festival and recurring events.

13. Nothing from subcommittee.

14. Work plan update.

15. Request to send announcement in writing, so that links & information can be accurately conveyed.

Chair suggested sending comments to SV, regarding Homestead Bike Lane