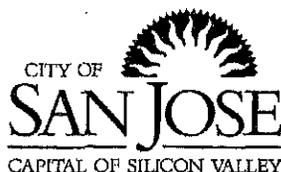


COUNCIL AGENDA: 1/25/11  
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# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR, CITY  
COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT  
AGENCY BOARD

**FROM:** Debra Figone  
Harry S. Mavrogenes

**SUBJECT:** GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMITTEE  
RECOMMENDATIONS

**DATE:** January 10, 2011

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**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 3/6  
**SNI AREAS:** Burbank/Del Monte,  
Delmas Park, Greater Gardner,  
Market Almaden

## RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board adopt resolutions:

- (a) Accepting the Good Neighbor Committee's recommendations as outlined in the attached *Diridon Station Area Framework for Implementation*;
- (b) Directing the City Manager and the Redevelopment Agency Executive Director to consider including the *Diridon Station Area Framework for Implementation* priorities in potential agreements, contracts and projects where appropriate as they become realized; and,
- (c) Directing the City Manager and Redevelopment Agency Executive Director to reengage the Good Neighbor Committee to meet periodically, or as needed, to be updated on progress and to provide input as projects develop.

## OUTCOME

Approval of these recommendations will provide clear, broadly supported guidance for implementation of future development in the Diridon Station Area and ensure a well informed and collaborative forum for appropriate future community engagement related to project implementation.

## **BACKGROUND**

On May 19, 2009, the City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board established the Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee (GNC). The purpose of the GNC was to provide a forum for neighbors and other stakeholders to work collaboratively in solving problems in the neighborhood that arose from development in the Diridon Station Area.

The GNC discussed potential impacts of existing and planned development and collaborated to recommend reasonable implementation priorities. The 31-member committee met 22 times over a 14 month period and achieved its purpose through the creation and unanimous adoption of the Diridon Station Framework for Implementation (Framework).

## **ANALYSIS**

The Framework represents the final product of the GNC and its recommendations to the City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board. The Framework focuses on six interest areas: land use, neighborhood quality of life, parking and traffic, parks and trails, pedestrian and bicycle connections and connectivity, and public transportation systems.

### *GNC Decision Making Process*

For each interest area the Framework identifies the top three priority objectives to guide future implementation. The priorities represent the GNC's advice to the City Council and Agency Board for addressing key impacts or issues when it is time for implementation.

The GNC developed its recommendations through a multi-step process:

1. Learn – For each of the interest areas the GNC was provided information on existing conditions and policies and best practices in the form of staff and expert presentations, studies, and reports that would provide a common level of knowledge on the subject.
2. Explore – The GNC discussed each interest area as a group and with staff.
3. List Objectives – The GNC created a draft list of priorities for each priority area.
4. Prioritize Objectives – The GNC tentatively selected the top three priorities for each interest area.
5. Review & Revise – The GNC reviewed and revised elements of the Framework throughout the process.
6. Adopt the Framework – At the final meeting, the GNC worked on and unanimously approved the Framework in its entirety.

All meetings were facilitated by City and Agency staff. The GNC did not follow Robert's Rules of Order; but rather, the decision-making process emphasized consensus building and consensual decision-making. The GNC included representation of neighbors, business interests and public transportation operators. Majority support from each of these four groups was required for an idea to become a priority.

The purpose of the Good Neighbor Committee recommendations is to support the development of the Diridon Station area as a destination and a great place. To that end, the recommendations contained within the Framework for Implementation are intended to support and encourage this development, and provide recommendations on how to implement it so that it is successful.

### **EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

The City Manager and Redevelopment Agency Executive Director will reengage the Good Neighbor Committee when High Speed Rail, Major League Baseball or Mixed-Use development begins to become a reality. This will allow for continued community communication and involvement.

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

The 31-member committee met 22 times over 14 months and achieved its purpose through the creation and unanimous adoption of the Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee: Framework for Implementation. In addition, a webpage was maintained through out the process hosted at <http://www.sjredevelopment.org/ballpark.htm>, and 25 email updates were sent out to an email list of over 400 individuals. A number of informational presentations were held throughout the City at the request of various Council Districts and neighborhood groups, and over a half dozen walking tours were conducted to educate the public about the Diridon Station Area and the work of the GNC.

The proposed action does not meet any of the criteria noted below for added outreach efforts. This memorandum will be posted to the City's website for the January 25, 2011, City Council Agenda.

- Criterion 1:** Requires Council action on the use of public funds equal to \$1 million or greater.
- Criterion 2:** Adoption of a new or revised policy that may have implications for public health, safety, quality of life, or financial/economic vitality of the City.
- Criterion 3:** Consideration of proposed changes to service delivery, programs, or staffing that may have impacts to community services and have been identified by staff, the Board or Council, or a community group that requires special outreach.

### **COORDINATION**

This memorandum was coordinated with the Department of Transportation; Planning, Building and Code Enforcement; the City Attorney's Office and the Agency's General Counsel.

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Attachment

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# *Framework for Implementation*

Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee

***Date Completed:***  
*September 7, 2010*

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*San Jose City Council*

***Prepared By:***  
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As directed by the Mayor and City Council, the purpose of the Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee (GNC) was to provide a forum for neighbors to work collaboratively in solving problems in the neighborhood that arise from development in the Diridon Station Area. The Good Neighbor Committee met 16 times and achieved their purpose through their creation of this *Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee: Framework for Implementation*.

This document represents the final product of the GNC and their recommendations to the City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board. The *Framework* focuses on six (6) interest areas; land use, neighborhood quality of life, parking and traffic, parks and trails, pedestrian and bicycle connections and connectivity, and public transportation systems. For each of the interest areas the *Framework* identifies the top three priorities to guide future implementation.

### **DESTINATION DIRIDON, THE VISION:**

- Diridon Station is **the way to San Jose**, you can get there from everywhere, you can get everywhere from there. – Quickly, easily.
- Diridon Station is the **hub of public transit and central place** of downtown San Jose, and a regional front door to Silicon Valley.
- **People of all kinds**, families, different generations, the cultural creatives, the professionals all **name Diridon as their favorite place**; to hang out, to play, to have fun, to meet, to work, to be.
- Diridon is a **great place surrounded by great neighborhoods**.
- **Trails and open space, parks and plazas**, the Guadalupe River and Los Gatos Creek, are amenities for an active Destination Diridon.
- The **great community events** of San Jose happen at Diridon Station – the concerts and the games, of course, but far more than that.
- The creation of a great place requires **excellent community engagement** and involvement throughout the process.

### **OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. City Council and the Redevelopment Agency Board should direct the City Manager and the Redevelopment Agency Executive Director to consider including the Framework for Implementation Priorities in potential agreements, contracts and projects where appropriate as they become realized.
2. City Council and the Redevelopment Agency Board should re-appoint a smaller ongoing Good Neighbor Committee to meet periodically (quarterly) or as needed to be updated on progress and provide input as projects develop.
3. The new Good Neighbor Committee should form three smaller working groups on Parking and Traffic/Connectivity, High Speed Rail/Diridon Station, and the Major League Ballpark, to be able to work on these key issues that are likely to be first out of the gate. These working groups could include members and experts from outside of the Good Neighbor Committee.

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## **LAND USE**

**MISSION:** The Diridon Station Area is the most significant opportunity for placemaking in San Jose. Development should integrate and expand into the existing downtown core and surrounding business districts.

## **GOALS:**

- Incorporate the priorities of the Framework for Implementation into the Diridon Station Area Master Plan.
- Incorporate the Diridon Station Area Master Plan into the Envision San Jose 2040 General Plan.
- Work with property owners in the core area, between, and including, the proposed Ballpark and the HP Pavilion, to develop a master implementation plan to ensure that new development and open spaces built in the core area are consistent with the Framework for Implementation.
- Prioritize development at Diridon to be mixed use, urban development that connects transit, jobs, housing, sports, entertainment, hotels, and the convention center.
- Acknowledge that OEI presents a constraint on the height of development in the Diridon Station Area.

## **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

1. Account for pedestrian activity and auto use in the Diridon Station Area by way of downtown parking, satellite parking and shuttles.
2. Design and plan the Diridon Station Area to attract meaningful sustainable jobs accessible to local residents to produce a net benefit to the local economy.
3. Take advantage of the weather and plan for outside uses and venues and destination retail spaces in the core of the Diridon Station Area.

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## **NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE**

**MISSION:** Development in the Diridon Station Area must provide protection for, and ongoing engagement with the surrounding community. In addition, the surrounding neighborhoods should benefit from the development. The Diridon Station Area investment should honor the past and embrace the future.

### **GOALS:**

- Mitigate potential adverse impacts to Neighborhood Quality of Life.
- Enhance existing Neighborhood Quality of Life.
- Ensure development and operations in Diridon Station Area are non-intrusive for the existing neighborhoods.
- Design development to include amenities and projects that draw residents from the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Design development to support safe neighborhoods and enhance the safety of surrounding neighborhoods.

### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

4. Mitigate noise impacts to neighborhoods.
5. Reflect all incomes in new, incoming residential development.
6. Maintain a program for the Diridon Station Area and abutting neighborhoods with enhanced services including street cleaning, security, park maintenance, sidewalk cleaning, litter and graffiti removal, similar to the current Groundwerx program.

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### **PARKING AND TRAFFIC**

**MISSION:** The Diridon Station Area is a destination that invites people to stay. A balance will be struck among all modes of travel that will support viable local public transportation. This balance must be attractive to and safe for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders, ensure an adequate parking supply, and support existing businesses.

#### **GOALS:**

- Provide and expand multimodal access to the Diridon Station Area.
- Provide equitable solutions to protect neighborhoods and business districts from the potential negative parking and traffic impacts of development in the Diridon Station Area.
- Ensure there is sufficient multimodal parking for the development in the Diridon Station Area.
- Reflect a significant reduction in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) in traffic and parking management in the Diridon Station Area, consistent with San Jose General Plan 2040.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

7. Create an equitable and comprehensive Transportation and Parking Management Plan (TPMP) for the entire Diridon Station Area, similar to and building upon the Arena TPMP that evolves with public transportation as it comes on line and coordinated with the City's Downtown Parking Management Plan.
8. Create a Diridon Station experience that is attractive to pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders, ensures an adequate parking supply, supports existing businesses and does not negatively impact neighborhoods.
9. Encourage the use of transit and increase transit ridership to greater than 20% in the Diridon Station Area.

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### **PARKS AND TRAILS**

**MISSION:** Development of the Diridon Station Area must use an integrated approach that mixes the built environment with the natural environment to promote San Jose as one of the Great Green Sustainable Cities for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

#### **GOALS:**

- Consider trails as both recreation and transportation assets by maximizing the connectivity between businesses, residents, and entertainment and recreation areas.
- Return any movement or loss of existing or planned park space to the community it was supposed to serve.
- Use natural habitat as the focal point for driving economic benefits by providing restoration, flood control and bio-diverse wildlife corridors that connect the future generations of San Jose residents with their natural environment.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

10. Emphasizes the waterways; Restore the natural setting of the waterways in the urban areas, including specifically that of the Los Gatos Creek as it passes under Montgomery Street and Park Avenue, and enhance the relationship of commercial uses (like restaurants) to waterways and trails to balance nature and commercial vibrancy.
11. Recognize parks, trails and open space as an economic driver and an opportunity for investment, therefore prioritizing parks and trails in the implementation process for the Diridon Station Area.
12. Create public-private partnerships for parks, trails, and open space for the Diridon Station Area.

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### **PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE CONNECTIONS AND CONNECTIVITY**

**MISSION:** The Diridon Station Area should be designed for people, using greener forms of mobility and transitioning away from cars, allowing vibrancy, safety and attractive connections.

#### **GOALS:**

- Develop attractive and safe connections in all directions between and through the Diridon Station Area and the adjacent neighborhoods to enhance neighborhood and visitor quality of life.
- Enhance connectivity to support businesses and the business districts, such as the Downtown, the Alameda, West San Carlos and Willow Glen.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

13. Ensure the Diridon Station Area, including any new construction, has secure bicycle parking/storage for bike commuters, casual riders and visitors.
14. Implement the existing bike and pedestrian master plans as adopted in the City's current Greenprint.
15. Improve all undercrossings in the Diridon Station Area and turn them into attractive visual assets to achieve safety and better pedestrian and bicycle experiences.

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### **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS**

**MISSION:** The Diridon Station will be the hub of all public transportation (including High Speed Rail, BART, Bus Rapid Transit, etc.) in the South Bay. While new public transportation systems will come online the City should not lose sight of existing transit options.

#### **GOAL:**

- Design public transportation (including High Speed Rail, BART, CalTrain, Bus Rapid Transit, etc.), with durable, graffiti resistant world-class structures and art.
- Ensure the public transportation decision making process is guided by environmental impact, social equity impact and economic impact.
- That the High Speed Rail EIR should evaluate an above and below grade option.
- Minimize impacts to the surrounding neighborhoods by all aspects of public transportation operations.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES:**

16. Ensure public transportation systems (including High Speed Rail, BART, CalTrain, Bus Rapid Transit, etc.) do not reduce the existing park land and trails or potential for more park lands and trails.
17. Mitigate vibration and noise effects.
18. Require that the High Speed Rail design use the Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) process to design elements such as grade separations, overcrossings of waterways, tunnels and/or elevated structures (within the context of comprehensive CEQA and NEPA review).

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## *Attachment A: Map of Diridon Station Area*



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### *Attachment B: Roster of Diridon Station Area Good Neighbor Committee*

1. Adobe Systems
2. Alameda Business Association
3. Burbank Del Monte NAC
4. California High Speed Rail Authority
5. Cahill Home Owners Association
6. College Park Neighborhood Association
7. Delmas Park NAC
8. District 3 Designee
9. District 6 Designee
10. Friends of the Guadalupe River and Gardens
11. Gardner Advisory Council
12. Georgetown Home Owners Association
13. Greater Gardner NAC
14. Greenbelt Alliance
15. HP Pavilion at San Jose
16. Market Almaden NAC
17. North Willow Glen Neighborhood Association
18. Parkside Home Owners Association
19. Reserved for possible Baseball Team Representative
20. San Jose Arena Authority
21. San Jose Downtown Association
22. San Jose Downtown Residents Association
23. Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
24. Shasta Hanchett Park Neighborhood Association
25. Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce
26. South Bay Labor Council
27. St. Leo's Resident
28. The Alameda Business at-Large:
29. West San Carlos Business Association
30. Willow Glen Neighborhood Association (including Palm Haven Area)
31. Xactly Corporation

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### *Attachment C: Meeting Schedule*

#### *Full Good Neighbor Committee*

<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>
1	Wednesday, June 10, 2009	Council Wing
2	Thursday, June 18, 2009	Walking Tour – Diridon Station Area
	Thursday, June 25, 2009	Walking Tour – Diridon Station Area
	Wednesday, August 19, 2009	Walking Tour – Diridon Station Area
3	Tuesday, July 21, 2009	Council Wing
4	Thursday, September 24, 2009	Council Wing
5	Thursday, October 29, 2009	Council Wing
6	Monday, December 7, 2009	Council Wing
7	Wednesday, January 27, 2010	Council Wing
8	Monday, February 1, 2010	Council Wing
9	Wednesday, February 17, 2010	Council Wing
10	Wednesday, March 17, 2010	Council Wing
11	Wednesday, April 21, 2010	Council Wing
12	Monday, May 3, 2010	Council Wing
13	Wednesday, May 26, 2010	Council Wing
14	Wednesday, June 23, 2010	Council Wing
15	Thursday, August 5, 2010	Council Wing
16	Tuesday, September 7, 2010	Council Wing

#### *Small Groups Meetings of the Good Neighbor Committee*

<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>
1	Thursday, July 8, 2010	Tower – 17 <sup>th</sup> Fl
2	Friday, July 9, 2010	Tower – 13 <sup>th</sup> Fl
3	Monday, July 12, 2010	Tower – 13 <sup>th</sup> Fl
4	Tuesday, July 13, 2010	Tower – 17 <sup>th</sup> Fl
5	Wednesday, September 1, 2010	Tower – 17 <sup>th</sup> Fl
6	Thursday, September 2, 2010	Tower – 17 <sup>th</sup> Fl

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## **Attachment D: Raw Voting Records**

*Note: After raw voting occurred, the Committee went through an editing and validation process to ultimately become the final recommendations. Final recommendation language might appear or be different from this document.*

### **I. PARKING AND TRAFFIC**

- 1.1. Create a comprehensive Parking and Traffic Management plan for the entire Diridon Station Area. 16
  - 1.1.1. The plan would include HP Pavilion, the potential Ballpark, Diridon Station and the space in between.
    - 1.1.1.1. Implementation Oversight Body.
      - 1.1.1.1.1. Neighborhood Representation.
- 1.2. The city should explore using an approach other than just Police Officers for traffic control and parking management of events. A Goundwerx-like crew could provide both traffic control and serve as ambassadors to the Diridon area. 4
  - 1.2.1. Ensure plan looks at daytime events. – single and double.
  - 1.2.2. Planning begins before development starts.
- 1.3. People choosing to go to the Diridon Station Area in cars need to be accommodated. 8
- 1.4. Strongly encourage and promote multimodal access to the Diridon Station Area.**
- 1.5. “CalTrain Access Plan”, which priorities transportation modes in the following order: Pedestrian, Bike, Transit, and Auto. 10
- 1.6. A range of access modes should be encouraged to access the Diridon Station Area. 0
- 1.7. Encourage the use of transit and increase transit ridership to over 20% in the Diridon Station Area. 9
- 1.8. Provide equitable solutions to protect neighborhoods and business districts from the potential negative parking and traffic impacts of development in the Diridon Station Area.**
- 1.9. Ensure there is sufficient parking for the development in the Diridon Station Area.**
  - 1.9.1. Short-term parking options, drop-off points.
  - 1.9.2. Long-term parking demands are addressed.
- 1.10. Utilize the existing dispersed parking downtown to serve the Diridon station area. 2
- 1.11. Do not fill the area between the HP Pavilion and a Ballpark with structured parking. 7
  - 1.11.1. Rely on existing connections to downtown, and create new connections to encourage people to park downtown and walk to Diridon.
- 1.12. Create Satellite Parking for games and events. 1
- 1.13. People who do choose to drive should be able to park outside of Diridon and have convenient transportation into Diridon. 0

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- 1.14. Permit parking should be expanded to protect neighborhoods. 7
  - 1.14.1. Permit parking should be paid for by the entity that creates the demand.
  - 1.14.2. Permit parking to protect neighborhoods should be expanded.
  - 1.14.3. Permit Parking for affected neighborhoods should be affordable or no cost for neighborhoods and easy for residents to use.
- 1.15. Ensure Public Transportation is tied into the development of Diridon. –  
WG 0
- 1.16. Encourage, support and collaborate with local transit agencies to support efforts in Diridon. 0
- 1.17. Locate future parking and manage traffic to not impact neighborhoods. 0
- 1.18. Parking Revenue District to fund improvements in the Diridon Station Area. 1
- 1.19. Permit Parking in residential neighborhoods. 0
- 1.20. Metered Parking in Business Districts. 0
- 1.21. **Consistent with San Jose General Plan 2040 traffic and parking management should reflect 40% reduction in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT).**

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### **2. NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE**

- 2.1. The quality of life of surrounding neighborhoods will be enhanced by better connections to the Diridon Station Area.
- 2.2. ***Impacts to Neighborhood Quality of Life need to be mitigated.***
- 2.3. Noise Impacts to neighborhoods need to be mitigated. 9
  - 2.3.1. There needs to be an ongoing process involving residents for addressing concerns about noise.
  - 2.3.2. Noise monitoring station around Ballpark.
  - 2.3.3. Setting Sound Levels.
  - 2.3.4. Oversight person to adjust sound levels.
  - 2.3.5. Adjust sounds levels in real time.
- 2.4. Vibration Impacts to neighborhoods need to be mitigated. 1
  - 2.4.1. Potential sources of vibration include both High Speed Rail and music concerts at the Ballpark.
- 2.5. ***Look for opportunities to enhance existing neighborhoods quality of life.***
- 2.6. ***The projects and new development in Diridon need to be non-intrusive for the existing neighborhoods.***
- 2.7. Equity – Incoming Residential development should reflect all incomes. 8
- 2.8. Equity – Parks, public services, and amenities should be prioritized.
- 2.9. Encourage below grade “submerged” design of the ballpark. 4
- 2.10. ***Amenities and projects that draw residents from the surrounding neighborhoods.***
- 2.11. Proper way-finding signage. 4
- 2.12. There should be ongoing community participation in, and oversight of the creation and implementation of the plan. 13 *MOVE TO Introduction*
- 2.13. Diridon Station Area plan should encompass and respect the existing and approved planning documents. 4
- 2.14. Lighting impacts on neighborhoods needs to be mitigated.
  - 2.14.1. Potential sources of light – ballpark and high-speed rail.
- 2.15. Permit parking should be paid for by the entity that creates the demand.
- 2.16. Overall Oversight body should include immediate surrounding neighborhoods and business districts.
- 2.17. Enhance security beyond the normal event detail in the west and south of Diridon Station. 4
- 2.18. Enhanced street cleaning, park maintenance, sidewalk cleaning, litter and graffiti removal, etc. in the surrounding areas. 6
- 2.19. ***New development should support safe neighborhoods and enhance safety of surrounding neighborhoods.*** 4
- 2.20. Enforce existing regulations to deter parking on lawns/creating parking lots on residential property.
- 2.21. Enforcement of parking by towing. 1
- 2.22. Existing parks should have restrictions against tailgate parties and cleanup should be supported.
- 2.23. Increased police presence in transit areas before, during and after events. 2
- 2.24. Parking fines need to be high to be effective.

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### **3. PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE CONNECTIONS AND CONNECTIVITY**

- 3.1. Enhanced Connectivity in all directions between the Diridon Station Area and the adjacent neighborhoods enhances neighborhood quality of life. 14**
- 3.2. Major Pedestrian and Bicycle only paths/thoroughfares beyond the current trail system, such as San Fernando. 3
- 3.3. Bike Rental Stations.
- 3.4. Develop the existing bike lane on Bird Ave into full permanent bike lanes with connectivity into the Diridon Area and beyond. 2
- 3.5. Implement the Alameda, Beautiful Way Program. 2
- 3.6. Connectivity should be increased to support businesses and the business districts, such as the Downtown, the Alameda, West San Carlos and Willow Glen. 10**
- 3.7. The Diridon Area, including any new construction, should have safe secure bicycle parking/storage for bike commuters, casual riders and visitors. 7
- 3.8. The plan maximizes the ability to travel within the Diridon Station Area on foot or bike. 4
- 3.9. Bike lane on Lincoln Ave.
- 3.10. Implement the existing bike and pedestrian master plans. 6
- 3.11. Connectivity during construction must be maintained or replaced if impacted. 1
- 3.12. Use every opportunity to enhance the bike and pedestrian experience.
- 3.13. Bike lanes are important to increasing the connectivity of businesses and the business improvement districts.
- 3.14. Prioritize pedestrian and bike access in the Diridon Station Area. 3
- 3.15. Safe bike and pedestrian system within the existing transportation system.
- 3.16. Pedestrian walkway into Downtown on San Fernando.
- 3.17. Enough crosswalks.
- 3.18. Accommodating skate borders and roller bladders.
- 3.19. Connect Bird Ave, San Fernando, Alameda, Park Ave, Lincoln, Guadalupe Trail North, Los Gatos Creek Trail and Auzerais bike lanes. 7
- 3.20. City and development community should pay particular attention to I-280 and Highway 87 and turn it into attractive visual assets to achieve safety and better pedestrian experience.

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### 4. PARKS AND TRAILS

- 4.1. Any loss of parkland or potential parkland needs to be replaced for that affected area. 11
- 4.2. Create an exemption for the City's Living-Wage Policy for the Diridon Station Area. 7
- 4.3. Opportunity to re-create a San Antonio like river-walk into the natural setting of the creek/river in the urban areas. 6
- 4.4. Recognize parks, trails and open space as an economic drive and an opportunity for investment therefore prioritizing parks in the implementation process for Diridon Station Area. 6
- 4.5. Enhance Opportunities for new open space, parks and plazas. 5
- 4.6. The Diridon Station area should cause the connection of trails. 1
  - 4.6.1. All disconnected bike and pedestrian trails should be connected in a hub in Diridon. 5
    - 4.6.1.1. Connecting Los Creek Trail and Guadalupe River Trail. 3
    - 4.6.1.2. The Los Gatos Creek Trail should connect in Diridon
    - 4.6.1.3. The Guadalupe River Trail Should connect in Diridon
    - 4.6.1.4. The Guadalupe Bike Trail Should connect in Diridon
- 4.7. The Autumn Street Parkway should be a Park that connects the trail and creek systems. 1
- 4.8. Investigate public-private partnerships for parks, trails and open space for the Diridon Station Area. 3
  - 4.8.1. Adding revenue generating events and activities to park master plans. 6
  - 4.8.2. Establish Community Facilities District to assist with funding for maintenance of parks, trails and open space.
  - 4.8.3. Business sponsorship, partnership for development and maintenance of parks, trails and open space.
- 4.9. Pedestrian and bike systems should be separate from street and rail network. 2
- 4.10. Green fingers concept integrated in the parks, trails and open space plans. 1
- 4.11. Existing or future parkland used for temporary construction purposes should be restored to its previous status before the construction took place at no cost to the city. 1
- 4.12. **Trails should be considered as both recreation and transportation benefits by maximizing the connectivity between businesses, residents, and entertainment and recreation areas.**
- 4.13. **Any movement or loss of existing planned park space should be returned to the community it was supposed to serve.**
- 4.14. **Natural habitat becomes the focal point for driving economic benefits by providing restoration, flood control and bio-diverse wildlife corridors that connect the future generations of San Jose residents with their natural environment.**

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### **5. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS**

#### **5.1. The design of HSR, whether above and/or below grade, needs to be world-class structures, art and graffiti proof.**

- 5.1.1. Design needs to reflect the surroundings.
- 5.1.2. Design around the eyes of a traveler coming to San Jose.
- 5.1.3. The Station should be a placemaking destination.

#### **5.2. Vibration and noise effects should be mitigated. 7**

#### **5.3. Social Equity - The High Speed Rail decision-making process should be informed by an understanding of Social Equity issues that arise for Diridon and the surrounding neighborhoods. 10**

- 5.3.1. Social Equity Issues of an above grade alignment must be understood.
- 5.3.2. Social Equity Issues of below grade alignment must be understood.

#### **5.4. Economic Impact – The High Speed Rail decision-making process should be informed by an understanding of the Economic Impact to Diridon and the surrounding neighborhoods. 11**

- 5.4.1. The Economic Impact of an above grade alignment must be understood.
- 5.4.2. The Economic Impact of a below grade alignment must be understood.
- 5.4.3. Economic impact study should include impacts to the airport. OEI

#### **5.5. THE HSR DECISION MAKING PROCESS MUST BE INFORMED BY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, SOCIAL EQUITY IMPACT AND ECONOMIC IMPACT.**

#### **5.6. Environmental Impact – The High Speed Rail decision-making process should be informed by an understanding of the Environmental Impact to Diridon and the surrounding neighborhoods. 6**

- 5.6.1. The Environmental Impact of an above grade alignment must be understood.
- 5.6.2. The Environmental Impact of a below grade alignment must be understood.

#### **5.7. High Speed Rail (All aspects of operations) should minimize impacts to the surrounding neighborhoods.**

- 5.7.1. The design of HSR should not divide existing and future neighborhoods, business districts and downtown but seek to enhance the connectivity of the Diridon and surrounding areas.
- 5.7.2. If the station is below ground it should still have public art and contribute to place making in Diridon.

#### **5.8. High Speed Rail should not reduce the existing Parkland and trails or potential for more parklands and trails. 11**

#### **5.9. Look at small “footprint” transit that can adjust to demands – Alameda. 2**

#### **5.10. Creating the Opportunity for Ultra Personal Pods or similar idea for San Carlos Ave. 1**

#### **5.11. Encourage Light Rail Station at San Carlos and Auzerais.**

#### **5.12. Advocate for full funding of transit options that enhance Diridon Station. (List to come from VTA).**

#### **5.13. Use existing monitoring system and plan at airport for the curfew and apply it to HSR operations. 4**

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- 5.14. HSR design shall combine CSS process within the context of comprehensive CEQA and NEPA review of design elements, such as grade separations, overcrossings of waterways, and elevated structures. 8
- 5.15. Advocate for full funding and demand of transit into Diridon Station, including BART and BRT.

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### 6. LAND USE

- ~~6.1.~~ The Diridon Station Area should be designed for People – not for cars. 11
- 6.2. Station needs to be welcoming and connected at all times. 0
- 6.3. The planning for the Diridon Station Area must understand the transit demands and the needs of the transit facilities and use that as the starting point for the planning. 7
- 6.4. The decision making process for both the Ballpark and High Speed Rail should be informed by an understanding of their respective Economic Impacts. 0
- 6.5. The Diridon Area is one of the most significant opportunities for placemaking in San Jose.**
  - 6.5.1. Do not set boundaries - flows to existing neighborhoods and resources**
  - 6.5.2. Every project and development in the Diridon Station area should contribute to placemaking.**
- 6.6. The Diridon Station Area should be different than it is today.
- 6.7. Pedestrian and traffic encourages people to connect to downtown. 9
- 6.8. There should be a binding agreement between City, developers and community stakeholders that institutes a method for tracking exceptions, violations and impacts in which fines occur they go back into the affected neighborhood. 5
- 6.9. Take advantage of the weather and plan for outside and destination retail spaces in Diridon between ballpark and the Arena. 8
- 6.10. Creating places for leisure and pleasure. – Slower pace.
- 6.11. The plan should take into account and address potential negative equity impacts making sure in the Diridon Plan creates “meaningful” jobs that are accessible to residents from the surrounding neighborhoods.
  - 6.11.1. Focus on middle income and sustainable jobs that produce a net benefit to our local economy. Affordable to all ranges of income. 10
- 6.12. Policy that ties to fiscal benefits to City and Agency be re-invested into the surrounding neighborhoods and business districts that are affected via a community input process. 5
- 6.13. Creating branch library space. 1
- 6.14. No auto orientated uses i.e. not freeway orientated (big box retail.) 2
- 6.15. Diridon Station Area should be considered its own Specific Plan**
- 6.16. Planning should not ignore the automobile. 5
- 6.17. Development at Diridon should prioritize mixed use, urban development that connects transit, jobs, housing, sports and entertainment, hotels, convention center (i.e., destination Diridon.)**
- 6.18. Consider Park Ave, San Carlos, and The Alameda in the planning.

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### **7. Miscellaneous**

- ~~7.1.~~ The Diridon Station Area should be home to, and encourage and support, a wide range of diverse businesses.
- 7.2. The Diridon Station Area should be developed in a manner that supports existing businesses.
- 7.3. Destination Diridon – Diridon should be a destination whether a Ballpark is built there or not.
  - 7.3.1. The planning for the area needs to look at both Diridon with a Ballpark and Diridon without a Ballpark.
- 7.4. The Diridon Station Area must be an economic driver for downtown and the City of San Jose.
- 7.5. Corporations and private developers must play a significant role in financing and supporting the development of Diridon as a place.
  - 7.5.1. Should look for ways of attracting corporate and developer support.
  - 7.5.2. Diridon should serve as a community a gathering space that functions as the backyard for residents and gathering space for all, everyday of the year.
- 7.6. Baseball needs to adhere to the Airport curfew.
- 7.7. As Diridon evolves what is the mechanism to bring new issues back? Oversight body – Pete K.
- 7.8. Ballpark should have “community use” built into the agreement. I.E. – CCS Playoffs.
- 7.9. Emergency Preparedness Plan for Diridon Station.
- 7.10. There should be ongoing community participation in, and oversight of the creation and implementation of the plans and projects in the Diridon Station Area.