

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
and
2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)/2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Chairperson Wadler in Conference Room B-106, VTA River Oaks Campus, 3331 North First Street, San Jose, California.

1. ROLL CALL

| Attendee Name | Title | Status |
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| Stephen Blaylock | CAC Member | Present |
| Aneliza Del Pinal | CAC Member | Present |
| Chris Elias | CAC Member | Present |
| Sharon Fredlund | Vice Chairperson | Present |
| William Hadaya | CAC Member | Present |
| Ray Hashimoto | CAC Member | Present |
| Aaron Morrow | CAC Member | Present |
| Chris O'Connor | CAC Member | Present |
| Charlotte Powers | CAC Member | Present |
| Lucas Ramirez | CAC Member | Present |
| Connie Rogers | CAC Member | Present |
| Martin Schulter | CAC Member | Present |
| Noel Tebo | CAC Member | Present |
| Herman Wadler | Chairperson | Present |

A quorum was present.

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

Chairperson Wadler requested **Agenda Item #12**, Next Network Draft Plan, and **Agenda Item #13**, Caltrain Service Changes, be moved to the beginning of the Regular Agenda.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no Public Presentations.

4. Committee Staff Report

Aaron Quigley, Senior Policy Analyst and Staff Liaison, introduced Bernice Alaniz, Director of Communications, who provided a verbal report and a presentation entitled "Steps to Rebranding VTA," highlighting: 1) Steps to New Brand; 2) New Brand;

3) Displaying Brand; 4) Collateral; 5) Facilities; 6) Fleet; 7) Express and Standard Bus, and; 8) Light Rail.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) roll-out timeline; 2) design wrap; 3) image and tag line trademark; 4) measureable goals related to ridership; 5) expressed support for the new branding trademark, noting it is positive and refreshing; and 6) brand blending with interagency partners.

5. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Wadler welcomed new Committee Members Chris O'Connor, representing Silicon Valley Leadership Group, and Aneliza Del Pinal, representing Senior Citizens.

Chairperson Wadler announced the following: 1) Almaden Cycle Touring Club's Bike Driving Academy classes begin in February 2017, and; 2) Almaden Cycle Touring Club's annual Tierra Bella Bicycle Tour takes place on Saturday, April 1, 2017.

Chairperson Wadler reported the following: 1) he no longer represents the Campbell Bicycle Advisory Committee and has been appointed to represent Santa Clara County Roads, and 2) a report will come back to the Committee in February 2017 regarding Committee Membership.

6. Committee for Transportation Mobility and Accessibility (CTMA) Report

Member Morrow reported the following: 1) he is working with VTA staff to fill Committee for Transportation Mobility and Accessibility (CTMA) membership vacancies, and 2) indicated VTA's transition to a new paratransit provider is moving forward.

7. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Report

There was no Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Report.

COMBINED CAC AND 2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDAS

8. Regular Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2016.

M/S/C (Ramirez/Tebo) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2016.

9. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) 2016 Year-End Attendance Report.

M/S/C (Ramirez/Tebo) to receive the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) 2016 Year-End Attendance Report.

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| RESULT: | APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] (<u>Consent Agenda Items #8-9</u>) |
| MOVER: | Ramirez, Member |
| SECONDER: | Tebo, Member |
| AYES: | Blaylock, Del Pinal, Elias, Fredlund, Hadaya, Hashimoto, Morrow, O'Connor, Powers, Ramirez, Rogers, Schuller, Tebo, Wadler |
| NOES: | None |
| ABSENT: | None |

NOTE: M/S/C MEANS MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Agenda was taken out of order.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

12. Next Network Draft Plan

Jim Unites, Executive Manager, Transit Planning & Capitol Development, provided an overview of the staff report and a presentation entitled "Draft Transit Service Plan," highlighting: 1) Three Project Goals; 2) Project Schedule; 3) Last Summer's Community Outreach; 4) VTA Board Decision; 5) More Residents and Jobs on Frequent Network; 6) Access for Current Riders; 7) More Weekend Service; 8) Existing Grid of Frequent Routes; 9) Proposed Expanded Grid of Frequent Routes; 10) Existing Rapid Service; 11) Proposed Rapid Service; 12) Proposed Transit Network; 13) VTA Express Bus network remains unchanged except routes to Fremont BART, replaced by BART extension; 14) VTA Fare Study; 15) Proposed Light Rail Network; 16) BART Connections – Milpitas; 17) BART Connections – Berryessa; 18) Transit Access from Lockheed Martin; 19) Project Website – www.nextnetwork.vta.org; 20) Project Schedule, and; 21) Community Engagement.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) indicated a fare study should be conducted to understand impacts to low income, seniors, disabled, paratransit and transit dependent users; 2) allocation of 2016 Measure B funding will be determined by the Board; 3) requested a listing of routes that could be improved from 30-minute service to 15-minute service; 4) expressed concern that elimination of stops may entice riders to park in local business lots; 5) community bus service model is unsustainable; 6) VTA General Manager and Board are committed to making sure current paratransit users are not negatively impacted by route changes, and; 7) requested paratransit policy discussion be brought through CAC.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on the Draft Transit Service Plan.

Member Morrow left the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

13. Caltrain Service Changes

Catherine David, Senior Planner, Caltrain Rail Operations, provided a presentation entitled "2017 Proposed Service Changes," highlighting: 1) Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) Schedule; 2) Service Change Background; 3) Weekday Service Changes; 4) Typical Two Track Schematic; 5) Single Tracking Schematic; 6) Weekend Service Changes; 7) Title VI Equity Analysis Background; 8) Public Outreach, and; 9) Next Steps. Ms. David stated the proposed weekday, weekend timetable changes and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) are available at www.caltrain.com/proposedchanges.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) impact to weekend ridership during construction, and 2) expressed concern regarding lack of coordination between Caltrain and VTA when service problems arise.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on Caltrain Service Changes.

2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

10. Independent Auditor Initiation of Compliance Audit of FY16.

Mr. Quigley introduced Eugene Ma, Certified Public Accounting (CPA), Macias, Gini and O’Connel, LLP (MGO), who provided an overview of the staff report and a presentation entitled “Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016, Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) of the 2000 Measure A Transit Improvement Program,” highlighting: 1) Agenda; 2) Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC); 3) Risk-based audit approach, and; 4) Audit Timeline.

Chairperson Wadler queried if the previous paratransit provider’s misconduct may have affected Measure A funds. Mr. Ma indicated the matter would be further addressed.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee received a briefing from the 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee's independent compliance auditor on the draft audit plan and schedule for performing the compliance audit of FY16.

11. Review of the Citizens Watchdog Committee's ballot-specified duties, responsibilities and limitations.

Stephen Flynn, Senior Management Analyst and Advisory Committee Coordinator, provided an overview of the staff report.

Public Comment

Jim Stallman, Interested Citizen, commented on the following: 1) expressed concern that 2000 Measure A funds were used to build the pocket track for Levi’s Stadium; 2) suggested with the passage of 2016 Measure B, that Measure A funds should be returned to pay for VTA’s Next Network Bus Service, and; 3) requested auditors look into whether it was allowable to use 2000 Measure A funding for a project that was not a Measure A project deliverable.

Mr. Flynn stated he would relay the question to Mr. Ma and would report back to the Committee.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee received the annual review of the Citizens Watchdog Committee's ballot-specified duties, responsibilities and limitations.

4. Committee Staff Report (Continued)

Mr. Quigley reported the 2017 priorities expressed by Board Chairperson Jeannie Bruins at the January 5, 2017, VTA Board of Directors (Board) meeting are as follows: 1) safety and security; 2) establishing systems for implementing 2016 Measure B; 3) making public transit more convenient and useful for more people; 4) creating and implementing a two-year operating budget that soundly supports mobility solutions, and 5) continue moving forward with innovation.

Mr. Quigley reported the following: 1) at the January 5, 2017, Board meeting the Board reviewed and recommended One Bay Area Grant Cycle (OBAG 2) program of projects. The Board amended staff’s proposal and requested staff attempt to identify additional funding sources to fully fund those projects, or shorten the list of projects; 2) staff concurred with the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) to defer Board consideration of the

revised Joint Development Parking Policy. The matter is tentatively scheduled to be returned for re-consideration mid-year 2017, and 3) Caltrain Electrification cost overrun contingency pledge agreement.

Member Elias referenced VTA's 2016 Priorities and requested the Committee be provided with VTA's 2016 Performance Report.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee received the Committee Staff Report.

COMBINED CAC AND CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE ITEMS

14. Review the Citizens Advisory Committee and Citizens Watchdog Committee Work Plans.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee reviewed the Citizens Advisory Committee and Citizens Watchdog Committee Work Plans.

OTHER

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

16. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita McGraw, Board Assistant
VTA Office of the Board Secretary