

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

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

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	Represents	Status
Aboubacar Ndiaye	Member	South Bay AFL-CIO Labor Council	Present
Aneliza Del Pinal	Member	Senior Citizens	Absent
William Hadaya	Member	SCC Chambers of Commerce Coalition	Present
Ray Hashimoto	Member	Homebuilders Assn. of No. CA	Absent
Aaron Morrow	Member	Disabled Community	Present
Matthew Quevedo	Member	Silicon Valley Leadership Group	Present
Connie Rogers	Member	South County Cities	Absent
Martin Schuler	Member	Disabled Persons	Present
Noel Tebo	Member	San Jose	Present
Herman Wadler	Member	Bicyclists & Pedestrians	Present

A quorum was not present and a Committee of the Whole was declared.

2. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Robin Roemer, Interested Citizen, provided a handout entitled "Fight Charcot Deathtrap!" and expressed the communities' concern with city plans to build a new road next to elementary and middle schools in a residential neighborhood.

4. Committee Staff Report

Aaron Quigley, Senior Policy Analyst and Staff Liaison, provided a report, highlighting: 1) actions the VTA Board of Directors (Board) took at their September 6, 2018 meeting; 2) 2016 Measure B update; 3) VTA's BART Berryessa Extension update; 4) September is California Rail Safety Month; 5) VTA's New Electric Buses; 6) Ad Hoc Financial Stability Committee meetings for September and October have been cancelled and will meet in November after the election, and; 7) Paratransit Related Items.

Member Hadaya arrived at the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

- **VTA Access Paratransit Update**

Aaron Vogel, Regional Transportation Services Manager, provided a verbal report and a presentation entitled "Paratransit Transition Review," highlighting: 1) What is Paratransit; 2) Paradigm Shifts; 3) General Information; 4) Improvements Made; 5) Improvements Needed; 6) VTA Access App; 7) Number of Trips Booked through the MyAccess App, and; 8) Number of Trips Booked with Innovative Voice Response (IVR).

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) update of mapping software within Trapeze; 2) on-time performance; 3) customer feedback; 4) use of overflow drivers is approximately 23%; 5) on-line booking system expansion and usage statistics; 6) requested information on the Protera Zero-Emission bus battery lifecycle; 7) ridership statistics, and; 8) FAQ Guides and on-line tutorials and videos are available.

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

5. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Wadler reported on the following: 1) VTA endorsed Transit App; 2) announced Viva CalleSJ to be held on Sunday, September 23, 2018, and; 3) announced Committee Member Stephen Blaylock has resigned after having served 21 years on the Committee. Chairperson Wadler noted that Mr. Blaylock was a valuable member of the Committee and will be missed.

Member Tebo suggested the Committee needs to move forward with the implementation of the new approved committee structure which includes a reduced quorum.

6. Committee for Transportation Mobility and Accessibility

Member Morrow encouraged the continuation of open and honest dialogue about the direction of the current paratransit service contract in Santa Clara County.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received the Committee for Transportation Mobility and Accessibility Report.

7. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Chairperson Wadler referenced the August 8, 2018, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) meeting and noted his no vote on Agenda Item #10., Recommend that the VTA Board of Directors adopt the Story-Keyes Complete Streets Study and 10% Concept Design.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Report.

COMBINED CAC AND 2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDAS

8. Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2018

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection the Committee of the Whole deferred the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2018.

9. (Removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda.)

Receive the Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending June 30, 2018.

2000 MEASURE A CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

9. VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending June 30, 2018

Gene Gonzalo, Engineering Group Manager - Capital Program, provided a brief overview of the staff report.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the Charcot Overpass Project. Staff provided clarification that the City of San Jose is designing and delivering the Charcot Overpass Project, and therefore, the project is not listed in the VTP Highway Program Semi-Annual Report ending June 30, 2018. Staff indicated the Charcot Overpass is on the 2000 Measure B list of projects.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received the Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) Highway Program Semi-Annual Report Ending June 30, 2018.

10. 2000 Measure A Semi-Annual Report Ending June 30, 2018

Ken Ronsse, Deputy Director, Rail & Facilities, provided a brief overview of the staff report, highlighting: 1) VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase I and II; 2) Extend Light Rail from Downtown San Jose to the Easy Valley; 3) Improve Caltrain: Double Track to Gilroy & Electrify from Palo Alto to Gilroy; 4) Improve Bus Service in Major Corridors; 5) Develop New Light Rail Corridor, and; 6) on-going community outreach.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) new BART vehicles are integrated into the extension; 2) requested staff present a safety and security action plan for both Milpitas and Berryessa BART Stations; 3) City of San Jose taking the lead on the Airport People Mover Project; 4) update on Rapid 523 Program on Stevens Creek Boulevard; 5) VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase I; and 6) Eastridge to BART funding strategies.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received information on the 2000 Measure A Semi-Annual Report Ending June 30, 2018.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR AGENDA

11. FY 2018 SR 237 Express Lanes Operational Report

Jane Yu, Senior Transportation Engineer, provided an overview of the staff report.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) counting method for determining the percentage of clean vehicles using the lane, and; 2) clean air vehicle decal expiration dates.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received the Fiscal Year 2018 SR 237 Express Lanes Operational Report.

12. Silicon Valley Express Lanes Toll Ordinance

Murali Ramanujam, Transportation Engineering Manager, provided an overview of the staff report and a presentation entitled "Silicon Valley Express Lanes Toll Ordinance," highlighting: 1) Primary Objectives of Express Lanes; 2) SR 237 Express Lanes: Existing Operations; 3) What Toll Ordinance Does for VTA?; 4) Achieve Regional Consistency with Express Lanes; 5) Prepare for Future Changes; and 6) Next Steps.

Members of the Committee commented on the following: 1) Section 12, Collection of Unpaid Penalties, and; 2) revenue from penalties goes back to VTA Express Lanes. Staff confirmed the penalty amount and the process identified in the toll ordinance is similar to the process other Bay Area toll operators use.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received information on the proposed Silicon Valley Express Lanes Toll Ordinance.

13. North First Street Light Rail Improvements

Jason Kim, Sr. Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the staff report and a presentation entitled "North First Street Light Rail Improvements," highlighting the following: 1) Speeding Up Light Rail; 2) VTA Strategic Plan; 3) Light Rail Maximum Speeds; 4) Light Rail Actual Speeds; 5) Light Rail Operating Inefficiency Increasing; 6) Light Rail Operating Delays System Wide; 7) Key Intersections; 8) North First Street; 9) North First Street Delays; 10) Light Rail Enhancement project; 11) Improving Signal Priority; 12) Adaptive Pedestrian Detection; and 13) First and Tasman.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) expressed support for the project; 2) safety and speed improvements; 3) upcoming Track Intrusion Prevention Project to include fencing along Tasman and First Street to help prevent jaywalking; 4) increasing light rail speed requires fencing and signals on both sides of First Street; 5) signal priority must be approved by the city; 6) speeding up the light rail system is critical; 7) light rail operating cost; 8) VTA has no land use authority; 9) capital project cost in excess of \$10 million; 10) project goals; 11) requested a list of all intersections in Santa Clara County where adaptive pedestrian detection signals are used; 12) protected intersections for bicyclists and pedestrians, and; 13) suggested VTA encourage Committee members to return to their communities and advocate for cooperation for these improvements.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole received an update on the North First Street Light Rail Improvements.

COMBINED CAC AND CITIZENS WATCHDOG COMMITTEE ITEMS

14. Citizens Advisory Committee and Citizens Watchdog Committee Work Plans

Member Tebo requested Implementation of the new Committee structure and updated quorum be added to the work plan.

On order of Chairperson Wadler and there being no objection, the Committee of the Whole 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 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita McGraw, Board Assistant
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