VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension

Alum Rock Community Working Group

June 10, 2015



Agenda



- Recap of CWG Process
- Follow up items
- VTA's BART Silicon Valley Program status
 - Phase II recap
 - Environmental update
 - Community Engagement process
- Ridership and Modeling
- Planned Land Use Framework
- Next Steps



CWG Process

Eileen Goodwin, Facilitator

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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

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

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Role of the CWG Team



CWG Team Member	Role	
Eileen Goodwin	Facilitator	
Kathleen Podrasky	Primary Outreach Contact	
Leyla Hedayat	Phase II Project Manager	
Erica Roecks	Technical Lead	
Michael Brilliot	City of San Jose – Planning Liaison	
Rosalynn Hughey	City of San Jose – Planning Liaison	
Ray Salvano	City of San Jose – DOT Liaison	
Jessica Zenk	City of San Jose – DOT Liaison	

Work Plan



Items from the work plan discussion during orientation fall in 3 categories:

- Item was added to the work plan
 - Added early because it informs CWG of items to be discussed in the 1st quarter of 2016
 - Added later because decision or information is not readily available
- Item is included as part of topic previously identified in the work plan
- Item will be covered at a later date at another meeting, but we will inform the CWG when info becomes available or topic is not part of the scope of this project

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Work Plan Items



- Presentation on the Berryessa Station parking.
- Presentation on access studies and specifics of Alum Rock Station design especially as the design relates to surrounding potential transit oriented development. Also cover Kiss and Ride lot plans.
- BART staff to present need for maintenance facility and justification of location of maintenance facility including why facility cannot be in Berryessa or another location.
- Financial Analysis as part of New Starts program, including operations and maintenance assumptions.
- Presentation on the evolution of the parking requirements/strategies since there are now about half the spots planned for Alum Rock than there used to be. Include discussion of whether lessening of parking impacts the viability of the project and FTA's support.

Work Plan Items (continued)



- Added to next month's discussion on ridership and modeling the specifics about what is the Route 101 access assumption to the Berryessa and Alum Rock Stations.
- Presentation of potential right-of-way impacts and relocations and a discussion on gentrification as a result of the BART project.
- Present the demographics of the Alum Rock area (1 mile, ½ mile and ¼ mile). Present not just typical demographics but also social equity components such as existing transit ridership.
- Update on Five Wounds Trail.
- Presentation on marketing plan to generate new BART riders on this extension.

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Work Plan Items (continued)



- Convene a panel of developers/economists to discuss what can be done to make the Alum Rock area more attractive to developers and also what makes an area less desirable.
- Present project vibration impacts specifically as they relate to Five Wounds Church.
- Present how VTA does its contracting covering the topics of SBE/DBE outreach and local business outreach and preference.
- Presentation on ridership assumptions and affordability, potential for fare integration and subsidies.
- Impacts to Christo Rey School site during construction including dust, noise and impacts form station box construction.
- How will the community near the Tropicana Shopping center access the Alum Rock Station, specifically bike riders' ability to navigate the hill.

Follow-up Items



- Suggestion by Terry Christensen and Davide Vieira: Elected chairperson would:
 - Liaise with facilitator/VTA staff in advance on meeting agendas
 - Add agenda items at the request of CWG members and in consultation with the facilitator/VTA staff
 - Negotiate deferring agenda items with the facilitator/VTA staff
 - Assist facilitator in management of meetings (but not chair meetings)
 - Serve as spokesperson for CWG as deemed appropriate by the full CWG
- Discuss whether or not to elect a chair

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Upcoming Meetings



VTA Board of Directors

- August 6, 2015
- September 3, 2015
- October 1, 2015

SVRT Program Working Committee

- August 3, 2015
- October 5, 2015
- December 7, 2015

City of San Jose Station Area Walk Audits

• July 21, 2015



Project Status

Kevin Kurimoto, Project Planner

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Phase II Design Completion



unnel EPB Boring Machine	95%	Systems Traction Power	65%
Tunnel Liners	95%	Line Electrical	65%
Horiz. & Vert. Alignment / Geotech.	95%	Train Control	65%
Trackwork	65%		
Portal Structures	65%		
Mid-Tunnel Ventilation structures	65%		
Cross Passages	65%		
tations		Maintenance and Storage	
Alum Rock	65%	Newhall Yard	30% - 50%
Downtown	65%		
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Environmental Update



- Scoping Report released May 26, 2015
- Over 350 total comments were received in all.
- Documents and consolidates comments received, and considers:
 - Topics/concepts already analyzed
 - Topics/concepts that are not feasible and/or outside of environmental scope
 - New topics/concepts that are feasible and warrant analysis
- Technical analysis continues

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Community Engagement process

Brent Pearse, Community Outreach

Community Engagement



- Strategy: To actively engage and educate community stakeholders on project status and technical subjects
- Build long term relationships that will last through environmental, final design and construction
- Develop and encourage public participation between VTA and the community

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Three Pronged Approach



- Workshops and Walks: Engage audiences, dive deep on complex subjects: finance/funding, ridership/modeling, access and construction
- 2. Community Engagement during Environmental Process
- **3. Ongoing Communication:** 20 plus presentations to organizations/businesses since early 2015



Important Upcoming Opportunities



Open to All

- 1. July 21, 2015 Access Planning Audit Walk, CSJ Lead
- 2. July 2015 Land Use Workshop
- 3. October 2015 Finance/Measures A Workshop
- 4. January 2016 Construction Methods/Approach

Why These Topics?

Answer: We receive more public comments and questions on these topics that anything else.

Goal: Address questions and concerns through technical experts and hands on exercises

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General Questions



- When and how is the best time to use my own organization communication tools: blog, website, social media?
 - A: Key project milestones, release of public documents, board meetings
- What types of other groups has or will VTA outreach to?
 - A: Business organizations, community based organizations, low income/minority communities
- How can assigned outreach staff assist me?
 - A: Organize special presentations, meetings, follow up on questions and concerns, keep us moving forward

Staying Involved



- CWG Portal on www.vta.org/bart/phaseIICWGs
- Email Updates: <u>www.vta.org/bart/subscribe</u>
 - Recommend Topics BART Planning, BART, Environmental, BART News
- Social Media Sharing
 - 🂆 @bartsv
 - facebook.com/bartsv
- Committee and Board Meetings







Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority Countywide Model

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Overview of the VTA Travel Demand Model

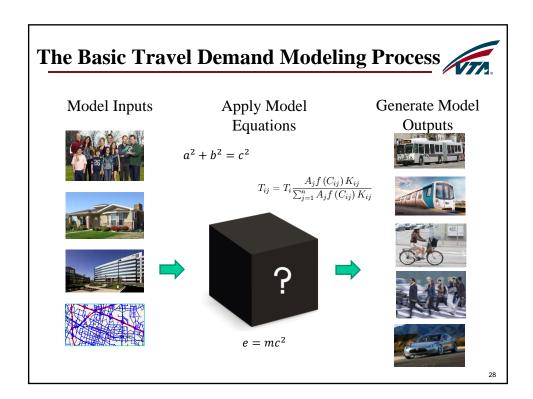


- Set of Mathematical Models Used to Estimate Existing and Future Travel Patterns > Planning Tools used for Policy Decisions
- Key Inputs Land Uses, Transportation Networks, Pricing
- Key Outputs Trips, Mode Shares, Travel Volumes on Roadways and Transit Lines, Travel Speeds and Times

Overview of the VTA Travel Demand Model



- Developed using Observed Travel Patterns from Household Travel Survey Data and Census (Calibration and Validation)
- > Forecast Inputs are Applied to Predict Travel Demand
- Used to Define Transportation Improvement Policies and Test
 'What-if' Scenarios
- > Allows for Different Scales of Analysis > Regional, County, Facility, Route, Transit Stop/Station



Key Model Inputs - Building Blocks



- ➤ Socioeconomic Data Inputs
 - > Development Patterns and Activities
 - ➤ Population, Households, Workers, Age, Income
 - ➤ Provided by ABAG: reviewed by local jurisdictions
 - Employment by Industry Type (Retail, Manufacturing, Service, etc.)
 - ➤ Summarized by Traffic Analysis Zone
- ➤ Multi-modal Transportation Network Inputs
 - ➤ Roadways, Transit Lines and Stations, Bicycle Paths, Pedestrian Paths
- ➤ Pricing Descriptors
 - ➤ Gasoline, auto operating, transit fares, parking costs, tolls

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Socio-economic Data Inputs



- ➤ VTA is required to use the official regional forecasts prepared by Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)
- ➤ ABAG prepared latest series used in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) known as ABAG Projections 2013
- ➤ Projections 2013 have been tailored to meet ABAG and MTC policy goals as well as meet GHG emission targets mandated by Senate Bill 375
- > VTA receives census tract data from ABAG
- ➤ Data are then allocated to smaller Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) for use in the VTA models

Allocation Procedure to VTA Model Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ)

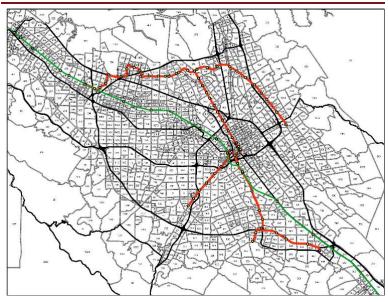


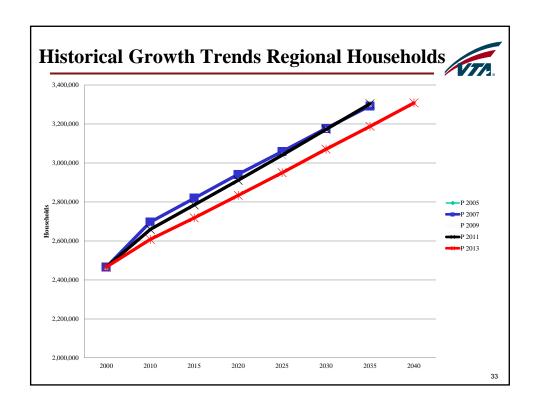
- > Start with development of base year 2010
- ➤ Households and population from 2010 Census
- ➤ Jobs from latest parcel data from Dataquick
- ➤ Allocated ABAG Census totals to Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs)
- ➤ Added in future growth from approved projects inventory
- ➤ Allocated to specific areas based on General Plan data from jurisdictions (if available)
- > Conserve to ABAG census tract control totals

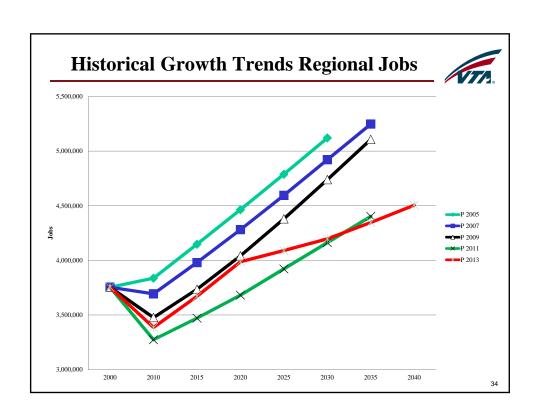
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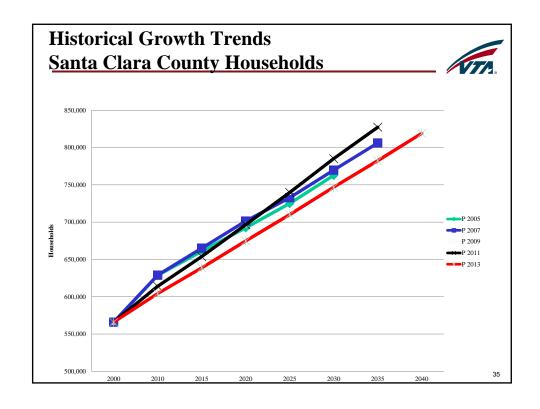
Countywide Model Traffic Analysis Zones

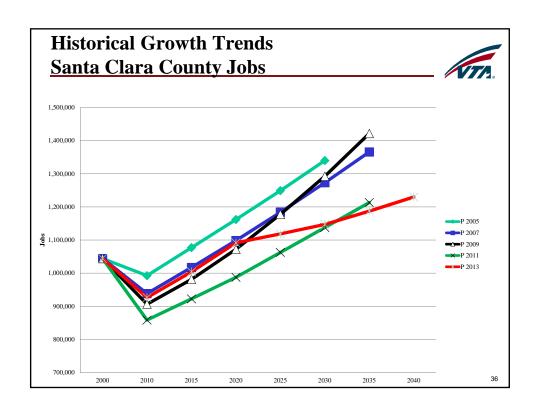


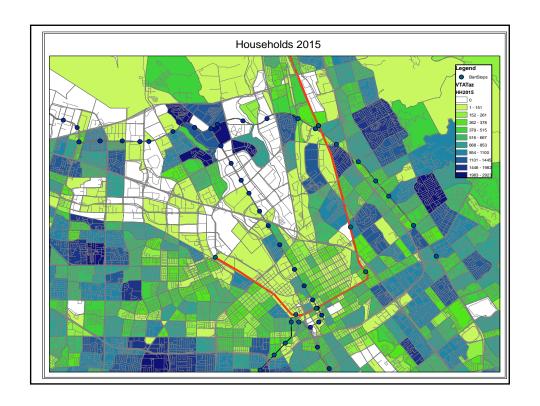


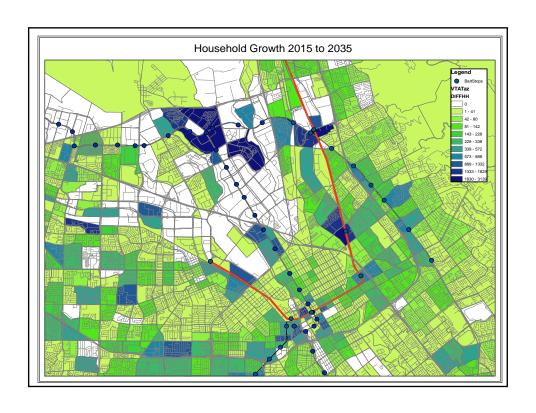


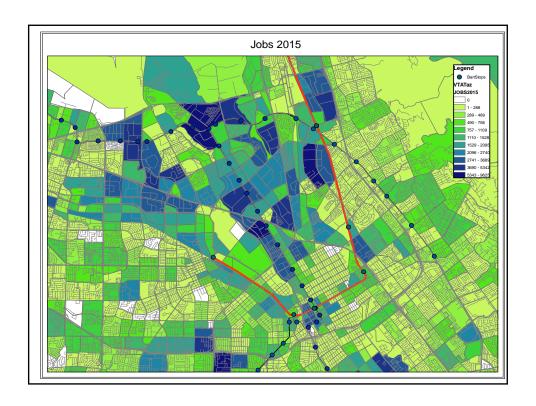


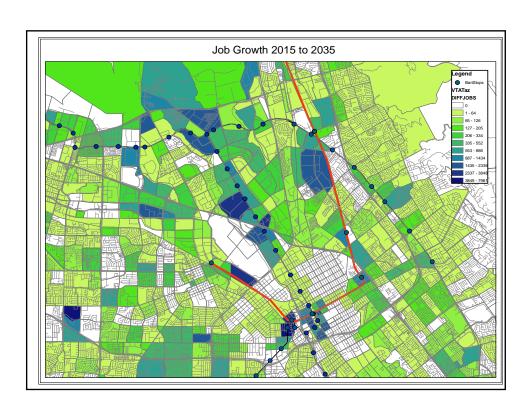


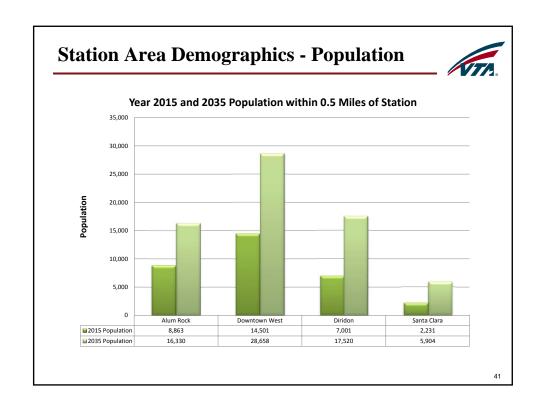


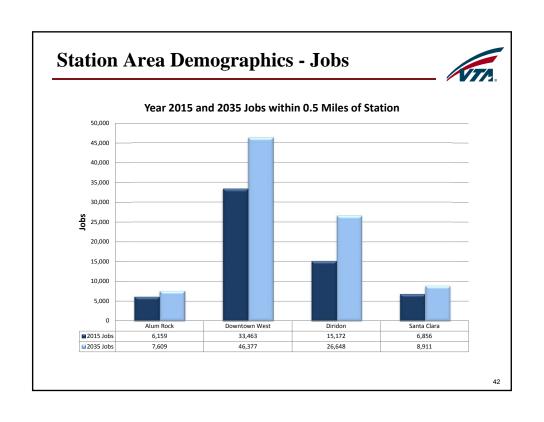












Highway and Transit Networks



- ➤ Highway Networks
 - Roadway attributes on network linksLanes, free-flow speeds, peak hour lane capacities, etc.
- > Transit Networks
 - ➤ Bus service utilizes road network speeds
 - > Rail and Ferry services use transit links with coded speeds
 - > Transit attributes include:
 - ➤ Frequencies (peak and off-peak)
 - > Fares
 - ➤ Stop/Non-stop coding
 - Access connectors (walk, transfer, park-and-ride)

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Model Calibration and Validation



- > VTA Models are Calibrated to Observed Data
 - ➤ 1990 MTC Home-Interview Travel Survey for Nonwork Trips
 - ➤ 2010 Census Data Travel Patterns for Work Trips
- ➤ VTA Models are Validated to Observed Traffic and Transit Patterns
 - ➤ AM and PM Peak Traffic Counts
 - ➤ Daily Transit Boardings by Operator (BART, Caltrain, VTA)

Year 2035 Forecast Networks



- Includes Funded Projects in the Adopted Regional Transportation Plan
- ➤ Major Transit Projects Include:
 - > VTA BART Extension to Silicon Valley
 - 2-Station Phase I in 2035 No Project (existing + committed projects included)
 - ➤ 4-Station Phase II in 2035 Project
 - Caltrain Electrification and Transbay Extension
 - >VTA Light Rail Improvements
 - ➤ Capitol Corridor Extension
 - ➤ Vasona Corridor Extension
 - ➤ Alum Rock-Mountain View (Long T) Line
 - > VTA ECR and Stevens Creek BRT Corridors
- ➤ Major Highway Projects Include:
 - ➤ VTA Express Lane Corridors Countywide
 - ➤ Various Countywide Roadway Improvements

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BART Silicon Valley Extension



- ➤ Model output used in all phases of Project Analysis
 - > Transit ridership
 - New transit trips and diverted transit trips
 - > Transit vehicle requirements
 - > Rail and bus vehicles
 - Station boardings by access/egress modes for station design
 - Park-and-ride spaces and required/kiss-and-ride drop-off
 - ➤ Transit transfers station design for feeder bus and shuttle access/egress

BART Silicon Valley Extension



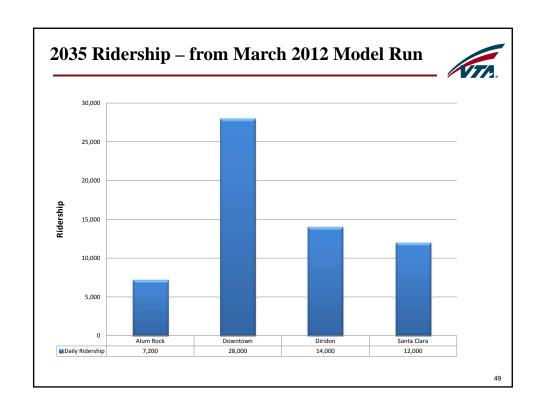
- ➤ Capital cost estimates
- ➤ Operating and maintenance cost estimates
- > Traffic volumes
 - > Station intersection level-of-service impacts

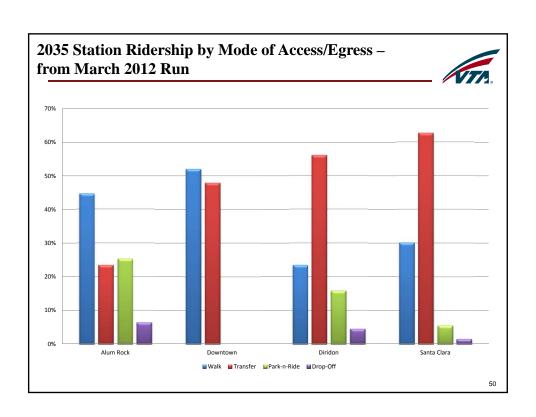
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EIR and FTA Ridership Requirements



- > Transit Ridership
 - ➤ No Project and Project
 - Existing Year (2015) and 20 year horizon (2035)
 - ➤ Opening Year 2025
 - ➤ New Starts final reported ridership is calculated as 50 % of existing and 50% of horizon ridership
 - ➤ FTA requires an estimate of project ridership made by transit dependents for VTA models these are lowest income riders estimated by the models





Questions??



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What's Next for Ridership?



- ➤ Continue Community Outreach efforts
- ➤ Support Environmental Documentation Process 2015 → 2017
- ➤ Coordinate with FTA for Review of Ridership Forecasts 2015 → 2017
- ➤ Incorporate updated ABAG Regional Growth forecasts when available (likely late 2016 → early 2017)
- ➤ New Starts Submittal (2017)



Existing City and Community Plans

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- Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace Strong Neighborhoods Initiative Plan (2002)
- BART Station Area
 Community Concept Plan ComUniverCity (2010)
- Five Wounds Area Urban Village Plans (2013)

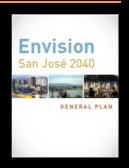




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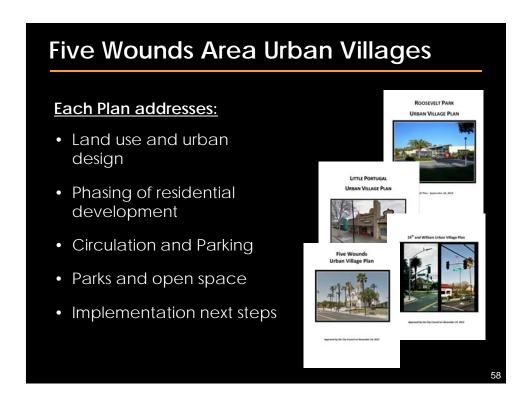
Five Wounds Area Urban Villages

- Implemented the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan
- Integrated the work of the BART Station Area Community Concept Plan (2010) and the Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace Strong Neighborhoods Initiative Plan (2002)
- Are the City's first City Council approved Urban Village Plans

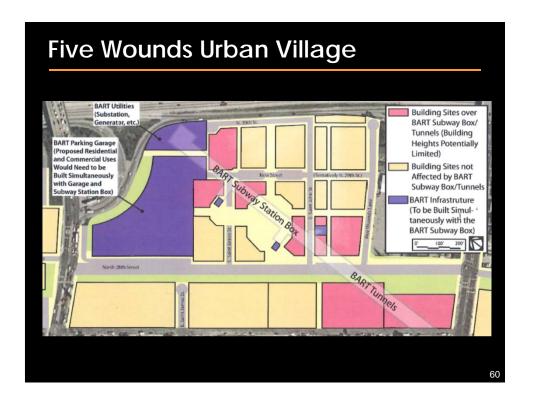






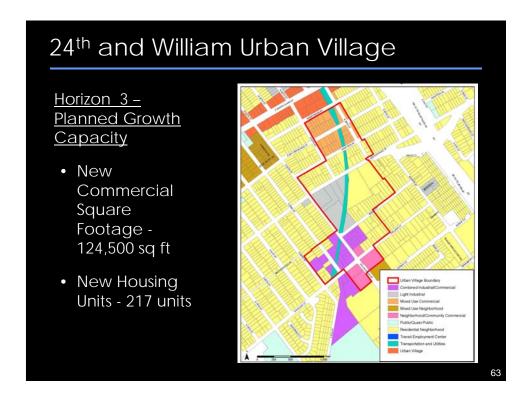






Little Portugal Urban Village Horizon 1 – Planned Growth Capacity New Commercial Square Footage - 82,000 sq ft New Housing Units - 310 units Little Portugal Urban Village Little Portugal Urban Village Little Portugal Urban Village Little Portugal Urban Village Figure 1. Land Use Designation & Milight Diagram





Pending BART Phase II Studies

Development Impact Study

- Identify anticipated impacts of BART upon development
- Evaluate existing Land Use plans and real estate market
- Identify opportunities/mechanisms to catalyze development
- Suggest changes to existing land use plans

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Access & Connectivity Study

Integrate BART Station into the Surrounding Environment

- Maximize Ridership
- Connect Seamlessly to Feeder Systems
- Enhance the Quality of Street Life
- Encourage Foot Traffic & Business Vitality



Access & Connectivity Study

Study Process

- Walk Audit & Workshop with Community Stakeholders (You!)
- Three-Day Charette
- Documentation of Stakeholder Input & Charette Outcomes

Save the Date: Tuesday, July 21st





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Discussion

Eileen Goodwin, Facilitator

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Next Steps



- Next meeting: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 ~ 4:00-6:00 PM,
 Mexican Heritage Plaza ~ BYOB
 - Financial Analysis of BART Phase II (VTA staff & Ernst and Young)
 - City related projects within the BART corridor (City of San Jose staff)
 - VTA related projects within the BART corridor (VTA staff)
 - Economic Analysis surrounding BART stations (SPUR staff)
 - Envision project update (VTA staff)
- Action Items