San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District

2150 Webster Street, P. O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2688



BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Please note that attachments have been added under Item 3-A.

Thursday, June 23, 2022 9:00 AM

El Cerrito del Norte BART Station, 6400 Cutting Boulevard, El Cerrito, CA 94530.

The June 23rd Board Meeting will be an in-person meeting. There will NOT be a virtual or teleconference option for public participation in the June 23rd Board Meeting.

Board of Directors

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT 2150 Webster Street, P. O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2688

BOARD MEETING AGENDA June 23, 2022 9:00 a.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 23, 2022. The meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station, 6400 Cutting Boulevard, El Cerrito, California 94530 (meet at the southern entrance to the Station, across from Hill Street). Please note that there will NOT be a virtual or teleconference option for public participation in the meeting. Masks are required in the paid areas of the station. Masks are strongly recommended in all other areas.

The Board Meeting will NOT be live-streamed or archived online.

Agenda materials will be available via Legistar at https://bart.legistar.com

If you wish to make a public comment:

1) Submit written comments via email to board.meeting@bart.gov, using "public comment" as the subject line. Your comment will be provided to the Board and will become a permanent part of the file. Please submit your comments as far in advance as possible. Emailed comments must be received before 4:00 p.m. on June 22, 2022, in order to be included in the record.

2) Attend the meeting in person and provide comments when provided the opportunity to do so.

Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person.

Any action requiring more than a majority vote for passage will be so noted.

Items placed under "consent calendar" are considered routine and will be received, enacted, approved, or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from a Director or from a member of the audience.

Please refrain from wearing scented products (perfume, cologne, after-shave, etc.) to this meeting, as there may be people in attendance susceptible to environmental illnesses.

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Please submit your requests to the District Secretary via email to BoardofDirectors@bart.gov; in person or U.S. mail at 2150 Webster Street, 10th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612; or telephone 510-464-6083.

April B. A. Quintanilla Acting District Secretary

Regular Meeting of the

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The purpose of the Board Meeting is to consider and take such action as the Board may desire in connection with:

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Board Meeting will be called to order outside the southern entrance to the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station, across from Hill Street.

A. Roll Call.

2. <u>REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT</u>

3. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

 A. Senate Bill 917 (Becker) - Seamless Transit Transformation Act. Board requested to authorize. (Materials are expected to be available on Wednesday, June 22, 2022.)

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      Attachments:
      Senate Bill 917 (Becker) – Seamless Transit Transformation

      Act – Memo
      Senate Bill 917 (Becker) – Seamless Transit Transformation

      Act – Bill Packet
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4. PUBLIC COMMENT - 15 Minutes

(An opportunity for members of the public to address the Board of Directors on matters under their jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person.)

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Report of Activities, including Updates of Operational, Administrative, and Roll Call for Introductions Items.

6. <u>INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS</u>

- A. John Gioia, District 1 Supervisor, Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors.
- B. Gabe Quinto, Mayor of The City of El Cerrito.
- C. Chris Kelley, Council Member, City of Hercules and Chair, Contra Costa Transportation Authority Board.

- D. Sean Moss, Planning Manager, The City of El Cerrito.
- E. Robert del Rosario, Director of Service Development and Planning, Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit).
- F. Jamie Hiteshew, Director of Development, Holliday Development.

7. <u>ADMINISTRATION ITEMS</u>

Director Simon, Chairperson

NO ITEMS.

8. ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS ITEMS

Director Dufty, Chairperson

NO ITEMS.

9. PLANNING, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ACCESS, AND LEGISLATION ITEMS

Director Foley, Chairperson

NO ITEMS.

10. BOARD MATTERS

- A. Tour of the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station. For information.
 - i. Modernization of El Cerrito del Norte Station and Funding Update.
 - ii. Transit-Oriented Development Update: El Cerrito del Norte and
 - El Cerrito Plaza BART Stations.
 - iii. Regional Transit Coordination Update.

Attachments: Tour of the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station - Memo Tour of the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station - Handout

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

DATE: June 21, 2022

FROM: General Manager

SUBJECT: Senate Bill 917 (Becker) Seamless Transit Transformation Act

At the June 23, 2022, Board of Directors meeting, staff will present Senate Bill (SB) 917, the Seamless Transit Transformation Act, for your consideration and action.

The Board currently has a *Support if Amended* position on SB 917. Staff is recommending a revised Board position of *Support* based on an analysis of the most recent amendments from June 20, which addresses the District's remaining concerns.

Attached is staff's analysis and text for SB 917 as amended. A draft Board motion is provided below.

If you have any questions, please contact Rodd Lee, Assistant General Manager of External Affairs, at (510) 464-6235.

DocuSigned by: Robert Powers BAA357BD7F1A4FF

Robert M. Powers

Attachments

cc: Board Appointed Officers Deputy General Manager Executive Staff

DRAFT MOTION: The Board of Directors supports SB 917.

SB 917 (Becker) – Staff Update and Recommendation

TITLE: Seamless Transit Transformation Act AUTHOR: Senator Becker (D-Menlo Park) SPONSORS: Bay Area Council, Seamless Bay Area, TransForm CURRENT POSITION: Support if Amended STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

BACKGROUND/UPDATE: Senate Bill (SB) 917 would enact the Seamless Transit Transformation Act to improve coordination and integration among the Bay Area's 27 transit operators. On March 24, 2022, the Board adopted a *Support if Amended* position on SB 917 and authorized staff to pursue an outlined set of amendments with the author's office. Since that time, BART staff, in collaboration with staff from other Bay Area transit operators and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), worked with the author's office and Seamless Bay Area on two rounds of bill amendments.

On June 9, the Board was provided an update on amendments made to the bill on April 18. Staff also identified continued areas of concerns for the District including conflicts with the Board's fare setting authority, an ill-defined regional transit coordinating council, and a desire to see language referencing the Federal Title VI requirements transit agencies must comply with prior to making a fare or service change.

Following continued discussions with transit operators, MTC, and the bill sponsors, the author's office submitted a second round of amendments, which came into print on June 20. A summary of SB 917, as amended on June 20, is below.

Regional Transit Coordinating Council (Section 4)

• Transit agencies in the region shall establish a regional transit coordinating council (RTCC) to undertake designated activities. The RTCC shall consist of executive directors or general managers, or their designees, representing transit agencies as well as the executive director of MTC, or their designee.

Connected Network Plan (Section 5)

- MTC, in coordination with the RTCC, shall develop a Connected Network Plan (the Plan) on or before July 31, 2024, subject to an appropriation in the State Budget or the availability of other funding provided for this purpose. In the absence of an appropriation or other sufficient funding, MTC shall complete the Plan by December 31, 2025.
- New language specifies the Plan shall identify a transit priority network for the region and include recommendations on the following:
 - An approach to coordinating with right-of-way owners, including the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and local jurisdictions, on the development and implementation of transit priority improvements on corridors, arterials, and roadways where public transit operates.
 - Updates to Caltrans design standards and policies to include transit priority improvements.
- The Plan shall identify service-level standards for connected network transit corridors and hubs in the region. The Plan shall also identify operating and capital funding needs and its potential impacts to farebox revenue.
- Language is added to clarify that transit agencies shall fulfill all applicable requirements under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, pertaining to changes to fares or service, in implementing any provisions of the Plan.

Integrated Transit Fare Structure (Section 6) Development and Adoption

- Amendments create a revised structure for the development and adoption of an integrated transit fare structure that preserves transit agency board authority. Specifically:
 - On or before December 31, 2023, the RTCC, in coordination with MTC, shall develop and adopt an integrated transit fare structure, which shall be submitted to MTC for review and approval.
 - After adoption by MTC, each of the region's agencies shall present the fare structure to its governing board for consideration within 90 days.
 - The integrated fare structure shall become effective on or before July 1, 2024, if all Title VI requirements are fulfilled by agencies.
 - The RTCC shall review the integrated fare structure, in consultation with MTC, no less than once per year to determine if updates are needed and recommend changes. Any changes recommended by the RTCC shall be approved by MTC and transit agency boards.
- The integrated fare structure *shall* include common definitions for adults, youth, seniors, persons with disabilities, and other categories and *may* include common transfer rules for local fares, such as the duration of transfer validity.
- On or before October 1 of each year, each of the region's transit agencies shall notify the RTCC of any proposed fare changes in order to facilitate changes to the integrated fare structure for the following year.

Pilot for No-Cost Local and Reduced-Cost Regional Transfers

- New language is inserted regarding a pilot program for no-cost local transit service transfers and reduced-cost regional service transfers:
 - On or before July 1, 2023, the RTCC, in coordination with MTC, shall establish a pilot program to develop and adopt a common system of no-cost local and reduced-cost regional transfers for a period of at least one year and at most three years.
 - On or before October 30, 2023, MTC shall allocate funding to offset the anticipated annual financial impact for the pilot program.
 - The governing board of each agency in the region shall approve of participation in the pilot program upon the fulfillment of all applicable requirements under Title VI.
 - The pilot period shall commence no later than January 1, 2024, or upon deployment of Next Generation Clipper, whichever is sooner.
 - If the pilot period is longer than 18 months, an agency may withdraw from the pilot program if it is determined by MTC, in coordination with the RTCC, that insufficient funding exists to offset the annual financial impact of the pilot program.
 - A report evaluating the pilot shall be prepared by MTC, in consultation with the RTCC, and be presented at a public meeting at least 90 days prior to the conclusion of the pilot program. If the report includes recommendations for the continuation of a common system of no-cost local transit service transfers and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers, MTC shall propose a long-term funding plan, informed by data generated during the pilot.
 - The common system of no-cost local and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers may be incorporated into the integrated fare structure upon the conclusion of the pilot period.

Pilots for a Common Fare Structure for Regional Transit Service and a Multiagency Pass

- Amendments specify that on or before March 31, 2024, the RTCC shall coordinate with MTC to develop an estimate of the anticipated annual financial impact of implementing the following policies:
 - A common fare structure for regional transit services.
 - A multi-agency pass, which may include a cap, that allows access to local and regional transit services on a daily or monthly basis. The requirement that the pass offer access to local and

regional services for one set price was deleted to allow for additional flexibility in pass products.

- Members of the RTCC that provide regional service shall develop, in coordination with MTC, the common fare structure for regional service and present a draft of the policy at a public meeting at least 30 days before adoption.
- By January 1, 2032, if MTC or agencies secure sufficient funding to offset the financial impact to implement a multiagency pass over a three-year period, that policy shall be incorporated into the integrated transit fare structure on a pilot basis for three years.
- If MTC or agencies secure sufficient funding to offset the ongoing annual net cost to implement a common fare structure for regional transit services over a three-year period, that policy shall be incorporated into the integrated transit fare structure on a pilot basis for three years.
- A transit agency's participation in either pilot program shall be subject to approval by its governing board.
- The timing of implementation for the common regional fare structure shall be determined by the members of the RTCC that provide regional service, in coordination with MTC.
- MTC shall prepare a report, in consultation with the RTCC, at the conclusion of the second year of a pilot program, to be presented at a public meeting at least 180 days before the conclusion of the pilot program. If the report includes recommendations for the continuation of a common regional fare structure or multi-agency pass, MTC shall propose a long-term funding plan.

Preservation of Transit Agency Governing Authority

In addition to provisions described above, amendments acknowledge the following:

- Nothing in Section 6 of the bill, regarding fare structures, shall be construed to interfere in or dilute the powers, duties and responsibilities of transit agencies provided in the California Constitution's charter city home rule provisions or in other statutes that ascribe these powers, duties and responsibilities to transit agencies.
- In implementing any provision of the Connected Network Plan (Section 5) or integrated fare structure (Section 6), transit agencies must fulfill all requirements under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 for changes to fares or service; if an agency requires additional time to complete these requirements, deadlines for implementation may be extended by the RTCC or MTC.
- Nothing in Section 6 of the bill shall prohibit a transit agency from offering its own distinct free or discounted fare program for the categories of riders for which the integrated fare structure shall develop common definitions: adults, youth, seniors, persons with disabilities, and other categories.

Mapping and Wayfinding (Section 7)

- Amendments specify that MTC, in coordination with the RTCC, shall, on or before July 1, 2025, develop a standardized regional transit mapping and wayfinding system.
- Technical changes state the regional transit mapping and wayfinding system shall be accessible and usable by people with disabilities.

Real Time Transit Data/Open Data Standards (Section 8)

• Amendments allow for an agency to share data with MTC in a format approved by MTC on an interim basis, as some agencies may need additional time to comply with the standards established on or before July 1, 2023.

Compliance with Act and Withholding State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds

• Amendments specify that, if an agency is unable to comply with provisions within Sections 6 through 8 of the bill due to demonstrated negative impacts to existing service levels, it shall submit to MTC a request for additional funding or an exemption from requirements.

DISTRICT CONCERNS ADDRESSED: Considering the progress made to address concerns raised by the District and other transit operators, staff recommend the Board adopt a *Support* position on SB 917.

Transit Agency Board Approvals - As amended, SB 917 clearly identifies the role transit agency governing boards will play in approving various elements of the integrated transit fare structure. The bill was previously silent on the role of agency boards and granted MTC most of the decision-making authority. The bill now specifies transit agency governing boards shall approve the initial integrated transit fare structure developed by the RTCC and MTC, any future changes to the structure, and an agency's participation in any of the proposed pilot programs. Language is also added to clarify that nothing within the integrated transit fare structure shall be construed to interfere in or dilute the powers, duties and responsibilities of agencies provided in the California Constitution's charter city home rule provisions or other enabling statutes.

Definition and Authority of the RTCC – Recent amendments seek to define and recast the role of the RTCC. Initially, staff had concerns the RTCC was not well defined, yet responsible for coordinating with MTC on several of the bill's mandates. A new definition of the RTCC was drafted by a working group of transit agencies and allows an agency and MTC to have representation. The role of the RTCC was also substantially amended to make it the lead on establishing the integrated transit fare structure and coordinating the various fare pilot programs.

Federal Title VI Requirements – Transit agencies requested amendments of the author to recognize the Federal Title VI requirements agencies must comply with when proposing fare or service changes. These requirements include conducting a Title VI Equity Analysis, public outreach, and a public hearing process, which should factor into any regionally coordinated fares or service. It was not intended to have SB 917 conflict with federal transit law; therefore, amendments clarify transit agencies and MTC shall fulfill all applicable Title VI requirements prior to implementing any of the bill's mandates. If agencies require additional time to comply with these requirements, operative dates may be extended by the RTCC or MTC.

Funding - The identification of funding to implement the bill's requirements has been an ongoing concern expressed to the author. Amendments make the bill's fare pilots contingent on the RTCC and MTC developing estimates of the anticipated annual financial impacts and there being sufficient funding to offset the annual net costs. Each of the pilot programs require an evaluation report, and if there is a recommendation to continue any of the individual fare policies a long-term funding plan shall be proposed.

KNOWN SUPPORT/OPPOSITION: Support: Bay Area Council (co-sponsor), Seamless Bay Area (cosponsor), TransForm (co-sponsor), 350 Bay Area Action, 350 Silicon Valley, 50 Acterra Action for A Healthy Planet, Alameda County Democratic Central Committee, Arc Alternative and Renewable Construction LLC, Association for Commuter Transportation, California YIMBY, Center for Independent Living, INC., City of Half Moon Bay, City of Oakland, City of San Mateo, Climate Reality Project: Silicon Valley, East Bay for Everyone, East Bay Housing Organizations, East Bay Transit Riders Union, Elders Climate Action, NorCal and SoCal Chapters, Friends of Caltrain, Friends of Smart, Generation Housing, Greenbelt Alliance, Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County, Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Menlo Spark, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, North Bay Leadership Council, Pacifica Climate Committee, San Francisco League of Conservation Voters, SF.CITI, Silicon Valley Chamber Coalition, Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action, Spur, Sustainable Marin, Sustainable Silicon Valley, Walk San Francisco, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club, Youth Leadership Institute San Mateo

Opposition: None on file.

STATUS: Passed and the Senate Floor (31-3) on May 23. Currently scheduled for a hearing in the Assembly Committee on Transportation on June 27.

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 20, 2022

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 18, 2022

SENATE BILL

No. 917

Introduced by Senator Becker (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Quirk) (Coauthors: Senators Dodd and Wiener) (Coauthors: Assembly Members Lee, Levine, Mullin, and Ting)

February 3, 2022

An act to amend Section 66502 of, and to add Sections 66513.4, 66513.5, 66516.1, 66516.7, and 66516.8 to, the Government Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 917, as amended, Becker. Seamless Transit Transformation Act. Existing law creates the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, as a local area planning agency and not as a part of the executive branch of the state government, to provide comprehensive regional transportation planning for the region comprised of the City and County of San Francisco and the Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma.

This bill would require the commission to develop and adopt a Connected Network Plan, adopt an integrated transit fare structure, develop a comprehensive, standardized regional transit mapping and wayfinding system, develop an implementation and maintenance strategy and funding plan, and establish open data standards, as specified. The bill would require the region's transit agencies, as defined, to comply with those established integrated fare structure, regional transit mapping and wayfinding system, implementation and maintenance strategy and funding plan, and open data standards, as provided.

This bill would require the transit agencies in the region to establish a regional transit coordinating council and would require the council to, among other things, develop and adopt an integrated transit fare structure. The bill would require the council to submit the integrated transit fare structure to the commission for approval and, after approval, would require each transit agency in the region to present the structure to its board for consideration.

Under existing law, moneys in the Public Transportation Account are continuously appropriated to the Controller for allocation to transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions, and the San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board for purposes of the State Transit Assistance Program. Existing law requires the Controller to allocate those moneys to those entities based on population and qualifying revenue, as specified.

This bill would require the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to notify a transit agency if the commission determines that the transit agency is out of compliance with the integrated *transit* fare structure, regional transit mapping and wayfinding system, implementation and maintenance strategy and funding plan, or open data standards described above, and would require the commission to indicate what steps are needed to comply. If a transit agency does not comply with the compliance parameters set by the commission or if the commission rejects the transit agency's request for additional funding or for an exemption, the bill would make that transit agency ineligible to receive a portion of those moneys in an amount to be determined by the commission. The bill would require a transit agency to regain access to any withheld funds upon demonstration of compliance.

To the extent that this bill would mandate that a transit agency establish a new program or provide a higher level of service as part of an existing program, and by imposing additional duties on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the
 Seamless Transit Transformation Act.

3 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

4 (a) Transit connectivity and integration in the nine-county San
5 Francisco Bay area has been a longstanding challenge. Legislative
6 efforts to mandate and incentivize coordination between dozens

7 of disparate transit agencies date back to 1996 and earlier.

8 (b) Low-income residents, many of whom have experienced

9 displacement and have long commutes requiring many transfers,10 are among the most adversely affected by the fragmentation,11 experiencing a significant financial burden from needing to pay

multiple separate transit fares or being forced into costly vehicleownership.

(c) As of 2017, only 5 percent of all trips in the San Francisco
Bay area were made using transit. Per-capita transit ridership in
the region decreased 12 percent between 1991 and 2016. "Plan
Bay Area 2050," prepared by the Metropolitan Transportation

18 Commission, has identified that to achieve climate, equity, and

19 economic goals, the share of commuters who travel by transit must

20 increase from 13 percent in 2015 to at least 20 percent by 2050.

(d) The COVID-19 pandemic has led to further ridership
declines, due to both dramatic shifts in travel patterns and
significant transit service cuts across the region. As the region
emerges from the pandemic, transit ridership is recovering much
more slowly than the economy as a whole; as of November 2021,

transit ridership had recovered to just 40 percent of pre-COVIDlevels, while traffic on a majority of bay area bridges exceeded 90

28 percent of pre-COVID levels.

29 (e) In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, in May 2020, the

30 Metropolitan Transportation Commission convened a 32-member

31 Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force composed of transit

32 agency managers, advocates, and elected officials, to coordinate

33 transit recovery efforts and identify reforms that would position

34 the bay area's transit system to emerge from the pandemic stronger

1 and more connected than before and to help recover and grow 2 transit ridership.

3 (f) In July 2021, the task force unanimously approved the Bay

4 Area Transit Transformation Action Plan, which included 27
5 actions to increase ridership and improve fares and payment,
6 customer access to information, transit network management,

7 accessibility, and funding.

8 (g) In November 2021, the region's Fare Integration Task Force, 9 co-led by Bay Area transit agencies and the Metropolitan

Transportation Commission, unanimously adopted a policy vision
 statement supporting the advancement further development of key

fare integration policies, policies pending available resources and

13 *technical considerations*, including deployment of an all-agency

14 transit pass, reduced cost transfers, and a refined vision for a

15 common fare structure for regional transit services.

(h) Although the Legislature has generally authorized the 16 17 Metropolitan Transportation Commission to set rules and 18 regulations related to transit fare coordination and transit 19 connectivity, to-ensure preserve local transit agency board authorities and responsibilities, while ensuring that the 20 21 recommendations emerging from the Bay Area Transit 22 Transformation Action Plan are implemented by the region's transit agencies in a timely manner and for the benefit of current and 23 24 future transit riders, this act is necessary.

25 SEC. 3. Section 66502 of the Government Code is amended 26 to read:

66502. (a) There is hereby created, as a local area planning
agency and not as a part of the executive branch of the state
government, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to
provide comprehensive regional transportation planning for the
region comprised of the City and County of San Francisco and the
Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo,
Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma.

34 (b) For purposes of this title, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Cable car service" means the historic cable car system
operated by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency.
(2) "Commission" means the Metropolitan Transportation

38 Commission.

39 (3) "Region" means the region described in subdivision (a).

1 (4) "Local transit service" means bus and light rail transit service

within or adjacent to a transit agency's defined service area within
the region, excluding bus services that cross a toll bridge over San
Francisco Bay.

5 (5) "Regional transit service" means all heavy rail, commuter 6 rail, ferry, or express bus services, as designated by a transit 7 agency, and bus services that cross a toll bridge over San Francisco 8 Bay. Regional transit service does not include intercity passenger 9 rail or services operated by the San Joaquin Regional Rail 10 Commission.

11 (6) "Transit agency" means a public agency that meets all of 12 the following requirements:

(A) The public agency provides surface transportation service
to the general public, complementary paratransit service to persons
with disabilities as required pursuant to Section 12143 of Title 42
of the United States Code, or similar transportation service to
people with disabilities or the elderly.

(B) The public agency operates the service service, as described
in subparagraph (A) paragraph (1), (4), or (5), by bus, rail, ferry,
or other conveyance on a fixed route, demand response, or
otherwise regularly available basis.

(C) The public agency generally charges a fare for the service *service, as* described in subparagraph (A). paragraph (1), (4), or
(5).

25 SEC. 4. Section 66513.4 is added to the Government Code, to 26 read:

66513.4. The transit agencies in the region shall establish a
regional transit coordinating council to undertake the activities
designated for the council in this title. The council shall consist
of executive directors or general managers, or their designees,
representing transit agencies, as well as the executive director of

32 the commission, or their designee.

33 <u>SEC. 4.</u>

34 *SEC. 5.* Section 66513.5 is added to the Government Code, to 35 read:

66513.5. (a) The commission, in-consultation coordination
with the regional transit coordinating council established pursuant
to Section-29142.4 of the Public Utilities Code, 66513.4, shall
develop and adopt a Connected Network Plan. Subject to

40 appropriation in the annual Budget Act or the availability of private

1 nonstate other funding provided for this purpose, the commission

2 shall complete the Connected Network Plan on or before March

3 July 31, 2024. In the absence of an appropriation in the annual

4 Budget Act or *other sufficient* funding made available by a private

5 nonstate source, available for this purpose, the commission shall

6 complete the Connected Network Plan by December 31, 2025.

7 (b) The Connected Network Plan shall do all of the following:

8 (1) Be consistent with the State Rail Plan required pursuant to

9 Section 14036 and the California Transportation Plan updated

10 pursuant to Section 65071. 65071 within the timeframe established

11 by the Connected Network Plan.

12 (2) Identify connected network transit corridors and hubs of 13 regional significance across the region.

(3) Establish Identify a transit priority network for the region
that-identifies does both of the following:

(A) *Identifies* corridors that will most benefit from improvements
that support fast and reliable transit service that avoids conflict
with traffic congestion.

19 (B) Includes recommendations regarding both of the following:

20 (i) An approach for coordination with right-of-way owners,

21 including the Department of Transportation and local jurisdictions,

22 on the development and implementation of transit priority 23 improvements on corridors, arterials, and roadways where public

transit operates.

(ii) Updates to Department of Transportation design standards
and policies to include transit priority improvements.

(4) Identify service-level standards for different parts of the
network connected network transit corridors and hubs identified
pursuant to paragraph (2) to optimize access across the region,
particularly for low-income and transit-dependent populations,

31 corresponding to different density and land use conditions,32 including by doing both of the following:

33 (A) Identifying target travel times between key transit hubs,

service frequencies, and operating hours for weekdays, Saturdays,and Sundays.

36 (B) Quantifying access to jobs, housing, and major regional

37 amenities, including, but not limited to, educational institutions,

38 medical facilities, and major recreational destinations. amenities.

1 (5) Identify operating and capital funding needs associated with

2 the Connected Network-Plan. Plan and its potential impacts to
3 farebox revenue.

4 (c) In implementing any provision of this section, transit 5 agencies shall fulfill all applicable requirements under Title VI of 6 the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352) regarding

7 *service and fare changes.*

8 <u>SEC. 5.</u>

9 SEC. 6. Section 66516.1 is added to the Government Code, to 10 read:

11 66516.1. (a) (1) Consistent with Section 66516, on On or before December 31, 2023, the commission regional transit 12 13 coordinating council, in coordination with the commission, shall develop and adopt an integrated transit fare structure that will 14 15 become effective on or before July 1, 2024. The integrated transit fare structure shall be developed in consultation with the regional 16 17 transit coordinating council established pursuant to Section 29142.4 18 of the Public Utilities Code. structure, and shall submit the 19 integrated transit fare structure for review and approval by the commission. After approval by the commission, each of the region's 20 21 transit agencies shall present the integrated transit fare structure 22 to its governing board for consideration within 90 days. The 23 integrated transit fare structure shall become effective on or before 24 July 1, 2024. 25 (2) The commission, in consultation with the regional transit 26 coordinating council described in paragraph (1), shall annually 27 review the integrated transit fare structure to determine if updates 28 are necessary, and shall make updates based on the review and 29 consultation. 30 (3) Each of the region's transit agencies shall comply with the 31 integrated transit fare structure. 32 (2) The regional transit coordinating council, in consultation with the commission, shall review the integrated transit fare 33 34 structure to determine if updates are necessary no less than once

per year, and shall recommend updates as needed based on that
 review and consultation. Any changes to the integrated transit fare
 structure recommended by the regional transit coordinating council

38 shall be subject to the approval of the commission and the board

39 of each transit agency.

1 (b) (1) The integrated *transit* fare structure shall include all of

2 the following: common definitions for adults, youth, seniors,
3 persons with disabilities, and other categories.

4 (1) No-cost local transit service transfers and reduced-cost

regional transit service transfers, regardless of whether transfers
 are between the same transit agency or multiple transit agencies,

7 except if the transfer is to a cable car service. In the case of a

8 transfer to a cable car service, the San Francisco Municipal

9 Transportation Agency may determine the appropriate transfer 10 fare policy.

11 (2) Common transfer rules for local fares, such as means for 12 validation.

(3) Common definitions for adults, youth, seniors, persons with
 disabilities, and other categories.

(2) The integrated transit fare structure may include common
transfer rules for local fares, such as the duration of transfer
validity.

(c) (1) On or before July 1, 2023, the regional transit 18 19 coordinating council, in coordination with the commission, shall 20 establish a pilot program to develop and adopt, for the purposes 21 of a period of at least one year and no more than three years, a 22 common system of no-cost local transit service transfers and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers, regardless of 23 24 whether transfers are between the same transit agency or multiple 25 transit agencies, except if the transfer is to a cable car service. In the case of a transfer to a cable car service, the San Francisco 26 27 *Municipal Transportation Agency may determine the appropriate* 28 transfer fare policy. The governing board of each transit agency 29 in the region shall approve participation in the common system of 30 no-cost local transit service transfers and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers for the pilot program upon the fulfillment 31 32 of all applicable requirements of Title VI of the federal Civil Rights 33 Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352). If the pilot program is longer 34 than 18 months, a transit agency may withdraw from the pilot 35 program after 18 months if it is determined by the commission, in coordination with the regional transit coordinating council, that 36

37 insufficient funding exists to offset the annual financial impact of

38 the pilot program.

1 (2) On or before October 30, 2023, the commission shall 2 allocate funding to offset the anticipated annual financial impact 3 for the pilot program established pursuant to paragraph (1).

4 (3) The pilot program established pursuant to paragraph (1) 5 shall commence no later than January 1, 2024, or upon deployment 6 of the Next Generation Clipper Fare Payment System, whichever 7 is sooner.

8 (4) The commission, in consultation with the regional transit 9 coordinating council, shall prepare a report evaluating the pilot 10 program established pursuant to paragraph (1) and shall present 11 the report at a public meeting at least 90 days before the conclusion 12 of the pilot program. If the report includes recommendations for 13 the continuation of a common system of no-cost local transit service 14 transfers and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers, the 15 commission shall also propose a long-term funding plan, informed by data generated during the pilot program, in the report. 16

17 (5) The common system of no-cost local transit service transfers 18 and reduced-cost regional transit service transfers may be 19 incorporated into the integrated transit fare structure upon the 20 conclusion of the pilot program. 21

(e)

22 (d) On or before March 31, 2024, the commission, in 23 consultation with the regional transit coordinating council described 24 in subdivision (a), council, in coordination with the commission, 25 shall develop an estimate of the anticipated annual financial impact 26 associated with implementing each of the following policies: 27 (1) A common fare structure for regional transit services-by

28 which trips involving one or more regional transit services are 29 priced equivalently. developed pursuant to this paragraph. The 30 member transit agencies of the regional transit coordinating 31 council that provide regional transit services shall develop the 32 common fare structure for regional transit services in coordination

33 with the commission and shall present a draft of the policy at a 34 public meeting at least 30 days before its adoption.

35 (2) A multiagency pass, which may include a cap, that allows 36 access to local transit services and regional transit services provided 37 by the region's transit agencies on a daily or monthly basis for one 38 set price, basis, except for paratransit service as required by Section 39 37.121 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

40 (d) If

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(e) On or before January 1, 2032, if the commission or transit 1 2 agencies secure sufficient additional funding to offset the annual 3 net cost based on the financial impact estimate prepared pursuant 4 to subdivision (e)(d) to implement a multiagency pass, as described 5 in paragraph (2) of subdivision (c), (d), over a three-year period, that policy shall be incorporated into the integrated regional transit 6 7 fare structure and implemented on a pilot basis for three years. 8 Participation in the pilot by a transit agency shall be subject to 9 approval by its governing board. 10 (e) (f) If the commission or transit agencies secure sufficient 11 12 additional funding to offset the ongoing annual net cost based on the financial impact estimate prepared pursuant to subdivision-(c) 13 14 (d) to implement a common fare structure for regional transit 15 services as described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (c), (d), over a three-year period, that policy shall be incorporated into the 16 17 integrated regional transit fare structure and be implemented on 18 a pilot basis for three years. The commission shall develop this 19 common fare structure for regional transit services in consultation 20 with the regional transit coordinating council described in 21 subdivision (a) and shall present a draft of the policy at a public 22 meeting at least 30 days before its adoption. The timing of when 23 the policy shall take effect shall be determined by the commission in consultation with the regional transit coordinating council 24 25 described in subdivision (a). the member transit agencies of the 26 regional transit coordinating council that provide regional transit

services, in coordination with the commission. Participation inthe pilot by a transit agency that provides regional transit service

29 shall be subject to approval by its governing board.

30 (g) At the conclusion of the second year of each three-year pilot 31 program established pursuant to subdivision (e) or (f), the 32 commission, in consultation with the regional transit coordinating council, shall prepare a report evaluating the pilot program and 33 34 shall present the report at a public meeting at least 180 days before 35 the conclusion of the pilot program. If the report includes 36 recommendations for the continuation of a common fare structure 37 for regional transit services or a multiagency pass, as applicable, 38 the commission shall include a long-term funding plan for the 39 continuation of that activity in the report. 40 (f)

(h) On or before October 1 of each year, each of the region's
 transit agencies shall notify the commission regional transit
 coordinating council of any proposed change to its fares in order
 to facilitate the alignment of fare policies across the region's transit
 agencies in changes to the integrated transit fare structure for the
 following year. The commission shall disseminate that information
 to all of the region's transit agencies.

8 (g)

9 (i) Transit agencies shall make every effort to comply with the 10 requirements of this section without affecting transit service levels. 11 If the commission determines that one of the region's transit 12 agencies is out of compliance with the integrated *transit* fare 13 structure described in subdivision (a), then the commission shall 14 first notify the transit agency of noncompliance, and indicate what 15 steps are needed to comply. If a transit agency is unable to comply 16 due to a lack of funding, demonstrated negative impacts to existing 17 transit service levels, the transit agency shall submit a request for 18 additional funding or for an exemption from the requirements of 19 this section to the commission for approval. If the agency does not 20 comply with the compliance parameters set by the commission or 21 if the commission rejects the transit agency's request for additional 22 funding or for an exemption, that transit agency shall not be eligible 23 to receive a portion of funds pursuant to Section 99313 or 99314 24 of the Public Utilities Code in an amount to be determined by the 25 commission. The transit agency shall regain access to any withheld

26 funds upon demonstration of compliance.

27 (h)

(j) This section does not prohibit a transit agency from offering
 distinct free or discounted transit fares for the categories of riders
 described in paragraph-(3) (1) of subdivision (b).

(k) In implementing any provision of this section, transit
agencies and the commission shall fulfill all applicable
requirements under Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964
(Public Law 88-352) regarding service and fare changes. If a
transit agency requires additional time to comply with those
requirements, the operative dates in this section may be extended

37 by the regional transit coordinating council or the commission.

38 (1) The operation of a transportation system is a core municipal

39 affair as enumerated in Section 9 of Article XI of the California

40 Constitution. Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere

in or dilute the powers, duties, and responsibilities provided by the California Constitution's charter city home rule provisions.

3 (m) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with

4 or dilute the powers, duties, and responsibilities granted to transit

5 agencies, including those described in paragraph (6) of subdivision

6 (b) of Section 66502 and those set forth in Division 10

(c) (*c)* Solution (*c)* (*c)*

9 (n) For purposes of this section, "regional transit coordinating

10 council" means the regional transit coordinating council 11 established pursuant to Section 66513.4.

12 SEC. 6.

13 SEC. 7. Section 66516.7 is added to the Government Code, to 14 read:

15 66516.7. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both of the 16 following:

(1) The lack of a universal regional transit map and commonwayfinding format at transit stops and stations in the region addsto the fragmented experience transit riders encounter, especially

20 when planning a trip across multiple transit agencies.

- (2) Research has shown that the way transit lines and stations
 are displayed on maps strongly influences how travelers use the
 system.
- 24 (b) (1) The commission, in <u>consultation</u> coordination with the

regional transit coordinating council established pursuant to Section
 29142.4 of the Public Utilities Code, 66513.4, shall, on or before

27 July 1, 2025, do both of the following:

28 (A) Develop a comprehensive, standardized regional transit

29 mapping and wayfinding system, including standards and resources 30 to-display *convey* information on print, digital, and interactive

31 media, common branding, and a shared digital mapping platform.

32 The system shall identify the standards that are required and the

33 standards that allow for customization, including the manner in

34 which existing transit agency branding may be permitted. The

35 system shall-assess and identify assess, identify, and incorporate

36 standards required for wayfinding information to be accessible

37 and usable by people with disabilities.

38 (B) Develop an implementation and maintenance strategy and

39 funding plan to deploy the comprehensive, standardized regional

transit mapping and wayfinding system. The commission may
 adopt a phased deployment of the system.

3 (2) Any new investments to mapping and wayfinding, including 4 replacement and upgrades, made by any of the region's transit 5 agencies shall adhere to the standardized regional transit mapping 6 and wayfinding system and implementation and maintenance 7 strategy and funding plan developed pursuant to this subdivision. 8 (c) Each of the region's transit agencies shall use only the 9 standardized regional transit mapping and wayfinding system for 10 all new mapping and wayfinding investments, including 11 replacements and upgrades, made on or after January 1, 2026, 12 unless the commission adopts a schedule that sets out an alternate 13 deployment timeline.

(d) In-consultation coordination with the regional transit
coordinating council described in subdivision (b), the commission
shall update the standardized regional transit mapping and
wayfinding system and implementation and maintenance strategy
and funding plan, as needed.

(e) Nothing in this section shall prevent a transit agency from
displaying their own map on a temporary basis if the regional
transit mapping and wayfinding system is unavailable or incapable
of addressing the need due to unforeseen circumstances.

23 (f) Transit agencies shall make every effort to comply with the 24 requirements of this section without affecting existing *transit* 25 service levels. If the commission determines that one of the 26 region's transit agencies is out of compliance with subdivision (b), then the commission shall first notify the transit agency of 27 28 noncompliance, and indicate what steps are needed to comply. If 29 a transit agency is unable to comply due to a lack of funding, 30 demonstrated negative impacts to existing transit service levels, 31 the transit agency shall submit a request for additional funding or 32 for an exemption from the requirements of this section to the 33 commission for approval. If the agency does not comply with the 34 compliance parameters set by the commission or if the commission 35 rejects the transit agency's request for additional funding or for 36 an exemption, that transit agency shall not be eligible to receive a 37 portion of funds pursuant to Section 99313 or 99314 of the Public 38 Utilities Code in an amount to be determined by the commission. 39 The transit agency shall regain access to any withheld funds upon 40 demonstration of compliance.

1 <u>SEC. 7.</u>

2 SEC. 8. Section 66516.8 is added to the Government Code, to 3 read:

4 66516.8. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the 5 following:

6 (1) Studies have shown that travelers view the wait time at a 7 transit stop as the most inconvenient part of the transit journey 8 experience.

9 (2) Despite best efforts by the region's transit agencies to adhere 10 to their published schedules, the conditions on the roadway, 11 including congestion and other unplanned delays, create 12 unpredictability for on-time arrivals.

(3) The development of technology enabling real-time transit
information, including arrival and departure predictions, vehicle
locations, occupancy, and service alerts, has created an opportunity
for the region's transit agencies to alleviate the wait-time
frustrations and provide riders with other useful trip information.
(4) Transit riders should have access to consistent and uniform

19 real-time information across all transit services in the region.

20 (b) (1) On or before July 1, 2023, the commission shall establish 21 open data standards, in consultation with the regional transit 22 coordinating council established pursuant to Section 29142.4 of the Public Utilities Code, 66513.4, that are aligned with, but may 23 exceed, any data standards adopted by the state to provide real-time 24 25 transit vehicle location, arrival and departure times and predictions, and service alerts data to transit riders, and shall assist in the 26 27 analysis of transit service to improve service quality. A transit 28 agency may elect not to disclose vehicle location information if it 29 can otherwise comply with the open data standards related to 30 providing arrival and departure times and predictions. The 31 commission shall update the open data standards, in consultation 32 with the regional transit coordinating council described in this 33 paragraph, as needed.

34 (2) The standards shall enable the provision of real-time arrival35 data and follow generally accepted accessibility standards.

36 (3) Each of the region's transit agencies shall comply with the
37 standards established pursuant to this subdivision and shall share
38 their data with the commission in a format that is compatible with

39 the standards. standards or other format approved by the

40 *commission on an interim basis.*

1 (c) The commission shall coordinate the activities of the region's 2 transit agencies pursuant to subdivision (b), disseminate data 3 collected pursuant to this section to third parties, and develop an 4 implementation and funding plan for deployment of real-time 5 information.

6 (d) Nothing in this section shall preclude transit agencies from
7 using real-time data that they collect for any purpose, such as in
8 the development of a transit agency's own mobile application or
9 powering real-time arrival or departure information on their internet
10 website, as long as the data are also shared with the commission.

(e) Nothing in this section shall preclude transit agencies fromsharing real-time data directly with third parties, as long as thedata are also shared with the commission.

14 (f) Transit agencies shall make every effort to comply with the 15 requirements of this section without affecting existing transit 16 service levels. If the commission determines that one of the 17 region's transit agencies is out of compliance with subdivision (b), 18 then the commission shall first notify the transit agency of 19 noncompliance, and indicate what steps are needed to comply. If 20 a transit agency is unable to comply due to a lack of funding, 21 demonstrated negative impacts to existing transit service levels, 22 the transit agency shall submit a request for additional funding or 23 for an exemption from the requirements of this section to the 24 commission for approval. If the transit agency does not comply 25 with the compliance parameters set by the commission or if the 26 commission rejects the transit agency's request for more funding 27 or for an exemption, that transit agency shall not be eligible to 28 receive a portion of funds pursuant to Section 99313 or 99314 of 29 the Public Utilities Code in an amount to be determined by the 30 commission. The transit agency shall regain access to any withheld 31 funds upon demonstration of compliance. 32 SEC. 8. 33 SEC. 9. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that

34 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to

35 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made

36 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division

37 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

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SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

DATE: June 17, 2022

FROM: General Manager

SUBJECT: Regular Board Meeting, June 23, 2022 – El Cerrito del Norte BART Station Tour

For the June 23rd Board Meeting, President Saltzman has requested that staff provide the Board of Directors with a tour of the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station in the City of El Cerrito.

The tour will highlight (1) the modernization of this station, including the new south entrance, two new elevator and stairwells, access and accessibility improvements, R-Line traction power replacement, new public art, and sustainability features, with the project funding update; (2) Transit-Oriented Development Update for the El Cerrito del Norte and El Cerrito Plaza stations; and (3) Regional Transit Coordination Update. Attached to the agenda is the station area map, and a station plan with topics and information scheduled for discussion.

The meeting will be called to order just outside the El Cerrito del Norte Station (by the southern entrance to the Station, across from Hill Street), adjacent to the BART station agent booth. We will see both the station and the immediate station area. We have invited special guests - El Cerrito Mayor Gabe Quinto, Contra Costa Supervisor John Gioia, Contra Costa Transportation Authority Chair Chris Kelley, Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Director of Service Development Robert del Rosario, and Holliday Development Director of Development Jamie Hiteshew - to address the Board. This is a walking tour, so please wear comfortable shoes. Also, we will be outside the entire time so please wear sunscreen and shade protection if so desired. Staff has done their best to identify areas at, or near, the station to facilitate discussion, but please do recognize that the tour will be conducted in a busy and dynamic setting.

Please contact Val Menotti at (510) 287-4794 if you have questions.

DocuSigned by: Michael Jones

Robert M. Powers

Attachment

cc: Board Appointed Officers Deputy General Manager Executive Staff

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Step Speakers/Focus

Introduction

- Convene Meeting (Pres. Saltzman)
- Welcome (Mayor Gabe Quinto)
- Welcome (Supervisor John Gioia)

Modernization of El Cerrito del Norte (ECDN) Station and Funding Update

- Station Modernization & Accessibility (Carl Holmes / Wahid Amiri)
- Public Art (Jennifer Easton)
- Ohlone Trail Improvements (Bob Franklin)
- Traction Power (Myat San)
- Project Funding (Priya Mathur)
- CCTA Opportunities (Chair Chris Kelley, CCTA)
- Discussion/Public Comment

Transit-Oriented Development Update: ECDN & El Cerrito Plaza BART Stations

- San Pablo Specific Plan & Complete Streets (Sean Moss, Planning Mgr)
- Mayfair / Modular Housing (Jamie Hiteshew, Holliday Development)
- El Cerrito Plaza TOD (Shannon Dodge)
- Discussion/Public Comment

Regional Transit Coordination Update

- Transit Operator Coordination (Hannah Lindelof / Robert del Rosario, AC Transit)
- Wayfinding & Bus Bay Numbering (Bob Franklin)
- EV Bus Charging Coordination (Monica Meagher)
- Discussion/Public Comment

Close

• Adjourn (Pres. Saltzman)

El Cerrito del Norte Site Map





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1 Modernization of ECDN Station & Funding Update



New north entrance with modernized station agent booth, new elevator and more fare gates



Fully modernized south entrance with a dramatic floor to ceiling exterior window



Expanded paid area, additional fare gates and stairs will mean fewer bottlenecks and less crowding during peak commute hours

Reasons to prioritize the ECDN Station Mod

- Regional transit hub
- High ridership in a disadvantaged neighborhood
- Transit-oriented development

Goals

- More functional station with better customer experience
- Regional hub with expanded transit connectivity & station capacity
- Improved accessibility and sustainability
- Reduced fare evasion

Improvements

- Fully modernized south entrance
- Two new elevators (inside paid area) and two new staircases
- Two new public restrooms and water bottle filling station
- Two new art walls
- An additional fare gate array and a new station agent booth
- New LED station lights
- A new ADA-compliant bus island with new bus shelters, the opening of a new passenger loading zone, and a new raised pedestrian crosswalk
- New fire-life safety systems and new emergency lighting
- Improvements to the Ohlone Greenway
- Two new bioswale areas



Funding Source	Amoun
California Proposition 1B	
Contra Costa County Measure J	
BART Measure RR	
West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee 2006 STMP	
BART Capital Allocation and Parking Program Revenue	
TOTAL	





Ridership

\$71.74

- Ridership (May 2022): ~3,300
- Recovery: Approximately at 43%
- Ranks 11th in ridership recovery

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Transit-Oriented Development Update: ECDN & El Cerrito Plaza BART Stations 2



San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan (SPASP)

- Adopted in 2014 to advance goals of the City's Housing Element and economic development studies
- Encourages new mixed-use development along San Pablo Avenue and near two BART stations
- Numerous developments have been built or approved as a result of the plan's new zoning, and the City is now working to update components of the SPASP with community input



Credit: mayfairstation.com



Credit: Related California & Holliday Development

El Cerrito Plaza TOD

- Developers: Holliday and Related California
- About 780 apartments are planned in 6 buildings, nearly half of which would be affordable to low- and moderate-income households
- Will include up to 250 BART rider parking spaces
- May include a new public library
- Will be built in several phases using modular construction and union labor





El Cerrito Plaza TOD and **Station Access**

- Caltrans/FTA-grant-funded Corridor Access Plan being developed covering El Cerrito and Berkeley (**bart.gov/beccap**)
- Aims to equitably distribute BART station access investments in walking, biking, riding transit, and parking based on analysis and community input
- City intends to manage nearby on-street parking to minimize impacts on current residents, and to ensure parking options for BART riders

Mayfair Development at ECDN

- First phase: 156 market rate apartments called Mayfair Station, now complete and leasing up
- Construction was at Factory OS' unionized facility in Vallejo. Modular construction can be done 40% faster and 20% cheaper than traditional construction
- Second phase: 67 affordable apartments will be built by **BRIDGE** Housing. Secured Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) funds in 2021

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3 Regional Transit Coordination Update

Transit operators across the region are collaborating to advance improvements to the rider experience. Work includes coordination with MTC on the Transit Transformation Action Plan as well as operator initiatives to better coordinate services and improve the transfer experience.

Home Locations of BART Riders by Mode (2015) & Transit Connectivity (2022)



^{*}FAST service to El Cerrito del Norte now operated by SolTrans

**Additional operators: FlixBus (weekday service to Davis and Sacramento), Richmond Moves (on-demand shuttle), the California Department of Public Health (employee shuttle), and the Tahoe Convoy (during the winter season)

Coordinated Improvements

- Reconstruction of all bus bays and new bus shelters to improve accessibility and passenger experience
- Bus bays reallocated to improve transfer experience and legibility of station
- Raised crosswalks to/from bus bays and passenger loading area to improve pedestrian safety and access to bus stops
- Coordination with City of El Cerrito on Complete Streets project

Total transfers to/from BART (Aug 2021)



Transfers by Bus Operator (Aug 2021)



Home Origins of Transit Transfers (2015)



Transfer % of Station Ridership (Aug 2021) 25% 20% 10%

Station Access Signage Standards

- Based on Regional Transit Signage Standards, updates key transit hub sign types to accommodate current practices, support all user types, and improve navigation at stations • Will integrate with and feed into MTC's Regional Mapping & Wayfinding project
- Improves efficiency of station management

Bus Bay Numbering

- Provides an address independent of the routes that stop at it
- Supports improved passenger information across formats (ie. text, digital, maps, bulletins) and permanent wayfinding to bus bays
- Numbering prioritizes passenger perspective and aids in navigation
- Tactile signage supports blind and low vision users
- Bus Info QR code pilot provides real-time information for all users









Sample Signage at El Cerrito del Norte



EV bus charger example. Photo: Momentum Dynamics Corp.

Electric Bus Charging

- BCA Air Resources Board (CARB) requires 100% zero-emission bus fleets by 2040
- Shared EV bus chargers maximize benefit and minimize capital investment & station construction/maintenance impacts
- Solano Transportation Authority (STA) will install shared chargers at El Cerrito Del Norte and Walnut Creek BART stations
- STA's project will install a network of 8 inductive chargers at regionally significant locations. STA's project is fully funded and has a target installation of 2023