

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

Wednesday, February 8, 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**

| <b>Attendee Name</b> | <b>Title</b>     | <b>Status</b> |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Stephen Blaylock     | CAC Member       | Present       |
| Aneliza Del Pinal    | CAC Member       | Present       |
| Chris Elias          | CAC Member       | Present       |
| Sharon Fredlund      | Vice Chairperson | Absent        |
| William Hadaya       | CAC Member       | Absent        |
| Ray Hashimoto        | CAC Member       | Present       |
| Aaron Morrow         | CAC Member       | Absent        |
| 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**

Member Powers noted, prior to the Consent Agenda being approved, she had a question on **Agenda Item #9.**, VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending October 31, 2016.

Member Tebo arrived at the meeting at 4:04 p.m. and took his seat.

**3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

There were no Public Presentations.

**4. Committee Staff Report**

Aaron Quigley, Senior Policy Analyst and Staff Liaison, reported the VTA Board of Directors (Board) took the following actions at their February 2, 2017, meeting: 1) received a status report on VTA's BART Silicon Valley Berryessa Extension project, noting the project is 95% complete. There is an unallocated contingency of \$150M and revenue service reforecast date is now mid-December 2017; 2) approved a four-year contract with MV Transportation to provide VTA's Access Paratransit service; 3) Alum Rock Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) bus and signal operations testing has begun; 4) new senior outreach campaign promoting VTA transit service; 5) on-board survey for VTA bus and light rail service, and 6) received legislative update.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) BART budget tracking; 2) BART Warm Springs revenue service date, and; 3) request for an East Side BRT status update.

**5. Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson Wadler reported the following: 1) Member Roberta Hughan has resigned. Members of the Committee noted their appreciation for her years of dedicated service; 2) encouraged CAC members to attend and help spread the word about upcoming transit system redesign community meetings, noting the VTA website ([www.vta.org](http://www.vta.org)) has a listing of upcoming meetings and video live-stream, and; 3) noted the community has expressed concern about Almaden Valley bus service cuts.

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

There was no Committee for Transportation Mobility and Accessibility (CTMA) Report.

**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**

Member Powers referenced **Agenda # 9.**, VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending October 31, 2016, noting Measure A funds were used in some of the projects listed, and queried if those projects were in alignment with the Committee's mission. Mr. Quigley stated he would have staff follow up.

**8. Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2017.**

M/S/C (Powers/Ramirez) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2017.

**9. VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending October 31, 2016.**

M/S/C (Powers/Ramirez) to receive the VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending October 31, 2016.

**10. Legislative Update Matrix.**

M/S/C (Powers/Ramirez) to receive the Legislative Update Matrix.

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

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] (<u>Consent Agenda Items #8-10</u>)</b>                                  |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Powers, Member   |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Ramirez, Member  |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Blaylock, Del Pinal, Elias, Hashimoto, O'Connor, Powers, Ramirez, Rogers, Schuller, Tebo, Wadler |
| <b>NOES:</b>     | None   |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Fredlund, Hadaya, Morrow   |

## **2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA**

*There were no items for the 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee Regular Agenda.*

## **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA**

### **11. Draft 2016 Measure B Program Areas – Caltrain Corridor Capacity & Caltrain Grade Separation**

Jane Shinn, Senior Management Analyst, provided an overview of the staff report, and a presentation entitled “2016 Measure B Program Areas,” highlighting: 1) 2016 Measure B Program Areas; 2) Caltrain Corridor Capacity Improvements – Program Description; 3) Caltrain Corridor Capacity Improvements – Proposed Guidelines; 4) Caltrain Grade Separation – Program Description; 5) Caltrain Grade Separation – Locations; 6) Caltrain Grade Separation – Proposed Guidelines; 7) Caltrain Grade Separation – Implementation Plan, and; 8) Caltrain Corridor Capacity Improvements & Caltrain Grade Separation Program.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) south county funding for capacity improvement; 2) competitive state grade separation program; 3) implementation plan; 4) city project readiness; 5) land purchase for right of way; 6) expressed appreciation for additional service to South County; 7) suggested VTA/Caltrain survey riders regarding preferred schedule times; 8) suggested, as part of funding eligibility requirements, cities be required to pay for any additional real estate as part of their contribution; 9) suggested 10% local match is too low; 10) suggested aligning the matching contribution with other major grant systems that are already in place, and; 11) weigh safety concerns.

**On order of Chairperson Wadler** and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on the Draft 2016 Measure B Program Areas – Caltrain Corridor Capacity & Caltrain Grade Separation.

### **12. Draft 2016 Measure B Program Area – Bicycle & Pedestrian**

Ms. Shinn provided an overview of the staff report and handout entitled “Vehicle Emissions Reductions Based at Schools (VERBS) Program vs. 2016 Measure B Bike & Pedestrian Education/Encouragement Grant Program.” She also provided a presentation entitled "2016 Measure B Program Areas," highlighting: 1) 2016 Measure B Program Areas; 2) Bicycle & Pedestrian – Program Description; 3) Bicycle/Pedestrian – Proposed

Guidelines; 4) Competitive Grant Programs; 5) Example of Potential Grant Program Awards; 6) Relationship to VERBS Program, and; 7) Bike and Pedestrian Program.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) reimbursement of funds and 2) adding eligible projects to the list.

**On order of Chairperson Wadler** and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on the Draft 2016 Measure B Program Area – Bicycle & Pedestrian.

**13. Next Network Outreach Status Update**

Jason Tyree, Senior Project Manager, provided an overview of the staff report, and handout entitled “Map of Next Network Proposal.”

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) the proposal does not include any resources from the transit operating portion of 2016 Measure B; 2) expressed support for more frequent service on Line 68; 3) tentative plan to combine community bus routes in Gilroy and Morgan Hill into one large loop; 4) implementation of Next Network Service will coincide with the opening of BART; 5) upcoming paratransit update policy; 6) Downtown Area Shuttle (DASH) will be replaced with the new Rapid 500; 7) Express Bus Network Plan will be studied after BART stations open; 8) noted the importance of continued community outreach as the Core Connectivity Program is developed and moves through committees; 9) expressed concern about negative community feedback over potential Almaden Valley bus service cuts, and; 10) financial analysis would be helpful.

**On order of Chairperson Wadler** and there being no objection, the Committee received the Next Network Outreach Status Update

## **COMBINED CAC AND CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE ITEMS**

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

Member Tebo expressed concern with VTA light rail service to the Women’s March on Saturday, January 21, 2017. Mr. Quigley indicated he would be happy to address the matter in his Staff Liaison Report at the March meeting, noting VTA moved 16,000 people in four hours with limited prior notice.

Member Blaylock suggested it might be a good time to consider looking at installing Solar Panels and Solar Powered Parking Pay Stations at VTA Park and Ride Lots.

Chairperson Wadler noted community members have alerted him that people are using VTA Park and Ride Lots for long term vehicle parking.

**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**

Member Blaylock indicated photographs were taken during the CAC meeting for an internal newsletter for two articles. One article will be on a community shuttle program for the City of Mountain View, and the second article on the value and purpose of the

CAC/CWC. He stated the newsletter will be forwarded to Committee members and feel free to forward it on to constituents.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**On order of Chairperson Wadler** and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita McGraw, Board Assistant  
VTA Office of the Board Secretary