



Santa Clara Community Working Group Meeting

Date of Meeting: February 8, 2024 (4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.)

Location: Zoom

Attendees:

Members in Attendance: Alden Smith, Ana Vargas-Smith, Jack Morash, Ryan Morfin, & Todd Trekell

Members not in Attendance: David Cajigas, Grace Davis, John Urban, Jonathon Evans, & Ron Miller

Speaker Attendees: Bernice Alaniz (VTA), Erica Roecks (VTA), Kristen Mei (VTA), Nile Ledbetter (VTA)

Other Project Team in Attendance: Brent Pearse (VTA)

Project Team not in Attendance: N/A

Meeting Agenda:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Phase II Update
- Station Configuration Update
- Business Resource Program Update
- Early Construction Activities
- 2024 CWG Workplan Review
- CWG Member Report Out
- Next Steps

Follow-Up Items:

- Provide Ana with a list of Santa Clara businesses that may be impacted.
- Coordinate BSV representatives at upcoming Silicon Valley Central Chamber meetings

Comments, Issues, and Questions	Response
Welcome and Introduction	-
Phase II Update	-
When are we going to hear back on the risk assessment report? We are concerned about the Federal Administration changes in November.	The risk assessment is going on now; we will have results in the next week or so. Once the PMOC provides their report and identifies how much the project will cost, we will then use that number to advance in the federal funding process and the

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	determination of us getting that grant agreement will happen during the Thanksgiving timeframe. We are doing everything in our power to get this approved and finalized in the current administration.
The follow-up on Liccardo's statements and reassurance that the project is not at risk is appreciated.	Comment noted.
We understand that the Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP) for Early Works has been approved. Can you provide an update on the CTMP for the primary phase of construction?	<p>We will have several CTMPs for each area of major work. The next one we are advancing is East Portal and the 28th Street/Little Portugal station area, then the Downtown and Diridon station areas combined. They are being developed as the design advances by the contractor on the means and methods. We have a graphic we can share of where all the different CTMPs will be.</p> <p>Specific to West Portal Major construction, the internal and contracting teams must work through details before we can coordinate with stakeholders. Developing the CTMP for that work will likely begin later this year, but we will engage you and let you know the timeframe when it is time.</p>
Station Configuration Update	-
This is an incredible improvement for Santa Clara. This provides time savings and significant safety improvement.	Comment noted.
When we designed Phase 2 of Gateway Crossing, we incorporated a paseo to bring people, vitality, and interest directly to the entrance of the station. If I were to walk down this future paseo between Buildings 3 and 4 of the Gateway Crossing project, what would I see at the end on the station side? Will there be a visual element along with the garage?	<p>The side of the garage will have garage elevator access to the retail options within Gateways Crossing. The garage will serve as more of an open concept and have a visual element attached to it as well as landscaping.</p> <p>These elements are what the Design Review Committees (DRCs) have been working on, they are looking at architectural treatments on that façade and how it can be visually appealing to</p>

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	those who are walking by it. It will not be a typical concrete garage.
<p>Will there be a ride share pick-up/drop off lane?</p> <p>There might be a need for signage to direct traffic to turn left when coming down Brokaw, so they do not end up at the dead end.</p>	<p>Yes, there will be a lane dedicated to pick up/drop off along Champions Way. Signage will be included.</p> <p>Comment noted.</p>
Design Review Committees (DRCs)	-
<p>Are you able to show any of the images that are still a work in progress, or will that be for a later date?</p>	<p>That will be at a later date, once we get to a more substantial point, we will share our findings. We will have a public engagement period, both virtual and in-person, for folks to provide feedback.</p>
Business Resource Program Update	-
<p>On behalf of the Chamber are there any Santa Clara businesses in the area that are impacted that are going to be part of this resource program?</p>	<p>We do have a list of business impacted and can share the Santa Clara businesses on that list with the Chamber.</p>
Early Construction Activities	No comments.
2024 CWG Workplan	-
<p>With the upcoming elections, is your outreach team being invited to mixers in the community or are you meeting with some of the candidates?</p> <p>This time of year, a lot of cities like Sunnyvale and Milpitas are having their Breakfast with the Mayor meetings, are BSV staff engaging to make sure we are a topic on the event agendas?</p>	<p>We have not done so yet but will keep them on radar and look into it.</p>
<p>There is a Santa Clara Council Study Session covering the Project and similar topics to today on April 23 in the works.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p>
CWG Member Report	-
<p>Can you send me PDFs of the new fact sheets?</p>	<p>Staff will be providing them.</p>
<p>The Silicon Valley Central Chamber had a business council meeting, and we invited our City Manager (Jovan Grogan) and Glen Googins to give a recap of 2023 and provide hot topics of 2024 and it was</p>	<p>Update received and noted.</p>

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<p>very successful. We wanted to make sure that BSV is part of the March priority setting meeting where community leaders show up to contribute to the priority setting. It is highly recommended BSV staff attend. There will be another Business council meeting in March which is a great opportunity to present about the project.</p>	
<p>We are awaiting the start of construction and want to better understand the impacts of that. We appreciate the outreach through this group and the email blasts. Do you have any suggestions as to how to get more granular up to date information as we get closer to the start of construction and what those activities are that will be going on around the station area?</p>	<p>Closer to construction starting, we will host briefing meetings so that community members know what to expect, but we do not have an exact date.</p> <p>Please reach out to Nile Ledbetter and Erica Roecks at any time with questions.</p> <p>As part of the Construction Education and Outreach Plan (CEOP) we identified all the stakeholders and means and methods, so we will proactively reach out to stakeholders and everyone on CWGs prior to construction beginning. Outreach will be similar to what we did on Phase I, when we sent out construction notices that included the time, duration, and equipment being used. The initial on-site work will include trucking and as activities change there will be regular updates. We will let all stakeholders know and we will have mechanisms that you can be signed up for, including those activities classified as your areas of interest.</p>
<p>Next Steps</p>	<p>No comments.</p>

Next CWG Meeting: May 16th, 2024, 4:00 PM, Zoom

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