

**Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board
Work Program – Legislative – Planning Committee (WPLP)
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos CA**

Minutes of April 27, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Heminger, C. Stone (Chair)

MEMBERS ABSENT: C. Chavez

STAFF PRESENT: M. Bouchard, J. Harrison, C. Fromson, D. Santoro, A. Simmons, J. Wasilco, N. Fogarty, D. Seamans, S. Wong

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Stone called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

District Secretary Dora Seamans called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

3. Public Comment For Items Not On The Agenda

There were no public comments.

4. Approve Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2022

Motion/Second: Heminger/Stone

Ayes: Heminger, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: Chavez

5. State and Federal Legislative Update and Approval of Legislative Proposal: Support Assembly Bill (AB) 1944 (Lee)

Casey Fromson, Government Community Affairs Manager, provided an update which included the following:

- Submittals for electrification on the House side and transit agency and supplier support
- Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) upcoming grant application
- Upcoming appropriations process and communicating with the delegation
- Updates from the Governor coming in May on negotiations for transportation projects and any surplus

Jadie Wasilco, Government Community Affairs Manager, provided an update which included staff recommendations for support on the following:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 1944 (Lee) – currently being monitored, it would affect Brown Act requirements for public meetings, and suspend the disclosure of the private addresses of members of a local legislative body during teleconferences.
- Senate Bill (SB) 917 (Becker) –the “Seamless Transit Transformation Act” has been assigned to the Senate Transportation Committee and is awaiting a hearing; it would establish the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) as the regional agency to take the lead on forming a more coordinated system.

The Board had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Board members comments and questions, which included the following:

- Whether AB 1944 needs a quorum to approve
- Whether SB 917 will be brought to the full Board for a position
- If funding are not found, would the public would have to back the funding

Motion/Second: Heminger/Stone

Ayes: Heminger, Stone

Noes: None

Absent: Chavez

6. Diridon Development Update

Brian Fitzpatrick, Real Estate & Development Director, provided an overview of the project.

Nadine Fogarty, Deputy Director Transit Oriented Development and Real Estate, provided a presentation, which included the following:

- Site & Project overviews - connection between Diridon and downtown San Jose with two towers separated by a plaza and one million square feet of office space
- Rail Corridor Use Policy (RCUP) – goals, objectives, and policy goals
- Diridon Station Area Plan (DSAP) – significant increases, allowable heights & densities, and Caltrain parcels continue to be designated “employment/commercial”
- Land Use Balance & Development Caps
- Affordable Housing Implementation Plan - 25 percent overall affordability target and \$12 million for affordable housing development
- Diridon Integrated Station Concept (DISC) Plan and changing area development over time
- Real Estate Process - secure planning entitlements, assess market requirements, obtain Board input, engage the private sector, enter lease, collect ground lease, and so on

Aaron Akin, Urban Planner AICP, provided a presentation, which included the following:

- Site Plan - Cahill Street closed to automobile traffic

- Key Changes Based on Preliminary City Feedback - concerns regarding Google events, detailed plaza design, and re-oriented and reduced height of South Building
- Public Plaza and Gateway to Station with 1.3 acres of public open space and a podium terrace
- Street character - close some streets, key bicycle route, and work with bus accessibility
- Community Engagement – outreach and stakeholder meetings
- Timeline & next steps - city preliminary review complete, city formal review second quarter 2022), and proceed with real estate process second quarter 2023

The Board had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Board members comments and questions, which included the following:

- Where the transportation facilities are and how the station connects to other transportation providers
- Whether Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) goes underneath the station and stops at the Diridon station
- Iteration with housing built instead of commercial leases
- Estimate lease income
- Building more tenant space and building out

7. Downtown Extension Update

Michelle Bouchard, Acting Executive Director, provided an overview of the project. She stated it is unique to Caltrain's portfolio, as Caltrain is partially funding it. She noted the momentum behind the project as a regional investment.

Adam Van de Water, Executive Director, Transbay Joint Powers Authority, provided a presentation, which included the following:

- A regional project providing direct connection to downtown San Francisco and beyond
- This is a generational opportunity and natural extension of the electrification project
- Project elements - 2.4 miles of construction and 1.5 miles of tunnel from Fourth and Townsend to Salesforce Transit center
- Current structure & activities – re-branding rail program, funding plan, ridership analysis, and project delivery
- Schedule and key milestones - construction in 2025 and ready for service in 2031
- DTX project costs between \$4.4 and \$5 billion and working to get it as accurate as possible
- Funding Milestones – in February 2023, they will need 30 percent of non-federal funds committed to enter engineering

Michelle Bouchard, Acting Executive Director, provided a presentation, which included the following:

- Caltrain's DTX engagement and the Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA) – long lasting agreement formalizing Caltrain & Transbay Joint Powers Authority's (TJPA) roles

- Points of Negotiation and next steps to include returning to the Board a few more times in 2022 with an authorized MCA for execution 4th quarter of 2022

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- Whether there would be MCAs for all involved parties or just with Caltrain
- Why Caltrain needs an MCA while other parties do not
- Whether Caltrain will be contributing funding and how much

Public comment

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, commented on joining from the new web page, trains scheduled per hour, having a higher capacity per train, and making better connections between systems.

8. Committee Member Requests

Director Heminger requested that the Diridon Development Update be brought back in the future when all three Board Committee Members can be present.

- 9. Date/Time of Next Regular WPLP Committee Meeting:** Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 3:00 pm via Zoom (additional location, if any, to be determined).

10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.