

## **STATE ROUTE 85 CORRIDOR POLICY ADVISORY BOARD**

Monday, February 27, 2017

10:00 AM

Cupertino Community Hall  
10350 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA 95014

### **AGENDA**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

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- 3. ORDERS OF THE DAY**
4. Receive Committee Staff Report. (Verbal Report) (Gonot)

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

5. ACTION ITEM - Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2016.
6. ACTION ITEM - Approve the 2017 State Route (SR) 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB) Meeting Schedule.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

7. DISCUSSION ITEM - Review and discuss Draft 2016 Measure B - State Route 85 Corridor Program Area.
8. INFORMATION ITEM - Receive a report on the Initial Tasks for the SR 85 Transit Guideway Study. (Verbal Report)

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**10. ADJOURN**

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## STATE ROUTE 85 CORRIDOR POLICY ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, December 12, 2016

### MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the State Route 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (SR 85) was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Chairperson Sinks in Community Hall, 10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, California.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Representing	Status
Mary-Lynne Bernald	Alternate Member	City of Saratoga	Absent
Jeannie Bruins	Alternate Member	City of Los Altos	Present
Barry Chang	Alternate Member	City of Cupertino	Absent
Burton Craig	Alternate Member	City of Monte Sereno	Absent
Elizabeth Gibbons	Alternate Member	City of Campbell	Absent
Glenn Hendricks	Member	City of Sunnyvale	Absent
Walter Huff	Member	City of Monte Sereno	Absent
Marcia Jensen	Member	Town of Los Gatos	Present
Chappie Jones	Member	City of San José	Present
Tara Martin-Milius	Alternate Member	City of Sunnyvale	Present
John McAlister	Vice Chairperson	City of Mountain View	Absent
Howard Miller	Member	City of Saratoga	Present
Rob Rennie	Alternate Member	Town of Los Gatos	Present
Paul Resnikoff	Member	City of Campbell	Present
Pat Showalter	Alternate Member	City of Mountain View	Absent
Rod Sinks	Chairperson	City of Cupertino	Present
Bijan Sartipi	Ex-Officio Member	Caltrans	Absent
Dan McElhinney	Alt. Ex-Officio Member	Caltrans	Absent

**A quorum was present.**

#### 2. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Beverley Bryant, Interested Citizen, commented that high density along transit corridors is key to increasing ridership.

Roland Lebrun, Interested Citizen, commented on the following: 1) VTA parking policy; and 2) Smart Freeways.

#### 3. ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no Orders of the Day.

Member Miller requested staff provide a work plan to the Committee. Carolyn Gonot, Interim Director of Planning & Program Development and Staff Liaison, indicated that a work plan can be created and placed on the Agenda.

**4. Committee Staff Report**

Ms. Gonot provided updates on the following: 1) 2016 Measure B; 2) Next Network; 3) Transit Guideway Request for Proposals (RFP); 4) Express Lanes.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Lebrun commented on the following: 1) 2016 Measure B; and 2) Transit Guideway RFP.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2016**

M/S/C (Resnikoff/Miller) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2016.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Paul Resnikoff, Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Howard Miller, Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Bruins, Jensen, Jones, Martin-Milius, Miller, Resnikoff, Sinks
<b>NOES:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Huff, McAlister

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**6. SR 85 Noise Reduction Program (Phase 1)**

Gene Gonzalo, Engineering Group Manager - Capital Program, provided a presentation titled “SR 85 Noise Reduction Study (Phase 1),” highlighting: 1) Project Background; 2) Noise Reduction Pilot Testing Locations; and 3) Recommendation and Next Steps.

The Committee discussed the following: 1) pilot project; 2) similar paving projects; 3) pavement maintenance; and 4) other funding sources.

**Public Comment**

Meir Levi, Interested Citizen, made the following comments: 1) expressed gratitude for the noise study; and 2) other options for noise abatement.

Mr. Lebrun commented on the following: 1) how the asphalt reacts to rain; 2) repaving SR 85; and 3) displaying the decibels along SR 85 for the public to see.

Cheriel Jensen, Interested Citizen, commented on funding sources.

Steven Levin, Interested Citizen, commented that asphalt is prone to more accidents than concrete.

Members of the Committee and staff discussed the following: 1) Interstate 280 overlay project and similar paving projects; 3) next maintenance cycle for Highway 85; 4) cost of pilot project and implementation; 4) public outreach timeline; and 5) other funding sources.

**On order of Chairperson Sinks**, and there being no objection, the Committee received a report on the “State Route 85 Noise Reduction Study Final Phase I Report” dated September 2016.

## 7. **Report on Express Route 185**

Steve Fisher, Senior Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the staff report.

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) advertising; 2) assessing success; 3) partnering with small and medium sized companies; and 4) express bus schedule.

### **Public Comment**

Mr. Lebrun commented that the Express 185 would compete with Caltrain and shuttles when it should complement what is existing.

Ms. Jensen suggested that the Express bus service start on a reservation basis.

Mr. Levin made the following comments: 1) double express lanes will make Express bus service faster; and 2) expressed support for charging more for Express Route 185.

Rob Rennie, Town of Los Gatos Vice Mayor, suggested implementing the service in phases.

Members of the Committee discussed the following: 1) using the shoulder for buses, which has been blocked by the California Highway Patrol's union; 2) comparison to Caltrain service; 3) ridership expectations; and 4) provided route and stop suggestions.

Member Miller suggested staff look into free rides for a short period of time as part of the launch of Express Route 185.

**On order of Chairperson Sinks**, and there being no objection, the Committee received a status report on VTA's forthcoming Express 185 service.

## 8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Announcements.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

**On order of Chairperson Sinks** and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thalia Young, Board Assistant  
VTA Office of the Board Secretary

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Date: February 16, 2017  
 Current Meeting: February 27, 2017  
 Board Meeting: N/A

## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority  
 State Route 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board

**THROUGH:** General Manager, Nuria I. Fernandez

**FROM:** Board Secretary, Elaine Baltao

**SUBJECT:** 2017 State Route 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

Policy-Related Action: No

Government Code Section 84308 Applies: No

### ACTION ITEM

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the 2017 State Route (SR) 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB) Meeting Schedule.

#### BACKGROUND:

The VTA SR 85 Corridor PAB will generally meet quarterly on the fourth Monday of the month, except for the month of December, which will be held on the second Monday. The following meeting dates are proposed for 2017. The SR 85 Corridor PAB generally meets at Community Hall, 10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, at 10:00 a.m., or as otherwise posted.

Monday, February 27, 2017	10:00 a.m.
Monday, May 22, 2017	10:00 a.m.
Monday, September 25, 2017	10:00 a.m.
Monday, December 11, 2017 (second Monday)	10:00 a.m.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

Prepared by: Thalia Young  
 Memo No. 6020



Date: February 17, 2017  
 Current Meeting: February 27, 2017  
 Board Meeting: N/A

## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority  
 State Route 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board

**THROUGH:** General Manager, Nuria I. Fernandez

**FROM:** Interim Director - Planning & Program Development, Carolyn M. Gonot

**SUBJECT:** Draft 2016 Measure B Program Areas - State Route 85 Corridor

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### FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On November 8, 2016, the voters of Santa Clara County overwhelmingly approved a 30-year, ½ cent sales tax measure supporting transportation projects and services. Resolution No. 2016.06.17, adopted by the VTA Board of Directors in June 2016, listed and described the following nine program categories to comprise the 2016 Measure B Program: Local Streets and Roads; BART Phase II; Bicycle and Pedestrian; Caltrain Grade Separation; Caltrain Corridor Capacity Improvements; Highway Interchanges; County Expressways; SR 85 Corridor; and Transit Operations.

With the passage of the 2016 Measure B sales tax, VTA must develop guidelines for each of the nine program areas. VTA presented a work plan to the Board and advisory committees in December 2016. As an initial step in the development of the guidelines, VTA held a workshop with the Technical Advisory Committee on January 11, 2017. The workshop included a review of the 2016 Measure B Program and provided each city and county staff with the opportunity to provide feedback and recommendations for each of the program areas. Based on these discussions, VTA is developing the guidelines for each program area. VTA will present the final draft guidelines for the 2016 Measure B program in May 2017.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Per VTA Resolution 2016.06.17, the intent of the SR 85 Corridor program area is:

“To fund new transit and congestion relief projects on SR 85, including a new transit lane from SR 87 in San Jose to U.S. 101 in Mountain View. Additionally this category will fund noise abatement along SR 85 and will provide funding to study transportation alternatives that include, but are not limited to, Bus Rapid Transit with infrastructure such as stations and access ramps. Light Rail Transit, and future transportation technologies



that may be applicable.”

The SR 85 Corridor program area funding is estimated at \$350 Million of Program Tax Revenues in 2017 dollars.

As part of the review process, the SR 85 Policy Advisory Board will review the SR 85 Corridor program area in February 2017. The SR 85 Program area will be reviewed by VTA committees in March 2017. The Local Streets & Roads and BART Phase II program areas will also be reviewed at the March committees under separate items. The draft guidelines and description of the SR 85 Corridor program is attached.

VTA staff is launching the SR 85 Transit Guideway Study to identify the most effective transit and congestion relief projects on SR 85. This study is expected to take approximately 18 months to complete. Projects identified from this study will be candidates for funding from the 2016 Measure B SR 85 Corridor Program Area.

An SR 85 Corridor Noise Reduction Study was completed in September 2016. The Noise Reduction Study identified five sites as pilot project sites for noise reduction applications. As part of the SR85 Corridor Program Area, these five noise reduction pilot projects may be initiated/completed.

Prepared By: Jane Shinn  
Memo No. 6001

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## Proposed State Route 85 Corridor Program Guidelines February 2017

### **Definition from Resolution No. 2016.06.17**

To fund new transit and congestion relief projects on SR 85, including a new transit lane from SR 87 in San Jose to U.S. 101 in Mountain View. Additionally this category will fund noise abatement along SR 85 and will provide funding to study transportation alternatives that include, but are not limited to, Bus Rapid Transit with infrastructure such as stations and access ramps. Light Rail Transit, and future transportation technologies that may be applicable.

### **Total Funding**

- \$350 million in 2017 dollars.

### **Distribution**

- Revenues will be programmed on a 2-year cycle towards projects identified in SR 85 Corridor-related studies.

### **Implementation**

- VTA staff is launching the SR 85 Transit Guideway Study (study) to identify the most effective transit and congestion relief projects on SR 85.
- Projects identified by the study will be candidates for funding.
- Noise abatement projects as identified in the SR 85 Noise Abatement Study may be funded prior to the completion of the study.
- SR 85 Policy Advisory Board will forward recommended projects to the VTA Board of Directors to be funded in the 2-year budget process.
- VTA will serve as implementing agency for all program projects.

### **Requirements**

- Capital projects require a 10% non-2016 Measure B contribution.
- Complete Streets reporting requirements will be required.
- All collateral material will be required to display a 2016 Measure B logo.