

**METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**
Meeting Transcript



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1 **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

2 **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

3 **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021, 9:35 A.M.**

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5 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. WELCOME TO
6 FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12TH. WE'LL GO AHEAD AND CALL THE MEETING TO
7 ORDER AND BROADCASTING TEAM YOU CAN PLEASE ROLL OUR
8 ANNOUNCEMENT? DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED
9 AS A ZOOM WEBINAR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL
10 361 WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS
11 MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEBSITE. THE CHAIR WILL
12 CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER
13 SPEAKERS, BY NAME, AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE
14 THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS
15 PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM, WITH THEIR CAMERAS
16 ENABLED, ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO
17 VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
18 BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK, SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE
19 OR DIAL STAR 9, AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE
20 APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON
21 BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED
22 THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT,
23 PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFOATBAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 P.M.,
25 YESTERDAY, WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED



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1 INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF
2 THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE
3 TO DO SO. THEY SHOULD RAISE THEIR HAND AND THE CHAIR WILL
4 CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL
5 BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD
6 NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE. IN ORDER TO GET THE
7 FULL ZOOM EXPERIENCE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP
8 TO DATE.

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10 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI.

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12 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** I APOLOGIZE. WHAT I SAID WAS THIS
13 IS THE OPERATION'S COMMITTEE MEETING. AND MARTHA PLEASE CALL
14 THE ROLL.

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16 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** CONNOLLY?

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18 **DAMON CONNOLLY, V. CHAIR:** HERE.

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20 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** AHN?

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22 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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24 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** FLEMING? NON-VOTING MEMBER GIOCAPINI?

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1 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** HERE.

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3 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO?

4 COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? COMMISSIONER SPERING?

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6 **JAMES P. SPERING:** PRESENT.

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8 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** WE HAVE A QUORUM.

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10 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YESTERDAY WAS

11 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE FLAG WE HAD VETERANS DAY AND IN

12 ACKNOWLEDGING OUR FLAG, I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE

13 VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY. MAY WE HAVE THE

14 COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT, PLEASE?

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16 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** AS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW I AM MAKING

17 THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT. EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD HERE

18 TODAY WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE \$100 PER MEETING ATTENDED UP

19 TO A MAXIMUM OF \$500 PER MONTH PER AGENCY. THIS AMOUNT IS A

20 PROVIDED AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH EACH

21 MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT SUCH AMOUNT.

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23 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. AND WE'RE ON TO THE

24 CONSENT CALENDAR. I NEED A MOTION AND A SECOND, PLEASE.

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1 **JAMES P. SPERING:** SPERING WILL MOVE IT.

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3 **DAMON CONNOLLY, V. CHAIR:** SECOND.

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5 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** OKAY, THE MOTION IS BY
6 COMMISSIONER SPERING, THE SECOND BY COMMISSIONER CONNOLLY.
7 AND MARTHA DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS
8 ITEM TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD?

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10 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
11 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
12 ON THIS ITEM.

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14 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** IN THAT CASE MAY WE PLEASE HAVE
15 OUR ROLL CALL VOTE?

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17 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** YES. CHAIR DUTRA-VERNACI?

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19 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** AYE.

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21 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** VICE CHAIR CONNOLLY.

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23 **DAMON CONNOLLY, VICE CHAIR:** AYE.

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25 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** AHN?



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2 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** CANEPA?

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6 **DAVID CANEPA:** AYE.

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8 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** FLEMING? LICCARDO? SCHAFF? SPERING?

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10 **JAMES P. SPERING:** PRESENT -- AYE.

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12 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS

13 PRESENT.

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15 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** ITEM 5A WHICH IS THE MTC COMMUTER

16 PARKING INITIATIVE, AND STEPHANIE IS GOING TO PRESENT THIS

17 ITEM. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ONLY ITEM.

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19 **STEPHANIE HOM:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS STEPHANIE HOM WITH DESIGN

20 AND DELIVERY. I HAVE A PRESENTATION. I AM GOING TO PRESENT AN

21 UPDATE ON THE COMMUTER PARKING INITIATIVE. I LAST PROVIDED AN

22 UPDATE TO THE COMMISSION IN SEPTEMBER 2019 AND SINCE THEN A

23 LOT HAS HAPPENED. SO WE THOUGHT THIS WAS A GOOD TIME TO COME

24 TO THE COMMISSION TO BRING ANOTHER UPDATE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE.

25 ASSOCIATION THE COMMUTER PARKING INITIATIVE IS PART OF OUR BAY



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1 BRIDGE FORWARD PROGRAM, WHICH AIMS TO MOVE MORE PEOPLE INTO
2 FEWER VEHICLES. AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM, WE CONSTRUCTED THREE
3 COMMUTER PARKING FACILITIES, THE FIRST ONE IS AT I80 IN
4 BUCHANEN, AND TWO IN OAKLAND, 880 FRUITVALE, AND 880 HIGH
5 STREET AND THE GOAL OF THESE COMMUTER PARKING FACILITIES IS TO
6 PROVIDE CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE TO TRANSFER ON TO
7 TRANSIT OR CARPOOL TO FINISH THEIR TRIP. THESE LOTS ARE IN
8 PARTNERSHIP WITH CALTRANS. WE DO HAVE A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
9 WITH CALTRANS. WE CONSTRUCT THESE LOTS UNDER, UNDERUTILIZED
10 SPACES UNDER FREEWAYS. SO THESE SPACES, LOCATIONS, THEY WERE
11 LOW VALUE, YOU KNOW, NOT A LOT OF OTHER OPTIONS TO DO SO. IT
12 WAS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO FIND A HIGH VALUE USE FOR THESE PARK
13 AND RIDE LOTS. IN ADDITION, THE DELIVERY OF THESE IS A UNIQUE
14 PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BOTH THE DESIGN AND PROJECT DELIVERY UNIT
15 AS WELL AS OUR FIELD OPERATIONS AND ASSET MANAGEMENT UNIT AT
16 MTC, WHERE DESIGN AND DELIVERY, WE DID THE PLANNING AND
17 PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THESE SITES IS THEN FIELD ASSET -- FIELD
18 OPERATIONS AND ASSET MANAGEMENT, THEY WILL CONTINUE THE
19 OPERATIONS OF THESE SITES. THESE SITES WILL OPERATE FOR A
20 THREE-YEAR PILOT, WHICH MTC IS COVERING ALL OPERATIONS AND
21 MAINTENANCE COST OF THIS. AFTER THE THREE YEAR PILOTS, WE
22 WILL EVALUATE THEIR PERFORMANCE, AND LOOK TO PARTNERSHIP OR
23 SEE OPPORTUNITIES WHERE OTHER AGENCIES SUCH AS THE CITIES OR
24 TRANSIT AGENCIES CAN TAKE ON OPERATIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
25 AS I MENTIONED, ONE OF THE GOALS OF THE PARKING FACILITIES IS



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1 TO PROVIDE CONVENIENT USER EXPERIENCE WE STAN INSTALLED A
2 NUMBER OF ENHANCEMENTS TO THESE LOTS WITH CONVENIENCE OF
3 STANDARD PARK AND RIDE LOTS INSTALLED REALTIME PARKING
4 OCCUPANCY DETECTION SYSTEM AND USER CAN CHECK WHAT THE PARKING
5 SITUATION IS LIKE BEFORE HEADING TO THE SITE. SOMETIMES WE GO
6 TO PARKING LOTS AND SOMETIMES LEAVE AS EARLY AS 5:00 A.M.
7 BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW THE PARKING SPOT SITUATION. SO THIS
8 AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION WILL ALLOW COMMUTERS TO SEE IF
9 THERE IS PARKING AVAILABILITY, IS IT LOOKING LIKE THERE ARE
10 SPACES OR IS IT ALREADY PACKED? AND IT WILL HELP PLAN THEIR
11 TRIP AHEAD OF TIME. THEY CAN THEN DRIVE, WALK, OR BIKE TO THE
12 PARKING LOTS THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ENHANCEMENTS TO ACCOMMODATE
13 THESE DIFFERENT MODES WE WILL HAVE SECURE ELECTRONIC BICYCLE
14 LOCKERS SO PEOPLE CAN FEEL SECURE LEAVING THEIR BIKE AT THE
15 LOCATIONS. IN ADDITION WE HAVE EV CHARGERS SO EVS CAN CHARGE
16 THEIR CAR WHILE PARKED AT THE LOT. USERS CAN ALSO PAY FOR
17 PARKING, USING A MOBILE PAYMENT APP, SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO
18 TO THE PAY STATION, WORRY ABOUT PUTTING YOUR CREDIT CARD, OR
19 FIGURING OUTPUTTING THAT DOLLAR INTO THE MACHINE, YOU CAN
20 PARK, GET ON YOUR PHONE, PAY FOR PARKING THROUGH THE APP. WE
21 WILL OFFER DAILY PARKING AS WELL AS MONTHLY PARKING FOR THE
22 SUPER COMMUTERS WHO WANT TO USE THE LOTS MULTIPLE TIMES A
23 WEEK, AND THEN FROM THERE, YOU CAN HOP ON TO TRANSIT OR
24 CARPOOL. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH AC TRANSIT, AND AC TRANSIT
25 WILL PROVIDE TRANSBAY SERVICE, AS WELL AS THROUGH THE BAY AREA



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1 COUNCIL AND UNDERSTANDING THE NEEDS OF EMPLOYERS. AND
2 EMPLOYERS ARE, THEY CAN USE THE LOTS FOR THEIR EMPLOYER
3 SHUTTLES, AS WELL. SO, NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, WHAT WE HAVE
4 BEEN UP TO SINCE WE LAST PROVIDED AN UPDATE IN SEPTEMBER 2019.
5 OBVIOUSLY, LIKE ALL THE OTHER PROJECTS IN THE REGION, AND JUST
6 IN GENERAL, THIS PROJECT WAS IMPACTED BY COVID-19. WE
7 ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO OPEN THE LOT LAST SUMMER, IN SUMMER
8 2020, AND WE WERE PRETTY MUCH READY TO GO. BUT EVERYTHING HAS
9 BEEN ON HOLD DUE TO COVID. FINAL CONSTRUCTION ENDED UP
10 COMPLETING IN EARLY 2019, SO IT'S ALL DONE. WE HAVE CLOSED
11 OUT. IF YOU DRIVE BY, THEY LOOK LIKE FULL FUNCTIONING PARKING
12 FACILITIES. AND WE HAVE HAD CONTRACT IN PLACE SINCE EARLY
13 2020. SO ALL CONTRACTS FOR PARKING OPERATIONS, THE ELECTRIC
14 VEHICLE CHARGERS, THE BIKE LOCKERS, OUR PARKING OCCUPANCY
15 SYSTEM AND VIRTUAL PARKING PERMIT SYSTEM, THEY HAVE ALL BEEN
16 READY TO GO. IN ADDITION, DURING THAT TIME, WE HAVE ALSO
17 PARTNERS WITH THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND THE UNITY COUNCIL TO
18 IDENTIFY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE FRUITVALE LOT,
19 IN PARTICULAR. THIS STARTED OUT AS A QUICK BUILD PROJECT WHERE
20 WE WERE GOING TO IDENTIFY ENHANCEMENTS THAT COULD BE INSTALLED
21 PRETTY QUICKLY. BUT THE CITY OF OAKLAND WAS ACTUALLY
22 INTERESTED IN MORE PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS, AND THIS WOULD
23 ALIGN WITH THEIR FRUITVALE ALIVE PROJECT. SO WE EXPLORED MORE
24 PERMANENT DESIGN OPTIONS. WE WORKED WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
25 AND LOCAL BUSINESS LEADERS IN THE AREA TO REALLY UNDERSTAND



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1 WHAT THEIR NEEDS ARE, WHAT THEIR INTERESTS ARE, AND WE HAD OUR
2 VIRTUAL SITE VISIT, AS WELL AS SEVERAL STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS TO
3 GET THEIR INPUT. IN THE END, WE LANDED ON A PREFERRED
4 ALTERNATIVE, AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THE -- OR WE CONTINUE TO
5 WORK WITH THE CITY OF OAKLAND TO LOOK FOR WAYS TO ADVANCE THIS
6 ALTERNATIVES ESPECIALLY AS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BECOME
7 AVAILABLE. SO, CURRENT STATUS, WITH CURRENT CONGESTION COMING
8 BACK ON THE BAY BRIDGE CORRIDOR AS WELL AS SUPPORTING TRANSIT
9 COMING BACK WE MADE A DECISION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH OPERATIONS
10 OF TWO OF THE THREE LOTS, WE WILL BE OPENING THE BUCHANEN
11 STREET LOT AND THE FRUITVALE AVENUE LOT THIS DECEMBER THEY
12 WILL BE BRANDED AS PIVOT POINT COMMUTER HUBS. BOTH LOTS WILL
13 ACCOMMODATE AC TRANSIT, TRANSBAY SERVICE. THE BUCHANEN LOT
14 THERE, IS AN EXISTING LA LINE THAT WILL ADD AN EXISTING STOP
15 TO OUR LOT, AND THE FRUITVALE AVENUE LOT THERE IS AN EXISTING
16 ON. LINE NEARBY. WE ARE MOVING AHEAD WITH OPENING ONE PARCEL
17 AT THIS TIME AND WHEN DEMAND INCREASES WE CAN OPEN THE OTHER 2
18 LOTS. HIGH STREET LOCATION THIS WAS ONE OF OUR PROMISING
19 LOCATIONS WHEN WE FIRST STARTED THIS PROJECT, BUT,
20 UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO -- DURING THE PANDEMIC, THIS LOT HAS
21 BEEN VULNERABLE TO A LOT OF THEFT AND VANDALISM AND ILLEGAL
22 DUMPING. WE HAVE INVESTED A LOT OF RESOURCES SO FAR JUST TO DO
23 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AND UNFORTUNATELY WE JUST DON'T HAVE
24 THE RESOURCES TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS OF THIS LOT.
25 ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE A FEW OTHER FACTORS. THERE IS NO AC



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1 TRANSIT SERVICE THAT STOPS NEARBY, AND WHEN WORKING WITH THE
2 BAY COUNCIL, WHILE EMPLOYERS WERE INITIALLY INTERESTED IN THIS
3 LOT, THEY HAVE SINCE CITED SAFETY CONCERNS AND ARE NO LONGER
4 INTERESTED. AND SO FOR THOSE REASONS, WE ARE NOT MOVING
5 FORWARD WITH OPERATING THIS LOT AS A COMMUTER PARKING
6 FACILITY. AND SO, AGAIN, WE DO PLAN TO OPEN THE BUCHANEN AND
7 THE FRUIT VALLEY AVENUE LOTS THIS DECEMBER STARTING A PERIOD
8 OF THREE YEARS. SO WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT. AND WITH
9 THAT, I AM HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

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11 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH MARTHA -- NOT
12 MARTHA -- STEPHANIE, I'M SORRY. I WAS LOOKING DOWN AT MY
13 PAPER. I DO SEE DOREEN WITH HER HAND UP. LET'S GO TO SEE WHAT
14 SHE'S GOT. YES, MA'AM?

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16 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** HI. I WAS JUST WONDERING ABOUT THE
17 OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE DISABILITIES WITH REGARD
18 TO, FOR EXAMPLE, PARKING IN HANDICAPS STALLS, THERE IS A
19 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VAN ACCESSIBLE STALLS AND REGULAR BLUE ZONE
20 STALLS. AND YOU KNOW, IN ANY OTHER OPTIONS THAT YOU CAN TELL
21 US ABOUT FOR FOLKS WITH VARIOUS DISABILITIES, AS PART OF THIS
22 PROGRAM?

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24 **STEPHANIE HOM:** THESE LOTS ARE DESIGNED WITH ADA STANDARDS SO
25 WE DO HAVE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF HANDICAPPED STALLS THERE IS



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1 ALSO A PARKING ATTENDANT THERE SO ANY ASSISTANCE NEEDED, THEY
2 CAN HELP WITH THAT. AND AC TRANSIT SITE ARE DESIGNED UP TO
3 STANDARDS I BELIEVE THE REQUIREMENT IS THEY SHOULD BE
4 ACCESSIBLE AS WELL. I BELIEVE WE'RE OPEN TO ANYTHING THAT YOU
5 MAY HAVE INPUT ON IN TERMS OF HOW WE CAN POSSIBLY UPGRADE
6 THESE SITES TO MAKE THEM MORE ACCESSIBLE.

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8 **DORENE M. GIACOPINI:** WHAT I MEANT WITH REGARD TO PARKING IS,
9 YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT BEING ABLE TO FIND OUT IF THERE WERE
10 PARKING SPACES AVAILABLE, AND, FOR SOME PEOPLE, REGULAR
11 PARKING SPACES ARE NOT, YOU KNOW, USABLE. AND SO I WAS
12 WONDERING IF THERE IS ANY KIND OF FURTHER BREAKDOWN INTO THE
13 TIME OF PARKING SPACES AVAILABLE? THERE IS ALSO ISSUES WITH A
14 LOT OF SAN FRANCISCO PARKING GARAGES THAT DON'T ACCOMMODATE
15 CERTAIN VANS BECAUSE THEY'RE TOO HIGH. THAT'S THE KIND OF
16 THING I'M TALKING ABOUT.

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18 **STEPHANIE HOM:** OKAY. THE AIR SPACES -- FOR YOUR ACCESSIBILITY
19 AND ACCOMMODATION VANS, I DON'T KNOW THERE WOULD BE A PROBLEM
20 WITH CLEARANCE FOR ACCESSIBLE VANS F THAT ADDRESSES YOUR
21 QUESTION, FOR THE AVAILABILITY OF ADA HANDICAP PARKING SPACES,
22 OUR PARKING DETECTION SYSTEM IT'S PRETTY SIMPLIFIED AND IS
23 GOING TO COUNT CARS COMING IN AND OUT IN ALGORITHM AND
24 IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES. SO UNFORTUNATELY AT
25 THIS TIME WE WON'T BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF ADA



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1 SPACES AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME BUT THAT'S SOMETHING WE CAN KEEP
2 IN MIND. ONE OF THE REASONS WE CHOSE THE PARKING OCCUPANCY
3 DETECTION SYSTEM THAT WE DID IS BECAUSE IT CAN BE FLEXIBLE TO
4 CHANGE OUT AS NEEDED SO AS TECHNOLOGY IMPROVES, WE CAN PUT IN
5 MORE UPGRADED TECHNOLOGY THAT WILL HOPEFULLY KIND OF
6 ACCOMMODATE THOSE TYPES OF ENHANCEMENTS.

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8 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THAT ANSWERS THAT. AMY WORTH?

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10 **AMY R. WORTH:** THANK YOU, CHAIR. IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE PART OF
11 THIS DISCUSSION. I REALLY WANT TO THANK STAFF FOR THEIR WORK
12 ON THESE PARK AND RIDE LOTS. ONE OF THE THINGS, THIS TIES IN
13 WELL WITH OUR WORK OF THE BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE, AS WELL AS
14 OUR TRANSIT PRIORITY INITIATIVES, AND, YOU KNOW, THE BRIDGE
15 FORWARDS PROJECTS. AND IF WE -- SINCE WE ARE -- YOU KNOW, ONE
16 OF OUR MAIN GOALS IS TO ENCOURAGE -- YOU KNOW, IS TO INCREASE
17 CARPOOL USE OF THESE BRIDGES, AS A SIGNIFICANT WAY TO REDUCE
18 CONGESTION. SO, YOU KNOW, I'M PARTICULARLY EXCITED ABOUT THE
19 BUCHANEN LOT, WHICH WILL BE REALLY -- WILL BE REALLY HELPFUL
20 ON THE RICHMOND BRIDGE. AND AS YOU KNOW, 60% OF THE COMMUTERS
21 ON THE RICHMOND BRIDGE COME FROM THE EAST BAY EITHER ALAMEDA
22 OR CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. SO THIS SLIDE IS WELL POSITIONED TO BE
23 ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE INDIVIDUALS THAT WANT TO CARPOOL ON THAT
24 BRIDGE. SO I JUST REALLY WANT TO THANK STAFF. AND WE BEGAN
25 THIS INITIATIVE WAY BEFORE THE COVID, AND KNOWING THAT THAT --



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1 YOU KNOW, HAVING PARKING TO ACCOMMODATE CARPOOLS IS REALLY AN
2 IMPORTANT ELEMENT, AND WE'RE FINDING, NOW, HOW FORTUNATE WE
3 ARE, BECAUSE THE BRIDGE FORWARD INITIATIVES WILL REALLY BE
4 WELL-SERVED BY THESE LOTS. SO I WANT TO THANK STAFF

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6 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THE REMINDER AND
7 IMPORTANCE OF HOW WE TIE IN WITH EVERYTHING. I DON'T SEE ANY
8 OTHER COMMISSIONERS WITH HANDS UP. AND I HAVE A QUESTION
9 BEFORE WE CHECK WITH OTHER FOLKS. I NOTICED IN THE
10 PRESENTATION, AS FAR AS BICYCLES GO FOR THE BICYCLE LOCKERS,
11 YOU MENTIONED THEREFORE THE ELECTRIC BICYCLES, NOW IS THERE
12 GOING TO BE SIGNAGE AS SUCH? BECAUSE I'M THINKING THAT OTHER
13 FOLKS THAT DON'T HAVE ELECTRONIC BICYCLES MAY WANT TO PUT
14 THEIR BIKES INTO THOSE LOCKERS?

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16 **STEPHANIE HOM:** I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THEY'RE ELECTRONIC
17 BICYCLE LOCKERS, SO THEY'RE NOT JUST FOR ELECTRIC BIKES. SO WE
18 CONTRACTED WITH A COMPANY CALLED E-LOCK. THEY HAVE BIKE
19 LOCKERS, CALLED BIKE LINK, THEY HAVE BIKE LOCKERS AT BART
20 STATIONS IN OAKLAND, AND EVEN SOME SHOPPING CENTERS, THEY ARE
21 BASICALLY A METAL BOX AND THERE IS A LOCK ON THERE AND YOU CAN
22 PUT YOUR BICYCLE IN THEM THEY'RE NOT JUST FOR ELECTRIC
23 BICYCLES, BUT THE LOCKER THEMSELVES IS ELECTRIC.

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1 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** OKAY. I MISUNDERSTOOD THAT. THANK
2 YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION AM FAMILIAR WE DO HAVE THOSE LOCKERS
3 HERE AT OUR UNION CITY BART STATION. THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE
4 ANY COMMISSIONER HANDS UP. MARTHA DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC
5 COMMENTS FOR THIS ITEM? WRITTEN, THAT IS.

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7 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** THERE IS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
8 RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM, AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
9 WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. HOW MUCH TIME WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE
10 THEM?

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12 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** TWO MINUTES BECAUSE WE HAVE A BIG
13 DAY IN FRONT OF US.

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15 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** OKAY. FIRST UP IS ALETA DUPREE. GO AHEAD
16 AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

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18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, CHAIR, DUTRA-VERNACI AND MEMBERS. ALETA
19 DUPREE FOR THE RECORD, SHE AND HER. GOOD PRESENTATION. I KNOW
20 WHAT IT'S LIKE TO DEAL WITH THE DIFFICULTIES OF PAID PARKING.
21 AND THERE ARE MANY WHO HAVE CARS, AND THIS WILL HELP THEM WITH
22 THE LAST MILE PLAN THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO DRIVE INTO SAN
23 FRANCISCO. IT'S KIND OF HARD GETTING AROUND NEW YORK CITY IN A
24 CAR. I HAVE DONE IT MANY TIMES. I CERTAINLY THINK THERE HAS
25 TO BE CLARIFICATION WITH THE ALLOTMENT AND NOTIFICATION OF



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1 SPACE AVAILABILITY. THAT DIVIDES OUT THE ADA SPACES FROM THE
2 GENERAL PUBLIC SPACES. BECAUSE IF YOU SAY YOU HAVE 100 SPACES,
3 AND YOU HAVE TEN THAT ARE ADA, WELL, THERE IS REALLY ONLY 90
4 SPACES AVAILABLE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC. AND SO WE DON'T WANT
5 TO HAVE AN OVERLAP SITUATION WHERE AN ADA CUSTOMER DOESN'T
6 HAVE SPACE, OR A GENERAL PUBLIC CUSTOMER WHO FIND THAT THEY
7 DON'T HAVE A SPACE. I THINK WITH THE SOFTWARE CHANGE WE CAN
8 FIX THAT. BECAUSE SPACE IS INTENDED FOR DIFFERENT POPULATIONS,
9 NEED TO BE CLARIFIED. AND I NOTICED THAT THIS FRUITVALE
10 LOCATION IS NEAR BART SO WE CAN ALSO HIGHLIGHT THAT BART IS
11 AVAILABLE IS THEY RUN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. AND IT'S NOT THAT FAR
12 AWAY. SO I THINK WE'RE DOING SOMETHING GOOD HERE. WE CAN'T
13 MAKE HIGH SHEET WORK UNFORTUNATELY BUT THERE ARE OTHERS PEOPLE
14 WHO HAVE CARS NEED TO HAVE A WAY TO GET TO TRANSIT SO THEY
15 DON'T HAVE TO DRIVE ALL THE WAY INTO THE CITY, WITH THE MOBILE
16 PAYMENT CASH VENDING MACHINES IS AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO
17 HAPPEN, WE HAVE TO KEEP IT SECURE CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFT IS
18 A PROBLEM. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO OPENING UP AND STREAMLINING.
19 THANK YOU.

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21 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER
22 ATTENDEES WITH THEIR HAND UP. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ONLY
23 ITEM. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO ITEM SIX WHICH IS GENERAL PUBLIC
24 COMMENT. MARTHA DO WE HAVE ANY GENERAL WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT
25 RECEIVED BY 5:00 YESTERDAY?



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2 **CLERK, MARTHA SILVER:** NO PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.
3 AND THERE ARE TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED
4 FOR IT.

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6 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. LET ME SEE THEN WHAT WE
7 HAVE. ALETA DUPREE, LET'S START WITH YOU. TWO MINUTES, PLEASE.

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9 **SPEAKER:** THAT OF QUICK. CHAIR DUTRA-VERNACI, ALETA DID YOU --
10 ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD SHE AND HER. I SPEAK IN GENERAL
11 TERMS MOSTLY COME TO OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS BECAUSE OF
12 YOUR OVERSIGHT OF THE CLIPPER IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO ME
13 OPERATIONALLY, IMPORTANT IN MY LIFE, AND WITH CLIPPER START
14 EVERY TIME SOMEBODY DROPS IN CASH OR BUY'S A PAPER PARTICULATE
15 THAT'S A LIKELY CUSTOMER FOR CLIPPER START WHICH MEANS THEY
16 CAN SAVE MONEY, 20 TO 50%. AND I WANT PEOPLE TO USE CLIPPER
17 START AND GET ON TRANSIT, AND JUST HAVING ALL THAT MONEY
18 FLOWING AROUND IS AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN FOR ALL
19 CONCERNED. HOW CAN WE AS MTC, A UNIFYING AGENCY WITH AN EYE
20 TOWARDS SERVING PEOPLE HELP GET 27 DIFFERENT TRANSIT AGENCIES
21 ON BOARD WITH THIS IDEA OF SERVING PEOPLE IN THE HIGHEST, BEST
22 MANNER? TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING. POLICY HAS TO KEEP UP WITH
23 THAT. THANK YOU.

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1 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU ALETA. NEXT UP IS
2 ROLAND LEBRUN.

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4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. SO, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT
5 TO SAY I REALLY APPRECIATE WHAT THE COMMISSION IS DOING TO
6 PRESERVE AND ACTUALLY ENHANCE COMMUTER PARKING IN OAKLAND. BUT
7 I WOULD LIKE BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION, VTA'S SYSTEM SYSTEMATIC
8 -- CALTRAIN IN PARK LOTS SANTA CLARA COUNTY CALTRANS IS NOT
9 ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY -- [INDISCERNIBLE] THE DEMAND WAS OVER
10 A THOUSAND CARS EXPANDING TO NEIGHBORHOODS THE ENTIRE STATION
11 PARKING LOT IS GONE CONVERTED TO TOD. WE JUST MANAGED TO SAVE
12 GILROY WHICH WILL BE THE FUTURE END OF THE LINE FROM THE SAME
13 FATE. IT TOOK TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO DO IT. LAST COMMISSION
14 MEETING THE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, TO MUST CAPITAL STATION
15 PARKING FROM INDUSTRIAL TO HOUSING. WE NEED THE COMMISSION TO
16 URGENTLY [INDISCERNIBLE] ALL CALTRAIN PARKING IN SANTA CLARA
17 COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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19 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, CHAIR:** THANK YOU ROLAND. OKAY. I DON'T
20 SEE ANY OTHER HANDS RAISED. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM SEVEN, WHICH IS
21 ADJOURNMENT. SO, BEFORE I ADJOURN THE MEETING, I'LL REMIND
22 EVERYBODY THAT OUR NEXT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING IS GOING
23 TO BE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, AT 9:35 REMOTELY. WITH THAT,
24 THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. [ADJOURNED]



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