

schedule and let him know.

Mr. Jackson expressed his opinion on the Mary Avenue Overcrossing. His first choice would be option 4, pedestrian and bicycle only and his second choice would be option 3, two lanes for busses and shuttles only. He also stressed the difference between designing bike lanes for recreation riders versus commuters.

Dave Simons, VTA BPAC Commissioner, expressed his concerns with integrating the Mary Avenue Overcrossing with the current infrastructure. He suggested adding a link to the John W. Christian Trail and if that is not doable, adding a belvedere to the project.

Matthew Asuncion, a student at Saint Francis High School, said he was in favor of the new overpass. He commented that the surface on parts of the John W. Christian Trail are less than desirable. Many have loose gravel and are not easy to ride on. He suggested that any connections to that trail, have a better surface.

Commissioner Cordes agreed that adding a connection to the John W. Christian Trail would be a good idea and would like to see cycle tracks on Mary Avenue to Central Expressway be included in the Bike Plan. He also noted that If there is no safe way to get to the bridge, it will not be utilized.

3.        [17-0633](#)        Recommendation to City Council on the Update of the Transportation Strategic Program and Adopting a Resolution Amending the City's Master Fee Schedule for Traffic Impact Fees

Alternative 1: Recommend to City Council the Update of the Transportation Strategic Program and Adopt a Resolution Amending the City's Master Fee Schedule for Traffic Impact Fees.

Mr. Pineda gave an overview of the City's Traffic Impact Fees (TIF), which was last updated in 2013. He described how the City collects the fees and how the fees are used. Due to recent land use plans, transportation projects within the City and the inclusion of \$6 billion dollars of Measure B funds for transportation infrastructure, an update to the City's Master Fee Schedule for TIF is needed. He explained how the new fees are calculated using the transportation model and projects are identified using a nexus study. The fees are comparable to fees collected in neighboring cities. The following changes to the TIF were noted:

- Caltrain grade separations added to the fee
- Pedestrian improvements added

- Bicycle improvements increased from \$1.5 million to \$10.0 million
- Previous fee included \$287 million in improvements with \$136 million from TIF and updated fee includes \$906 million in improvements with \$126 million from TIF

Chair Cordes asked why the model uses level of service as a measure instead of evaluating vehicle miles traveled, if the model assumes an increase in alternative transportation mode share and how the projects identified will improve level of service to acceptable levels.

Mr. Pineda stated that Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority has not provided standards for evaluating vehicle miles traveled at this time. The transportation model assumes travel mode share will change based on existing inputs and anticipated changes such as land use or transit improvements. The Land Use Transportation Element (LUTE) included a comprehensive traffic analysis that identified traffic mitigations to improve the transportation network. The LUTE traffic analysis was used to develop land development plans as well as the projects identified in the updated TIF.

Mr. Simons noted that pedestrian funding traditionally leaves out landscaping which is needed for shading. He also stated that the level of service metric traditionally has only worked for automobiles and is not a good support for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Commissioner Oey moved to approve staff recommendation with the addition that they ask council to increase fees further to account for more spending for bike and pedestrian improvements. Commissioner Swail seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Note: Commissioner Rausch left the meeting at 7:30 p.m. before the vote was taken.

**Yes 6 -** Chair Cordes  
Commissioner Oey  
Commissioner Barry  
Commissioner Bremond  
Commissioner Swail  
Commissioner Welch

**No 0**

**Absent 1 -** Commissioner Rausch

**4.**      [17-0722](#)      Election of Officers