



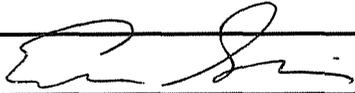
Memorandum

TO: TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

FROM: James R. Helmer

SUBJECT: VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (VTA) ACTIVITIES REPORT

DATE: 11-15-07

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RECOMMENDATION

Receive a presentation on the status of various Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) projects and programs of interest to the City of San Jose.

BACKGROUND

The Transportation and Environment Committee work plan includes the presentation of quarterly reports on current issues related to projects and programs involving the VTA. The report will include an overview presentation by City and VTA staff on key topic areas and then staff will be available for discussion of key items of interest to the Committee.

For the December 3rd meeting, topics expected to be addressed in the VTA report include the following:

- BART Project – Overall progress report and status of key issues such as Downtown Station Portal Location in Bank of America Lobby, BART Tunnel Alignment at Coyote Creek, Station Architecture Concepts, and Station Area Planning.
- VTP 2035 – The VTA is initiating an update to the 30-year transportation master plan for Santa Clara County. The updated plan is referred to as Valley Transportation Plan 2035 (VTP 2035). City staff is working with the VTA to have the previous VTP 2030 Plan updated to reflect regionally significant transportation improvements identified as part of current City planning efforts related to Downtown, North San Jose, Evergreen, Edenvale, and Coyote Valley, as well as projects from the Strong Neighborhoods Initiative program. A draft VTP2035 plan is proposed for community and policy review in Spring 2008.
- Highway Projects – Various highway projects are being developed by VTA for construction within the next five years. They include: Route 101/Tully Interchange Upgrade, Route 880 Widening (237 to 880), Blossom Hill/Monterey Area Pedestrian Overcrossing, Route

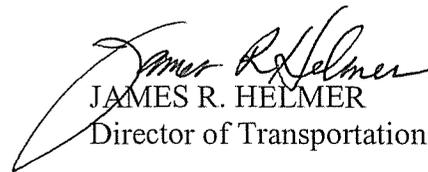
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101/Blossom Hill Interchange Upgrade, and Route 280/880/Stevens Creek Interchange Upgrade (Phase 1).

- Transit Projects – Various transit projects are being designed or studied. They include: Capitol Expressway Light Rail (Extension to Eastridge), Bus Rapid Transit (Line 522, Santa Clara/Alum Rock, Monterey Highway, and San Carlos/Stevens Creek), and the San Jose Mineta International Airport People Mover.



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