

RTC 24-0026: Receive Information Regarding Potential Shuttle Options and Authorize City Manager to Apply for Micro Transit Grants With 50% Maximum Local Match

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Santa Clara & Cupertino Received \$8.5M for Hopper (Total Cost \$17M for 4 years)

1/9/24—Council asks Staff to Evaluate Funding Options for SV Hopper and Consider Replacing Study Issue DPW 23-06

> 2/15/24—Council Decides to Keep Study Issue 23-06 Until SV Hopper path is identified

SV Hopper Operations and Budget

Operated in Cupertino and Santa Clara

Contract Driver Model

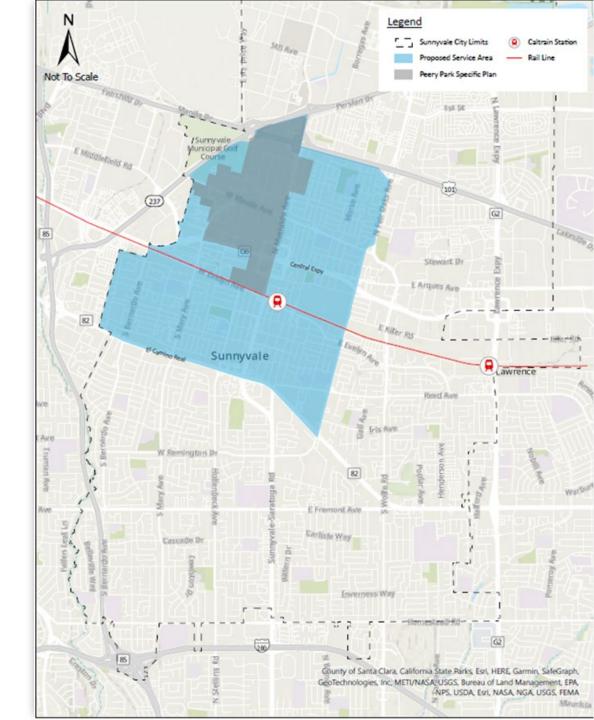
- Cupertino Administers Program –VIA is vendor
- Serves Sunnyvale Caltrain Station

50% TIRCP Grant/50% local Match

- Grant for FY 23/24 to FY 26/27
- Santa Clara--\$2M from Silicon Valley Power/\$2M GF
- Cupertino --GF

Sunnyvale Shuttle Options

- Peery Park Shuttle
 - Fall 2024 Target Start Date
 - 2-year Pilot
- EPA Grant for Citywide Shuttle
- Student-Only Shuttle
- Uber Credits



Potential Shuttle Options Costs/Funding Sources

Costs

- Peery Park Rides--\$2M (2-year pilot)
- Citywide SV HOPPER—\$3-\$4M/year
- Student Only Shuttle—about 500,000/year
- Uber Rides about \$100,000/year

Funding Sources

- Grants
- General Fund
- School District

Considerations

Timing

- Peery Park Shuttle—Target Fall 2024
- EPA Grant—Award Announced Late Summer 2024
- TIRCP Grant—Apply 7/23/24 (October 2024 Award)

Budget

- TIRCP Requires Local match
- Council Policy 7.1A Budget Policies

Outreach

• No Shuttle Program Outreach

Staff Recommendation

Alternatives

- 1. Authorize City Manager to Apply for Micro Transit Grants With up to a 50% Maximum Local Match.
- 2. Pause Work on Study Issue DPW 23-06 Until Environmental Protection Agency or Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program Grants are Announced.
- 3. Direct Staff to Explore a Student-Only Shuttle for Afternoon School Hours With School District Sharing 50% of Cost.
- 4. Other Council Direction.

Staff Recommendation

Alternatives 1 and 2