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Monday, November 19, 2020 6:00 p.m.

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# **Summary Action Minutes**

Via Zoom (teleconference): https://zoom.us/j/99559522662

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ken Carbone, Chair.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Carbone, Moore, Killebrew, Adams, Padro, Thomas, Prokopoff

**IV. Public Comment** 

None.

#### V. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Moore and seconded by Councilmember Prokopoff to approve the minutes of October 16, 2020.

Ayes: Carbone, Moore, Killebrew, Adams, Padro, Thomas, Prokopoff

Noes:

Motion passed 7/0

# VI. Strobridge Avenue/Norbridge Avenue Project – Informational Item

Attachment

Rick Yeung, Alameda County Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Strobridge Avenue/Norbridge Avenue Project.

After reviewing the 2009 Strobridge/Norbridge Avenue (Burger Island) Project design there was a need to update the original design. The new design concept that has been selected will improve traffic circulation, improve traffic capacity and improve regional access.

#### **Speakers**

Rebecca Stanek-Rycoff thanked the MAC and the Public Works Agency for the new design and she is glad to hear that there will be a bike lane on Norbridge and requests that it continue through the intersection, make e/b bike lane on Norbridge protected with barriers and install a three-way stop sign at library entrance.

#### **Speakers**

Bruce Dughi stated that he is glad to see the bike lanes on Norbridge heading towards BART.

Jim Housner stated that he appreciates that Norbridge Avenue will be opened up. What will happen when cars are exiting I-580 and making a right turn on Norbridge Ave? Can the boulevard handle addition traffic? What is the impact in the greater area?

Bob Swanson stated that with the new design, when people come off the freeway, they could go directly to Castro Valley or Foothill Boulevard.

# VII. Castro Valley Wayfinding Icon Presentation – Action Item

#### Attachment

Jaimie Orfanos, Economic & Civic Development, Community Development Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Castro Valley Wayfinding Icons.

The County is developing the Eden Area Signage Plan to outline wayfinding and gateway signage for areas of urban unincorporated Alameda County, including Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, Fairview and San Lorenzo. Construction and installation of signage will occur in stages, as construction funds are identified.

After several public meetings including a subcommittee of the Castro Valley MAC, in May 2019, staff presented to the Castro Valley MAC designs for consideration: 1) hawk; 2) tree and water reflection representing Lake Chabot and 3) a redwood tree.

The Economic and Civic Development Department requests the Castro Valley MACs approval for the preferred Hawk Design selected by the subcommittee for the Castro Valley wayfinding sign.

# **Business Adaptation Grant**

The Alameda County Business Adaptation Grant prioritizes grants for small, local and emerging businesses within the unincorporated county to assist with the costs of business interruption caused by COVID-19. The grant award is \$5,000 and can be used for rent, mortgage, payroll or any other business expenses impacted by COVID-19. Businesses can register at HYPERLINK "http://www.acgov.org/board/bos\_calendar/documents/DocsAgendaReg

Ben Tripousis, Senior Project Manager, HNTB, consultant, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the South Bay Connection Project, which is conducted by the Capital Corridor Joint Powers Authority.

The South Bay Connect project is a rail improvement project that will enhance reliability, access, and travel time for Capitol Corridor riders, reduce train congestion between Oakland and San Jose and improve rail operations for passenger & freight service.

# **Project Description**

- Capitol Corridor route relocation (Oakland Coliseum to Newark)
- Two discontinued Capitol Corridor stations (Hayward & Fremont-Centerville)
- New Ardenwood intermodal station (existing Transbay bus & shuttle connections)
- No frequency increase in Capitol Corridor service or change to freight operations.
- Potential improvements to UP rail lines (Industrial Parkway & Shinn Connection)

There will be ongoing community outreach with meetings, working groups, information via mailers, social media, and a website. A draft Environmental Impact Review report will be available in the Fall of 2021 with design and construction to be completed through 2022.

# Speaker

Jim Housner stated that with the loss of the Hayward Station and not adding more trains, how are riders in Hayward benefitting from the project? Clarification is needed in some areas of the presentation.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

# VIII. Chair's Report/Council/Staff Comments

Congratulate Dolly Adams on winning a seat on the Castro Valley School Board None.

Dolly Adams will resign the Castro Valley MAC effective December 14, 2020 due to being elected to the Castro Valley School Board.

Al Padro thanked the Clerk for facilitating the meetings.

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned to January 19, 2021.

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