## VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

Alum Rock/28th Street Community Working Group

June 13, 2018



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## Agenda

- Follow-up Items
- Status Updates
- Phase II Update
- VTA's Process for Station Naming
- Construction Education and Outreach Plan
- San Jose Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan
- Transit Oriented Development Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update
- Next Steps



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#### Role of the CWG

- Be project liaisons
- Receive briefings on technical areas
- Receive project updates
- Build an understanding of the project
- Collaborate with VTA
- Contribute to the successful delivery of the project



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#### Your Role as a CWG Member

- Attend CWG meetings
  - Bring your own binder (BYOB)
- Be honest
- Provide feedback
- Get informed
- Disseminate accurate information
- Act as conduits for information to community at large



#### Role of the CWG Team

CWG Team Member	Role
Eileen Goodwin	Facilitator
Karen Gauss	Primary Outreach Contact
Jill Gibson	Phase II Planning Manager
Erica Roecks	Technical Lead
Michael Brilliot	City of San Jose – Planning Liaison
Ahmad Qayoumi	City of San Jose – DOT Liaison



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#### **Upcoming Meetings**

#### New CWG Dates - (http://www.vta.org/bart/upcomingmeetings)

- August 22, 2018 New Member Orientation
- September 12, 2018, 4:00 5:30 PM
- November 14, 2018, 4:00 5:30 PM
- February 6, 2019, 4:00 6:00 PM
- April 17, 2019, 4:00 6:00 PM

#### VTA Board of Directors - (http://www.vta.org/get-involved/board-of-directors)

- June 22, 2018 9:00 AM
- August 2, 2018 5:30 PM
- September 6, 2018 5:30 PM



## Follow-Up Items



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#### Follow-Up Items

- The City and VTA have updated map callouts to reflect "Five Wounds Church & Cristo Rey San Jose Jesuit High School"
- VTA will further research text message notification technology for future communications with the public.



## **Status Updates**

Jill Gibson, VTA



## **Status Updates**

- Phase II Planning of Real Estate Acquisition
- Federal Involvement and Related Issues
- Construction Activities



## Phase II Update

Jill Gibson, VTA



In the News...

VTA goes with single-bore subway and BART signals acceptance 🗪

Silicon Valley Business Journal, March 30, 2018

Silicon Valley transit projects land nearly \$1.7 billion for highway, rail and bus improvements >

Silicon Valley Business Journal, April 27, 2018

Transportation

San Jose's subway gets environmental approval, invitation to **federal funding** Silicon Valley Business Journal, June 5, 2018

San Jose Sharks Sue Vta Over South Bay Extension Project

San Francisco Chronicle, May 4, 2018

NEWS TRANSPORTATION SFBAY.ca, June 6, 2016

Bay Area voters back transit, highway funding



#### Phase II Extension Project Funding Strategy

#### 2017 Project Cost Estimate:

\$4.78 Billion<sup>1</sup>

Projected Local & State Funds;

\$3.41 Billion

- Existing Measure A Sales Tax
- 2016 Sales Tax Measure B
- ✓ State Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program
- Projected Federal Funds:

\$1.5 Billion

☐ FTA New Starts

**Projected Funding:** 

\$4.91 Billion<sup>1</sup>

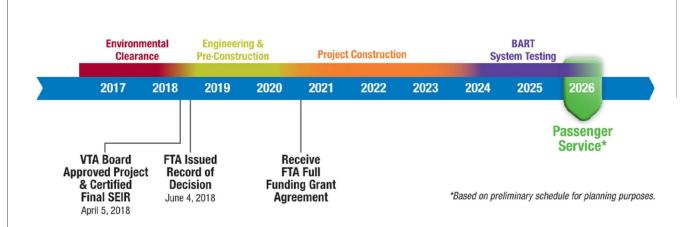
Project estimate and funding strategy will be updated as project advances and after further coordination with FTA on assessment of project risks.



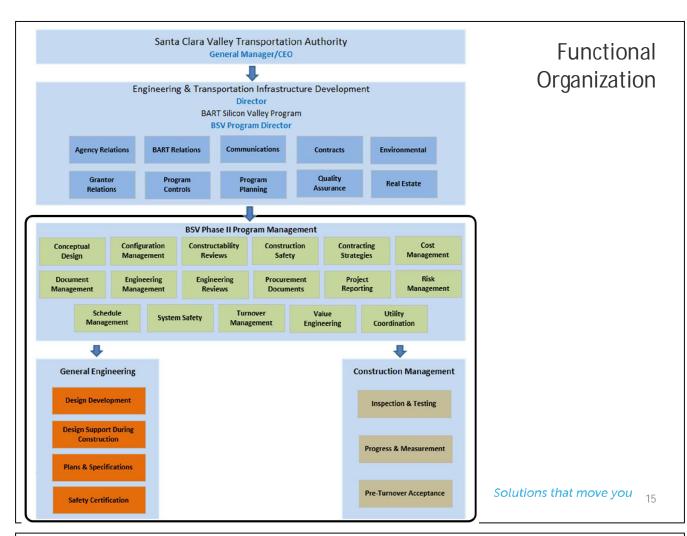
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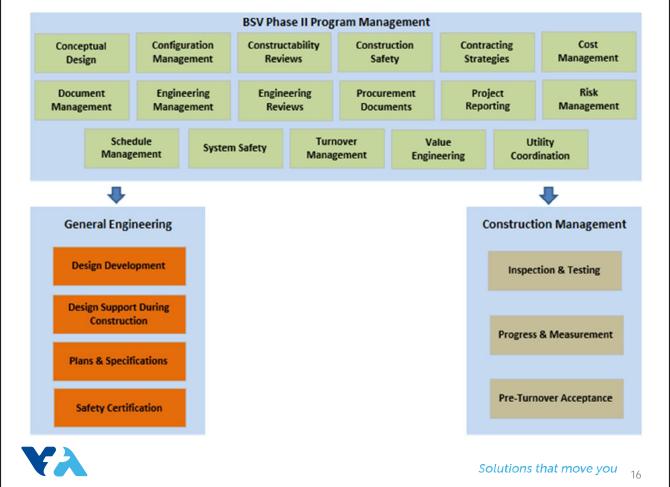
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#### Phase II Extension Project Schedule









#### General Engineering Consultant (GEC) Request for Proposals

Procurement Schedule		
Information Forum	May 15, 2018	
Advertise RFP	June 2018	
Selection	Fall 2018	

- Over 300 industry representatives registered
- GEC responsibilities to support final contracting:
  - Advance design
  - Integrate construction contracts



http://www.vta.org/bart/financial/contractingopportunities



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#### Expedited Project Delivery (EPD) Pilot Program

- VTA/FTA met in early May to discuss deliverables necessary for a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA)
- FTA has granted VTA's New Starts process an extension for as long as progress in EPD continues
- Anticipate submitting an FFGA application in late 2019
- FTA to respond to the application within 120 days
- Receipt of FFGA sooner
- FTA funding capped at 25 percent of project cost



## **Questions?**



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## VTA's Process for Station **Naming**

Jill Gibson, VTA



#### Phase II Station Naming Overview

- **Best Practices for Station Naming**
- VTA timeline and process for potential station name
- **Discussion on Suggested Names**



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#### **Station Naming Guidelines**

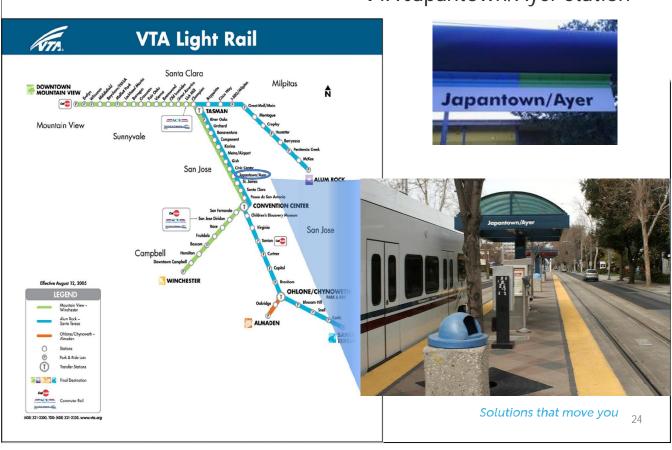
- Rider's Perspective
  - Assist passenger in use of system
  - Location within the context of the transit system
- Simplicity
  - For quick recognition and retention
  - Brief and distinctive
  - Easy to pronounce and understand
- Station Area Context
  - Historical basis
  - Geographically significant
  - Withstand the test of time



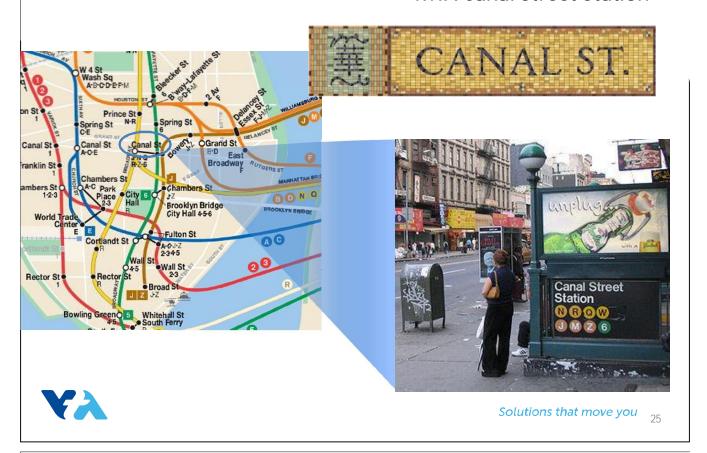
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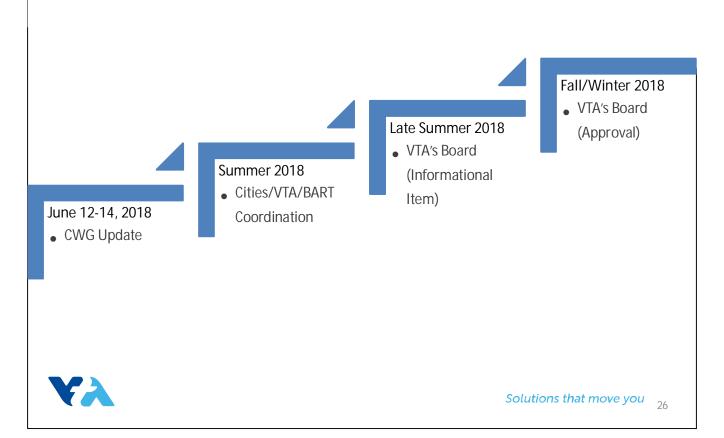
#### VTA Japantown/Ayer Station



#### MTA Canal Street Station



#### VTA's BART Phase II Station Naming Timeline



#### Discussion

- Santa Clara Station
- **Diridon Station**
- **Downtown San Jose Station**
- Alum Rock/28th Street Station



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## Construction Education and Outreach Plan

Gretchen Baisa, VTA



#### **CEOP Part A: Collateral Overview**

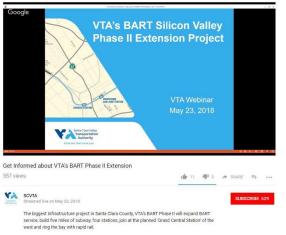
CWG Members Role: Collateral

- Determine what else, if anything, might be needed to inform general public
- Review finished pieces; give feedback
  - Phase II Fact Sheet
  - Single-Bore Tunneling
  - TOD Strategy Study
  - Newhall Maintenance Facility
     Noise and Vibration\*
  - Phase II Benefits
  - Alum Rock/28<sup>th</sup> Street Station Real Estate\*
  - Downtown San Jose Station Business Resources\*
- Diridon Station
- Santa Clara Station
- Ventilation Structures
- General Construction\*

\*Coming Soon



#### Outreach Recap



- Development of CEOP
- Stakeholder Intake Campaign
- Project Milestones Publicized
- Establishment of General Outreach Materials Needs and Priorities
- Establishment of stakeholder intake technology
- Mailchimp Newsletter
- Phase II Webinar
- Scheduled participation in community events and meetings June – September

https://youtu.be/pFfoc5ttpkg



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### **Questions?**



## San Jose Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan

#### Dennis Kearney, VTA



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#### Concept Plan – Purpose

- 1. Harmonize transportation and land-use goals to expand the benefits for all stakeholders.
  - Create a spatial arrangement for the station and its surroundings that offers seamless transportation connections.
  - Integrate the station facility into surrounding land uses to attract private development and create a sense of place and destination.
- 2. Establish an effective organization that can deliver the vision.









### Partnership is Key

#### The whole is greater than the sum of the parts

- Collaboration of Team
- Larger Project offers more solutions
- Local Support and Champions
- Alignment of Goals & Priorities
- Harmonize on Project Design & Schedules
- Combine Technical Requirements
- Physical & Financial Stake in Project











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## Concept Plan - Progress

- March 2018 Issued Letter of Intent of Award to Arcadis/Benthem Crouwel (ABC)
- June 2018 VTA & Partners' Board/Council Authorization to Execute Cooperative and Funding Agreements and Master Services Agreement with Arcadis-Benthem-Crouwel (ABC)
- Summer/Fall 2018 Begin study efforts









## Concept Plan – Team

## Arcadis/Bentham Crouwel (ABC)

#### Arcadis

- A global consultancy providing urban planning, design, engineering, and project management
- 27,000 employees in over 70 countries
- Offices in San Jose



#### **Benthem Crouwel**

- Urban Planning, Architecture,
   Public buildings, infrastructural projects, and urban master plans
- Rotterdam Central Station
- Amsterdam, Netherlands









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### Project Approach – The 3 Pillars

#### **Urban Planning and Design**

 "What" - Captures ambitions, refines functional requirements, and develops scenarios

#### Engineering

 "How" - Evaluate scenarios and translate the Partner's vision into a constructible and operational reality

#### Organization

• "By Whom" - Defines how the Partners need to organize and operate the Station











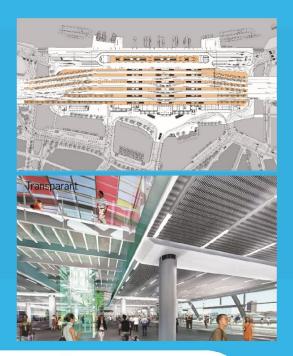
## Concept Plan Process

#### Phase I (10 months):

- Develop Spatial & Organizational Scenarios
- Evaluation
- Identify Preferred Scenario

#### Phase II (8 months):

- Advance Preferred Scenario
- Roadmap to Delivery
- Final Report





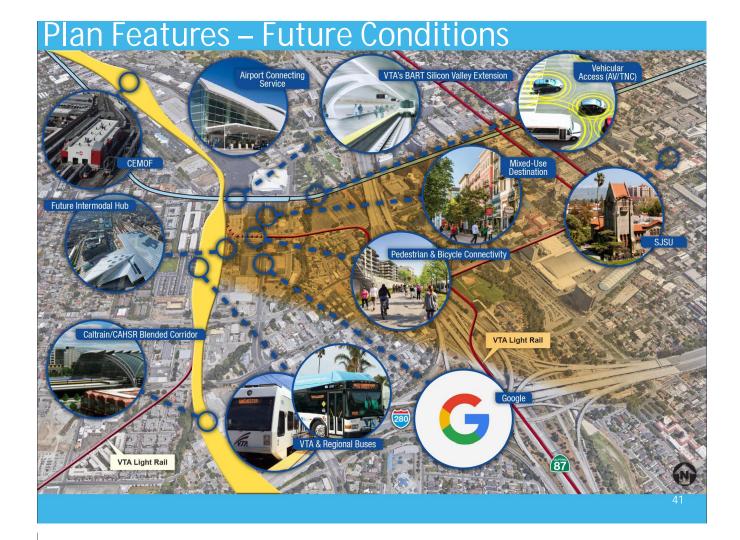






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## Concept Plan Next Steps

- Execute Master Services Agreement
- Execute Task Order #1 for Phase I
- Coordination between Consultant and VTA's BART Phase II Design Team







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## **Transit Oriented Development** Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update

Dennis Kearney, VTA



#### **TOD and Access Study**

## Land Use (TOD) Strategy

- Strategies to increase investment in TOD
- Detailed implementation strategy to catalyze TOD

#### Access Planning

- Multimodal access planning around stations
- Designed to meet needs of future TOD

Alum Rock/28<sup>th</sup>
Street Station

Downtown San
José Station

Diridon Station
(Separate Effort)

Santa Clara
Station

Kick-off: January 2018

Estimated Completion: Spring 2019



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#### TOD and Access Study - What Will it do?

- Builds Upon Existing Land Use Plans and Policies
- Develops a Strategy for Implementation
- Provides a Roadmap for "How to Get There"
  - Develop *specific* recommendations to enhance access to the stations and TODs
  - Develop feasible and implementable land use strategies and financing tools





## TOD and Access Strategy Study: **Access Update**

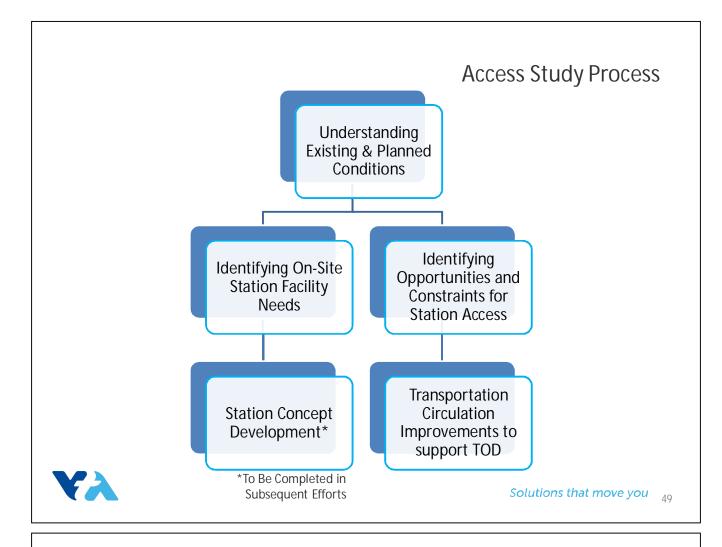
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#### **Access Study Objectives**

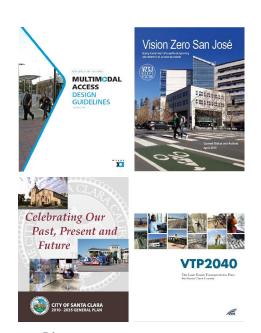
- Identify transportation improvements, guidelines, and policies to support and encourage TOD in and around the station areas
- Provide for station access that promotes ridership, supports a cohesive transportation network, and integrates with surrounding neighborhoods



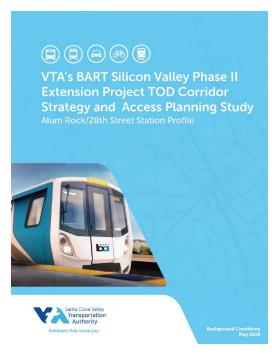


#### Review of Key Guiding Policies/Documents

- BART Station Access Planning Final Report
- **BART Station Access Policy**
- **BART Multimodal Access Design Guidelines**
- Vision Zero San Jose
- San Jose Complete Streets Guidelines
- **Envision 2040 General Plan**
- Santa Clara General Plan
- VTA Complete Streets Policy
- VTA Countywide Bike Plan
- VTA Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan
- Valley Transportation Plan 2040
- **Urban Village Plans**
- Five Wounds BART Station Area Community Concept Plan
- City Station Access Planning Study



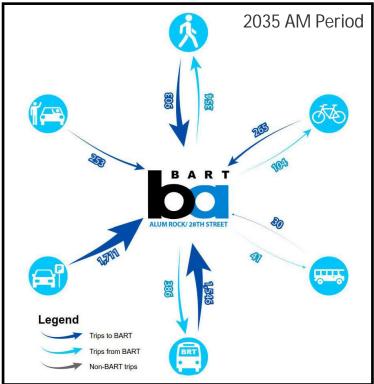
#### Station Profile



- Report that summarizes the transportation characteristics of each station area
- Summarize existing and planned:
  - Pedestrian network
  - Bicycle network
  - Auto network
  - Transit network
  - Curb management
- Identification of key access considerations
  - Interaction of modes
  - Gaps in connectivity
  - Primary access pathways

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#### Alum Rock/28th Street Station Activity



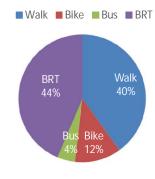


#### Alum Rock/28th Street Station Activity 2035 AM Period

## MODE OF ACCESS (TO BART) ■ Walk ■ Bike ■ Bus ■ BRT ■ Park & Ride ■ Pick-Up/Drop-Off Pick-Up/Drop-Off Walk Bike Bus 1%

Total AM BART Boardings: 4,707

MODE OF EGRESS (FROM BART)

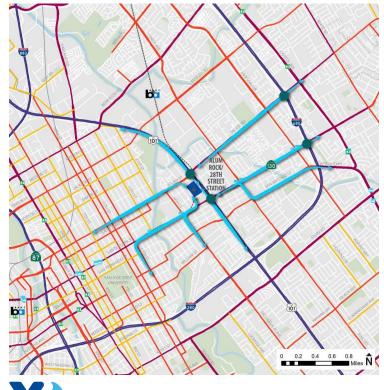


Total AM BART Alightings: 855



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#### **Auto Pathways & Opportunities**



#### Legend

Interstate, freeway, expressway Other principal arterial Minor arterial Collector VTA BRT Stops VTA LRT Stops VTA/BART Phase II **Extension Alignment** Access pathway

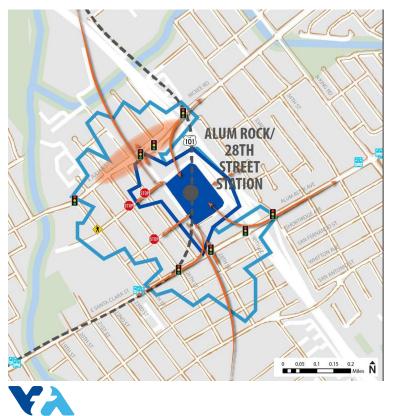
Interchange to be used to access station

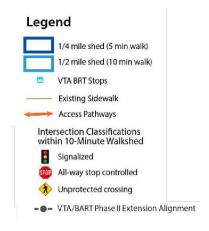






#### Pedestrian Pathways & Opportunities





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#### Key Considerations for Alum Rock/28th Street

- Enhancing the bicycle/pedestrian connections across US-101
- Closing bicycle gaps and improving connections across major roadways
- Providing a strong connection between the Santa Clara/Alum Rock BRT and the station





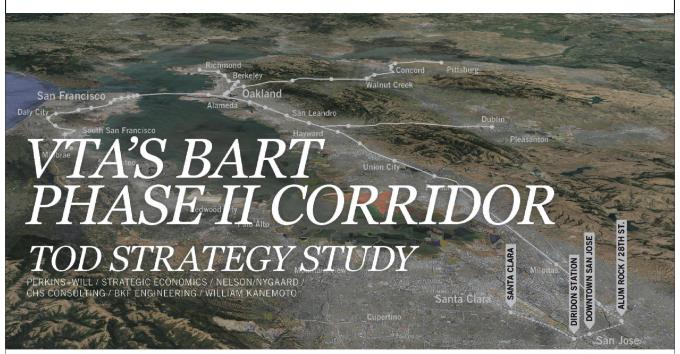
#### **Next Steps**

- Complete Background Conditions Station Profiles
- Identification of opportunities and gaps within the transportation network
- Identification of on-site transportation facilities
- Identification of off-site transportation improvements and connections



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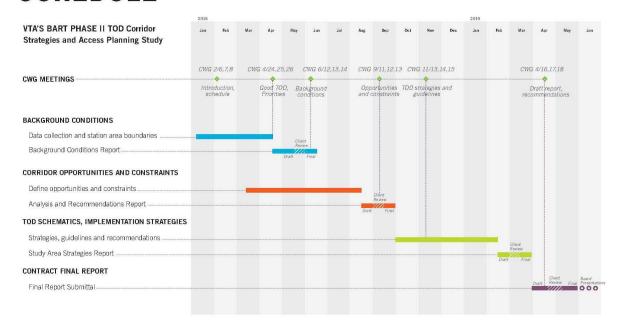


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## **SCHEDULE**





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## **PREVIOUS MEETING**

ALUM ROCK / 28TH STREET STATION

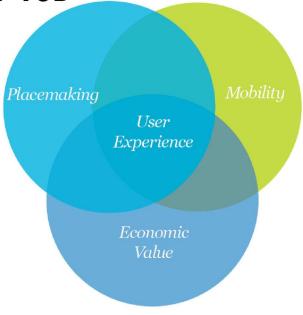


#### APRIL 2018 TOD WORKSHOPS: KEY TAKEAWAYS

- jobs / housing balance
- $\bullet \ \ towers\,possible$
- 'gateway' opportunity
- celebrate + enhance cultural activities
- mobility, walkability, safety
- · connectivity to station
- · prevent displacement
- right size parking



## **ELEMENTS OF TOD**









## DIVERSE MIX OF USES



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## **LAND USE**

Alum Rock / 28th St Station is mostly industrial operations, lowintensity development, underutilized land, and vacant parcels. Various Urban Village plans call for higher-intensities of mixed use residential and commercial.







## ENGAGING & ACTIVE PUBLIC REALM



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## **ACTIVE GROUND FLOOR**

More Active Uses Fewer Active Uses

Alum Rock / 28th Street Station has few existing ground floor active uses. More active uses are located east across highway 101 along Alum Rock Ave.





Alum Rock / 28th Street Station

## **ANCHOR DESTINATIONS**

Civic Services Open Space Transportation







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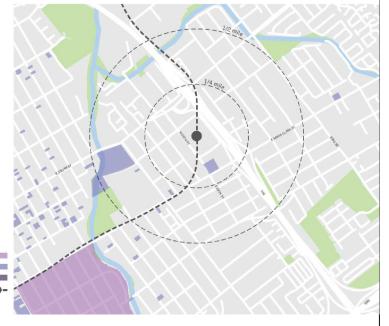
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## **CULTURE & IDENTITY**





Conservation Area Historic Resources National Register and City Landmark District VTA/BART Phase II Extension -





# COMPACT & WALKABLE URBAN ENVIRONMENT



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## PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT

Alum Rock / 28th Street Station

E. Santa Clara St. has ample sidewalks with setbacks but is a wide, heavily-trafficed street. Underdeveloped parcels or buildings set back behind surface parking lots here and even even more so on E. Julian St. detract from the pedestrian experience.









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## **OPEN SPACE**

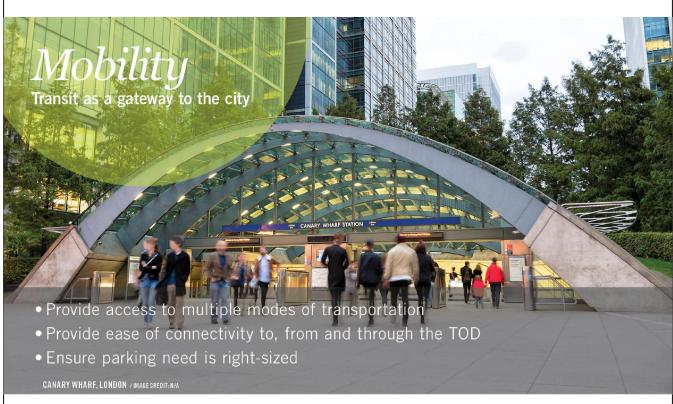
Roosevelt Park, Watson Park, and Plata Arroyo Park are the three main open spaces within 1-mile of the station. Online user data shows higher levels of activity along E Santa Clara St., E San Antonio St., and 17th St.

\* Online user data compiled from Strava

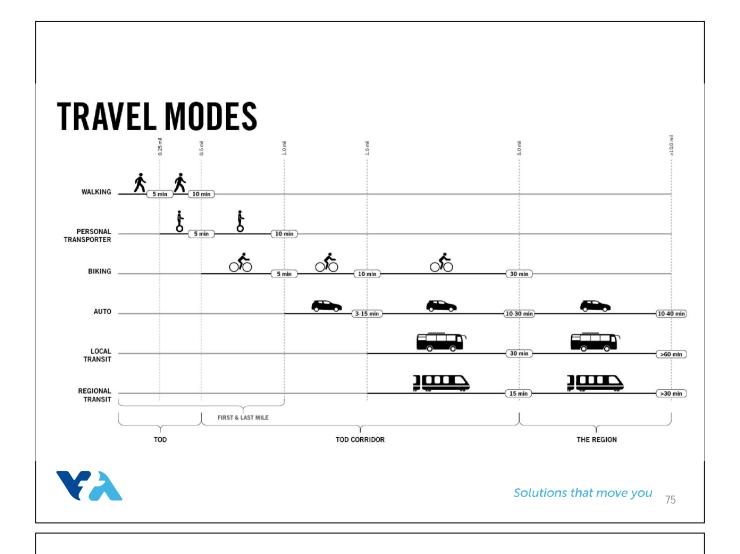




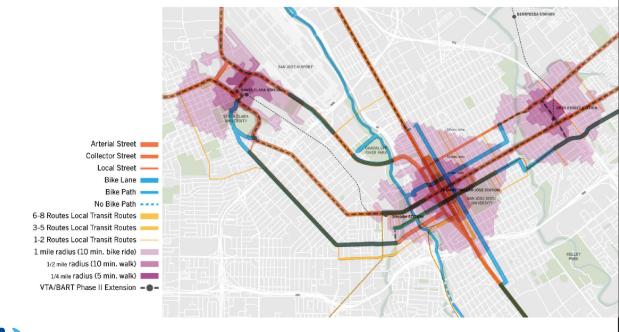








## **CORRIDOR ACCESSIBILITY**



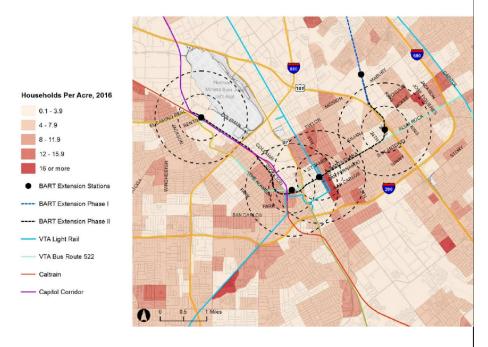




EXISTING HOUSEHOLD & EMPLOYMENT CONCENTRATIONS



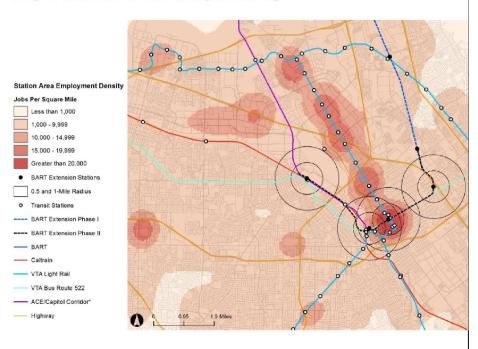
## **EXISTING HOUSEHOLD DENSITIES**





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## **EXISTING EMPLOYMENT DENSITIES**





## PLANNED GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT



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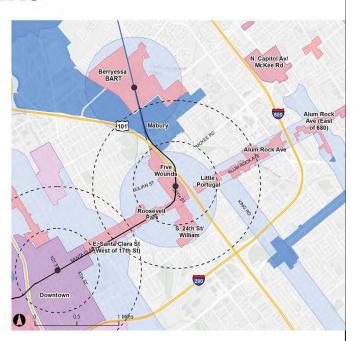
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### PLANNED GROWTH AREAS

Urban Villages identified in the San Jose General Plan:

- · Five Wounds
- Roosevelt Park
- S 24th St/William
- · Little Portugal
- · Alum Rock Ave



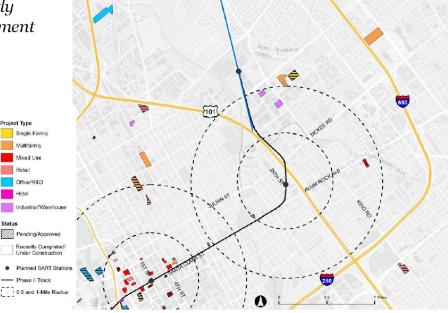




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## RECENT AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT

The station area is currently attracting limited development activity.





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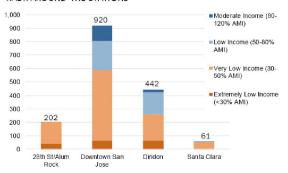
## AFFORDABLE HOUSING



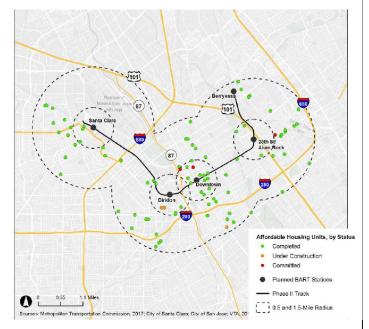
## **EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Corridor includes a significant concentration of income-restricted housing.

#### EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE 0.5 MILE RADII AROUND THE STATIONS



\*Includes Completed, Under Construction, and Committed projects. Source: City of San Jose, Q4 2017; City of Santa Clara, 2018.



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## SAN JOSE'S EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICIES

#### EXPANDING SUPPLY

- 1. Inclusionary housing policy
- 2. Reduced park impact fees for affordable housing
- ${\it 3. Density bonus ordinance}$
- ${\it 4. Accessory\ dwelling\ unit\ ordinance}$

## RENT STABILIZATION AND EVICTION PROTECTIONS

- 1. Apartment rent ordinance
- 2. Mobilehome rent ordinance
- 3. Tenant protection ordinance



## **VTA'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY**

35%

of total new residential units built on VTA properties will be affordable to very low income and low income households. Individual projects must provide a minimum of 20% affordable housing.

Source: VTA TOD Joint Development Policy (2016)





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## NEXT STEPS



## **NEXT STEPS**

- $\bullet \ \ Complete \ background \ conditions \ report$
- Develop opportunities + constraints analysis
- $\bullet \ \ Next\ CWG\ Meeting-September\ 2018:\ TOD\ Potential\ and\ Barriers$



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### **Questions?**



## **Next Steps**

Eileen Goodwin, Facilitator



#### **Next Steps**

- Next CWG meeting:
  - Wednesday, September 12, 2018~4:00-5:30 PM, Mexican Heritage Plaza
    - o Phase II Update
    - Phase II 2-Year Look Ahead
    - o Engineering Update
    - o Real Estate Planning Process
    - Construction Education Outreach Plan
    - Transit Oriented Development Strategy & Access Planning Studies Update
    - o Government Affairs Update
- Action Items

