

Wednesday, September 13, 2023
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VTA BPAC Meeting Notes

VTA Staff Report

- BOD met last week Sep 7, discussed SJC proposal to build emergency-need housing on VTA-owned land, on 4 properties. Further discussion on Oct 5.
- 28 new bus operators graduated on Aug 23. Gap now 70 → 13. Two additional training classes this year.
- Beyoncé fans: 13k transported on Aug 30. “No rider left behind”. Crowds boarded at Gr Am Pkwy in ≤ 1 hr!
- CEO Ride, Sep 29. Bay Area transit orgs’ CEOs will ride to interact w public. Ends in HH at local pub.
- Community meeting to discuss Eastridge station design tonight, Sep 13.
- VTP 2050 on Sep 27th.
- Sep 18: Walk audits at Beryssa/ N SJ Transit Ctr 0900-1100; Winchester Station 1300–1500.
- Quick updates:
 - Bascom complete Streets
 - Homestead Safe Routes to School. Funding to 35% design, consultant hired. Project Manager coming to VTA BPAC to present design in Winter 2024.
 - Central Bikeway. 10 mile corridor. Funding request submitted “soon”
 - Wheels on Bus project signed-off. Will begin this Friday.
- Measure B Update

Santa Clara County Staff Report

None tonight.

STIP, State Transportation Improvement Program 2024.

presented by Marcella Rensi, DDr of Grants & Funds Requests, VTA

- Two-year program block. State budgets the program in 5-yr cycle. Funds employed by VTA on as-needed basis for specific projects.
- 17 M\$ for SC County. MTC collects the region’s projects, and forwards to State for funding approval.
- Recommended projects, ought to be ≥ 5 M\$:
 - 641 k\$ for planning & monitoring
 - Central Bikeway
 - 280 / Wolfe Interchange. Construction begins Late 2024 / early 2025. Asking City of Cupertino to contribute funds. 6 M\$ project.
 - 101 / 85 Interchange in S SJ.

VTP 2050 Progress Update

presented by John Sighamony, Sr. VTA Planner

- Ongoing work to develop project list, with goal to write 2050 Document in Spring 2024, with presentation to BoD in Summer 2024.
- Public Outreach Events:
 - Sep 27, 1800-1930, Open House at Roosevelt Comm Ctr, SJ
 - Project Field Trip, end Oct.
 - VTP 2050 Public Meeting, mid-Nov.
 - more planned....

Equitable VMT Mitigation Project SC County

by Robert Swierk, VTA Planner

See www.vta.org/EquitableVMT

- SB 743 Mandated switch from Levels of Service (LOS) to VMT in environmental analyses, mandated in 2020.
- Goal is to reduce VMT from land use developments in SC County, working across municipal borders to improve travel options.
- Prime Consultant selected: Fehr & Peers.
- Sub-consultants: Urban Planning Partners, Strategic Economics, Ann Cheng Consultants, SJSU Mineta Transportation Inst.

Announcements

Sat Sep 30 Cupertino Family Bike Fest

helmet fitting

bike blender smoothie-making

Sep is Transit Month

Viva Calle SJ Will continue to meet 3x/yr