

VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

28<sup>th</sup> Street / Little Portugal Community Working Group

May 13, 2020



## Agenda

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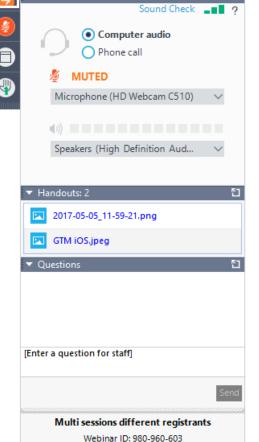


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### Today's Meeting Format

- Gretchen is facilitating
- Joe is managing the Go to Webinar app
- Microphones will be muted during each agenda item / presentation
- At the end of each agenda item there will be a question round. Joe will unmute members one-by-one during the question round.
  - You can also write in questions using the Questions box on the Go to Webinar app
- Please contact Gretchen after if you have any additional comments or questions.



## Upcoming Meetings – 28th Street / Little Portugal

- Upcoming 28<sup>th</sup> Street / Little Portugal CWG Dates
  - July 2020 Date TBD, 4:00 PM
  - September 15, 2020, 4:00 PM
  - November 17, 2020, 4:00 PM
- VTA Board of Directors <u>vta.org/about/board-and-committees</u>
  - June 4, 2020, 5:30 PM
- Gretchen / Kate will email alerts for other meetings, e.g. Board Workshops



# Follow-Up Items

**Gretchen Baisa, VTA** 



### Follow-up Items – 28th Street / Little Portugal

- Send link to BART Phase II video –
- Send link to playbook once finalized Noted
- Send date for Santa Clara Council Meeting TOC Workshop Presentation –
- Send the small business survey link to Small Business Task Force for beta testing –
- Provide link to Airport RFQ responses in meeting summary –



# Questions



# **CWG Member Report Back**



#### Report Back

- Carlos Diaz Alum Rock Business Network
- Connie Alvarez Alum Rock Santa Clara Street Business Association
- Elma Arredondo Alum Rock Urban Village
   Advocates (ARUVA)
- Terry Christensen CommUniversity
- Cobán López Cristo Rey San José Jesuit High School
- Chris Patterson-Simmons East Santa Clara
   Street Business Association
- Helen Masamori Five Wounds / Brookwood\*
   Terrace Neighborhood Action Coalition
- Davide Vieira Five Wounds National Portuguese Parish

- Bill Rankin Friends of Five Wounds Trail
- Danny Garza Plata-Arroyo Neighborhood Association
- Ricardo Agredano *Portuguese*Organization for Social Services and
  Opportunities (POSSO)
- Eric Thacker *Northside Neighborhood Association* 
  - Justin Tríano *Ride East Side San José* (*Ride ESSJ*)
  - Jeff Levine Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Association
  - Kathy Ericksen Somos Mayfair



# Phase I Update

**Gretchen Baisa, VTA** 



#### Phase I Update

- Major Milestones:
  - BART started pre-revenue operations on April 20
  - Next Step: CPUC Certification
- BART Service During Shelter in Place Orders:
  - With service reduced during the shelter in place order, trains will run every 30 minutes on weekdays and every 24 minutes on weekends
- Revenue Service Date To Be Announced

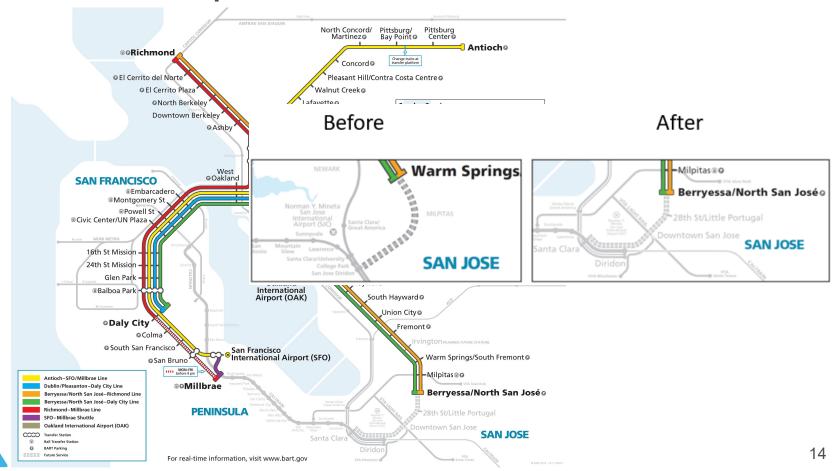


#### Framework to Passenger Service



- Significant progress made in System Safety Certification
- Systems Safety Certification Verification Report will be submitted 21 days prior to revenue service
- Green diamonds 🔷 represent completed milestones; red diamond 🔷 is the upcoming milestone

#### New BART Map



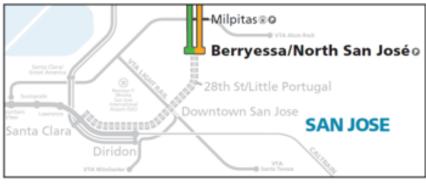


#### New BART Map

**Before** 

#### After







## Questions



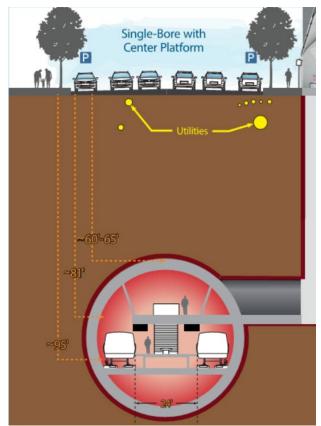
# Phase II Update

Bernice Alaniz, Ronak Naik, VTA



#### Single-Bore with Center Platform

- Concurrent to pursuing Federal funding, VTA and BART explored a larger single-bore tunnel with side-by-side tracks and center platform
- Engineering on the larger single bore with center platform was advanced to 10% design and showed higher projected costs and risks, thus prompting consideration of alternatives



Approximately 56-foot diameter Tunnel Boring Machine



### Criteria for Evaluation of Tunnel Configurations

- 1. Funding constraints
- 2. Federal funding process
- 3. Environmental clearance
- 4. Construction impacts
- 5. Contracting risk
- 6. Innovation opportunities
- 7. Consistency with BART system



#### BART's Operational Concerns for Stacked Configuration

#### **Emergency Egress**

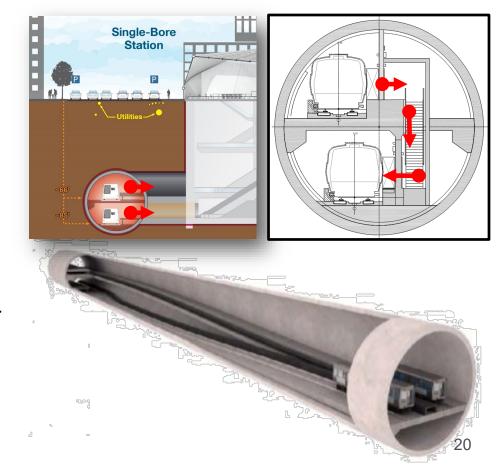
Enclosed stairwells in the tunnel sections as a means for emergency evacuation is not considered intuitive for passengers

#### **Operations**

Challenges with train operations due to ramps/transitions and associated emergency egress

#### **Ventilation**

Proposed designs differ from typical BART underground system and would require specialized training of employees





#### Addressing BART's Operational Concerns

- Use 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Stockton Avenue mid-tunnel facilities to optimize ventilation, emergency evacuation, and provide operational flexibility
  - Limit transitions (ramps) between stacked and side-by-side track configurations to two locations (at ventilation facilities)
  - Provide emergency evacuation platforms at ventilation facilities
  - Provide crossovers (switches) for operational flexibility



### Project Alignment



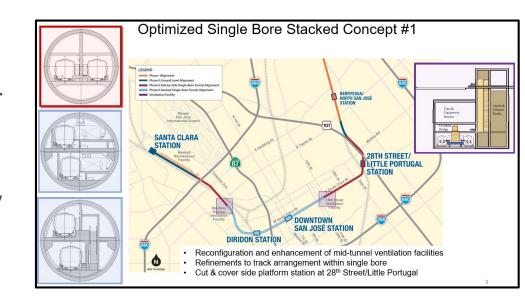
### Summary

- Two optimized concepts presented at the April 17 Board of Directors Special Meeting
- Concepts address BART's main operational concerns for single-bore stacked configuration
- Staff reviewed both concepts through the lens of public and Board feedback including minimizing street level impacts, business/community disruptions, and pre-established criteria (cost, schedule, risks, etc.)



#### Optimized Single-Bore Tunnel Concept

- Provides the most opportunity to minimize street-level impacts
- Provides opportunity for further optimization
- Addresses BART's operational concerns related to emergency egress, operations, and ventilation

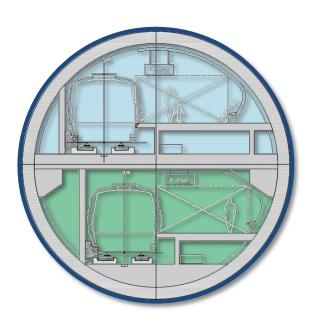




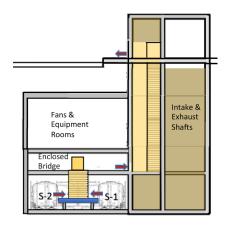


#### Optimized Single-Bore Tunnel

 Single-bore tunnel with stacked track and platform configuration through downtown segment (13<sup>th</sup> Street to Stockton Avenue)



 Construction of emergency egress center platform adjacent to the ventilation facilities on either end of the Downtown/Diridon segment

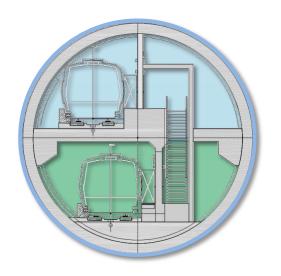


Cut-and-cover construction of 28<sup>th</sup>
 Street/Little Portugal Station and emergency egress platforms at 13<sup>th</sup>
 Street and at Stockton Avenue facilities

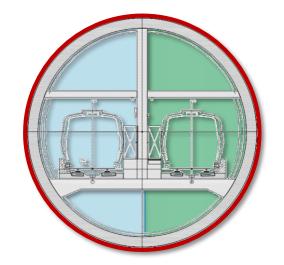


### Track Configuration

- One single-bore tunnel for entire 5-mile tunnel alignment
- Stacked configuration between 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Stockton Avenue Facilities

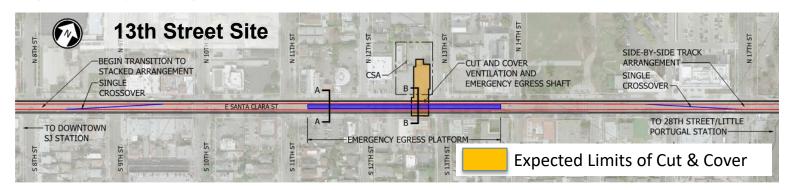


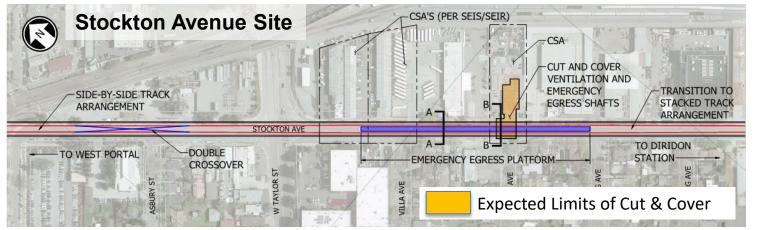
 Side-by-side running track configuration east of 13<sup>th</sup> Street and north/west of Taylor Street (along Stockton Avenue)





#### Emergency Egress/Ventilation Facilities







### Next Steps

- Advance design of Optimized Single-Bore concept including assessment of any potential environmental, right-of-way, and utility considerations
- Develop cost estimate, schedule, and risk register
- Prepare documents to submit for FTA's Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program



## Next Steps

- Next CWG meeting:
   July (TBD), 4:00 PM, Virtual Meeting
  - CWG Member Report Backs
  - Diridon Integrated Station
     Concept Plan
  - Phase II Update

- Construction Education & Outreach Plan
- Related Transportation
   Planning Efforts

Action Items

