



JPB Board of Directors  
Meeting of February 2, 2023

Correspondence as of 01-20-2023

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**From:** Elvera Faria <[efaria@rogersbenefit.com](mailto:efaria@rogersbenefit.com)>  
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**Subject:** Blossom Hill Cal Train Station

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Hi there:

I made a report that all the lights were out at your lot located at 5560 Monterey Hwy San Jose CA 95138. I would like to know status of my report #854256.

In addition, there is a pile of garbage (Pic attached) that needs to be cleaned up. In fact, the whole lot needs attention, there are abandoned vehicles in this lot as well. It all needs to be addressed as it is causing a blight and safety issue in the area.

The encampment under the crossing needs to be dealt with as well, it is a safety and security issue for commuters walking to and from the lot (Pic attached).

The community would also like to request regular community policing by the San Mateo Sherriff, they need to drive thru the lot at least once a week and keep track of what is happening.

Feel free to call me with any questions.

Thank you!  
Elvera Faria  
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**From:** Low, Lori <[LowL@samtrans.com](mailto:LowL@samtrans.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blossom Hill Cal Train Station

Hi Elvera,

Thank you for reaching out. I wanted to let you know that we're looking into your concerns and will get back to you as soon as possible.

Best,  
Lori

**Lori Low**  
**Acting Manager of Government & Community Affairs**  
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Hi Lori  
Hope all is well. Just following up to see if there are any updates.

Thank you,  
Elvera

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**From:** Navdeep Dhaliwal <[DhaliwalN@samtrans.com](mailto:DhaliwalN@samtrans.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blossom Hill Cal Train Station

Dear Elvera,

Thank you for reaching out to Caltrain with your concerns. My name is Navi Dhaliwal, and I am the Government and Community Affairs Officer with the agency supporting this report #854256.

We received your email about a report that lights were out at the lot located at 5560 Monterey Hwy, San Jose, CA 95138. Our maintenance team reached out to VTA to let them know of the issue so that it can be resolved as soon as possible.

In addition, Caltrain will coordinate with responsible parties to address the facility's maintenance and encampments. We hope to find a joint solution soon to resolve these issues and the community's concerns.

Finally, Caltrain's transit police have also been made aware of this report. Safety is an utmost priority for the agency, and we appreciate you bringing this to our attention. Transit PD will check the parking lot more regularly, and we have reached out to the local jurisdiction, making them aware of the community's concerns.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at [DhaliwalN@samtrans.com](mailto:DhaliwalN@samtrans.com).

Sincerely,  
Navi Dhaliwal

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**From:** Elvera Faria <[efaria@rogersbenefit.com](mailto:efaria@rogersbenefit.com)>  
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Hi Navdeep:

Hope all is well 😊 I am just following up on the requests below and most importantly when the lights will be fixed, the parking lot is very dark at night and with the time change coming this weekend its imperative they are fixed sooner than later.

In addition, there are cars parked (could be stolen or dumped salvage) in the lot for over 3 months.

Thank you!  
Elvera

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**From:** Navdeep Dhaliwal <[DhaliwalN@caltrain.com](mailto:DhaliwalN@caltrain.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blossom Hill Cal Train Station

Hi Elvera,

Thank you for your message. I appreciate you reaching out and following up about the lighting in the lot.

As a general update, Caltrain was able to replace the lights on the pedestrian walkway and platform. We also have regular maintenance cleaning the platform daily from Monday -Friday. In addition, parking lot maintenance and landscaping work occur each Friday.

As for the lighting in the lot, Caltrain is coordinating with local agencies to ensure we can resolve this matter.

Please feel free to call me at (650) 730-6077, or I am happy to set up some time to discuss this further.

Regards,  
**Navi Dhaliwal, Government & Community Affairs Officer**  
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Hi there:

Happy New Year! I wanted to follow up on this as it is going on about 5 months that the Cal Train lot is without lighting. Is there an ETA on when the lights will be fixed?

Thank you,  
Elvera Faria

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**From:** Navdeep Dhaliwal <DhaliwalN@caltrain.com>

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**To:** Elvera Faria <efaria@rogersbenefit.com>

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**Subject:** RE: Blossom Hill Cal Train Station

Hi Elvera,

Thank you for your message. After a discussion with the City of San Jose and Caltrans, we have confirmed that Caltrans is the owner of the Blossom Hill parking lot. We have communicated and relayed your concerns to all agencies, including Caltrans and VTA. Caltrain is continuing to engage with our partners regarding the future maintenance of this parking lot, and I will be sure to inform you when there is an update to share.

Please feel free to call me at (650) 730-6077, or I am happy to set up some time to discuss this further.

Best,

**Navi Dhaliwal, Government & Community Affairs Officer**

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**Attachments:** 2023 Committee Assignments Final.pdf

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Hello,

Please see attached for the list of the City of Palo Alto Council Assignments for 2023.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,



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**2023 Council Member Assignments**

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VEENKER
STAFF LIAISON
COMMENTS

COUNCIL COMMITTEES									
CITY/SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE	x			x				Chantal Gaines	Third Thursday of each month at 8:30 AM
COUNCIL/CAO COMMITTEE	x	x			c				Meets on an as needed basis
FINANCE COMMITTEE	C			x	x			Kiely Nose	First & Third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 PM
P&S COMMITTEE			x			c	x	Chantal Gaines	Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM
RAIL COMMITTEE	C		x				x	Philip Kahmi	Third Thursday of each Month at 1:00 PM
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS									
HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD		x						Amy French	Second & Fourth Thursdays of each month at 8:30 AM
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION				x				Minka van der Zwaag	Second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION					x			Daren Anderson	Fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION						x		Elise DeMarzo	Third Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM
UTILITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION			x					Dean Batchelor	First Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM
PALO ALTO ORGANIZATIONS (CITY & LOCAL)									
BUSINESS ASSOC. OF CA. AVE		x							On hiatus
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE- BUSINESS Advocacy & Public Policy Forum					x				On hiatus
PA DOWNTOWN BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (BID)		x							On hiatus
ART CENTER FOUNDATION						x			The 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6 PM.
AVENIDAS			x						Hybrid - Meets quarterly, 4 times a year: Starting in Feb 2023 9am-noon. The last two meetings of this FY are 2/22 & 5/24
NEIGHBORS ABROAD	x							Chantal Gaines	Virtual only - 3rd Tuesday of every two months, starting February at 7:30 PM. Also Virtual morning coffee every Tuesday 8:00 AM
FRIENDS OF JR. MUSEUM & ZOO						x			Hybrid - 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:00-11:00am, with exceptions
LYTTON GARDENS							x		TBD
PALO ALTO COMMUNITY CHILD CARE				x					Virtual only - Fourth Wednesday at 5:30-7:15 PM of each month. Generally, the November meeting is held the third Wednesday, and no meetings are held in July or December.
ALTA HOUSING		Alt	x						Virtual only - 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 AM.
PA / STANFORD CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL (E_Prep)	x								No regular meeting schedule, not open to the public
SILICON VALLEY BOARD OF REALTORS						x			Meets every other Wednesday at 8:30 AM in Los Gatos, but not meeting regularly due to COVID-19
YOUTH LIAISON				Alt	x				PAYC meetings are in person every Tuesdays (with exceptions) at 5pm.
TMA LIAISON			x						Virtual only - 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:00 AM-10:00 AM
REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (1)									
VTA BOARD	x								VTA Board of Directors meets on the first Thursday of every month at 5:30 PM.
VTA - POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE		Alt				x			The board meets on the second Thursday of each month at 4:00 PM.
CALTRAIN POLICY MAKER COM. (LPMG)		Alt	x						Meets the 4th Thursday each month at 5:30 PM.
VTA GRAND BLVD TASK FORCE				x					Annual meeting only
ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVTS (ABAG)		Alt		x					General Assembly meets once a year in June
SANTA CLARA COUNTY CITIES ASSOCIATION (1) and LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE (2)		x			Alt				(1) Meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 7-9 PM (2) Second Thursdays of each month at 6-7 PM and scheduled as needed.
LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES - PENINSULA DIVISION							x		TBD
STA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT COMMISSION		x					Alt		Meets quarterly (Jan, April, July, Oct) 4th Wednesday of the month (except for April 12) at 12pm
BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY & CONSERVATION AGENCY (BAWSCA)					x		Alt		3rd Thursday of every other month at 6:30 PM.
SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY		Alt			x				Meets the 4th Thursday each month at 3:30 PM.
JOINT PA/SCVWD WATER RECYCLING COMM		Alt					x		Meetings are called by the Chair and Committee request.
STANFORD COMMUNITY RESOURCES GROUP			x						TBD
SFO AIRPORT ROUNDTABLE LIAISON		Alt			x				First Wednesdays of every other month at 7:00 PM.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA POWER AGENCY (NCPA)			x			x			(1) NCPA Commission meets at 9:30 AM usually on the 3rd or 4th Thursday each month. (2) Executive Committee meets on the same day as the Commission at 7:30 AM or 8:00 AM. (3) L&R meets quarterly at 12 PM.
(SVRIA) SILICON VALLEY REGIONAL INTEROPERABILITY AUTHORITY					x				Every other month Thursday at 4:00 pm
Ad-Hoc Committees									
HOUSING ELEMENT			C		x				Scheduled on Thursdays (varying per month) at 5:30 PM
CUBBERLEY		x		x					TBD
SUSTAINABILITY & CLIMATE ACTION PLAN	C				x		x		Virtual only, scheduled through April (may be extended)- Meets monthly on the second Thursday at 9:00 AM, unless otherwise noted.
SOBRATO		x	x						Virtual only- Generally meets every Wednesday at 8 AM- 9 AM.