

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, October 1, 2020

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's (VTA) Board of Directors (Board) was called to order by Chairperson Chavez at 5:32 p.m. via video and teleconference.

1.1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Marie Blankley	Alternate Board Member	Absent
Jeannie Bruins	Ex-Officio Member	Present
Larry Carr	Board Member	Present
Magdalena Carrasco	Board Member	Present
Cindy Chavez	Chairperson	Present
David Cortese	Board Member	Absent
Dev Davis	Alternate Board Member	Absent
Lan Diep	Board Member	Present
Susan Ellenberg	Alternate Board Member	Present
Glenn Hendricks	Vice Chairperson	Present
Charles "Chappie" Jones	Board Member	Present
Liz Kniss	Alternate Board Member	Present
Sam Liccardo	Board Member	Present
John McAlister	Board Member	Present
Howard Miller	Alternate Board Member	Present
Bob Nuñez	Board Member	Present
Teresa O'Neill	Alternate Board Member	Present
Raul Peralez	Board Member	Present
Rob Rennie	Board Member	Present

* Alternates do not serve unless participating as a Member.

A quorum was present.

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance commenced.

1.3. Orders of the Day

Chairperson Chavez referenced the Revised Agenda reflecting the updated recommendation language for **Agenda Item #6.3.**, SR 85 Investment Strategy. She noted that the revised staff report was in the online Agenda packet.

Chairperson Chavez noted the meeting would adjourn in memory of Charlotte Powers, former VTA Board Member and former Citizens Advisory Committee Member.

Public Comment

Tessa Woodmansee, Interested Citizen, commented about the following: 1) public speaker time; and 2) importance of public comment.

Roland Lebrun, Interested Citizen, requested the Board hear **Agenda Item #7.5.**, Authorization for Public-Private Partnership Agreement with Google, LLC for VTA's Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Silicon Valley Extension Phase 2, immediately after **Agenda Item #7.1.** Silicon Valley Rapid Transit (SVRT) Program Update.

Blair Beekman, Interested Citizen, thanked the Board for their ongoing best practices.

Evelyn Robinson, Interested Citizen, made the following comments: 1) urged the Board to find solutions and funding to prevent cutting service; and 2) noted the benefits of public transit, specifically in reducing traffic congestion.

Chairperson Chavez noted that **Agenda Item #7.5.**, Authorization for Public-Private Partnership Agreement with Google, LLC for VTA's BART Silicon Valley Extension Phase 2, would be heard immediately following **Agenda Item #7.1.**, Silicon Valley Rapid Transit (SVRT) Program Update.

Members of the Board spoke about Charlotte Powers' years of public service.

M/S/C (Carr/Hendricks) to accept the Orders of the Day.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED – Agenda Item #1.3
MOVER:	Larry Carr, Board Member
SECONDER:	Glenn Hendricks, Vice Chairperson
AYES:	Carr, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, McAlister, Nuñez, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Carrasco

NOTE: M/S/C MEANS MOTION SECOND AND CARRIED AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. AWARDS AND COMMENDATION

2.1. Employees and Supervisor of the Quarter for the Fourth Quarter of 2020

The Board recognized the following: 1) Thalia Young, Board Assistant, Office of the Board Secretary; 2) Herod Dorton, Coach Operator, Chaboya Operations; 3) William Hawthorne, Light Rail Signal Maintainer, Way, Power, & Signal Department; as Employees of the Fourth (4th) Quarter of 2020; and 4) Adolf Daaboul, Senior Transportation Engineer, Rail & Facilities Programs Department, as Supervisor of the Fourth (4th) Quarter of 2020.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Board Member Carrasco joined the video and teleconference at 5:49 p.m.

Theadora Abraham, Board Assistant, noted that written public comment from the following Interested Citizens was provided to the Board and can be found in the online agenda packet:

- Mr. Beekman
- Zoe Vulpe

The following Interested Citizens urged the Board to find solutions and funding to prevent transit service cuts, noting the need to run public transit at 100%. They further commented that by cutting service at any capacity would have an impact on paratransit, reducing traffic congestion, and the ongoing climate crisis.

- Peter
- Kevin Ma
- Christine Fitzgerald
- Natasha Cougoule
- Hoai-An Truong
- Gary
- Cristina Phan
- Logan Leak
- Maithilee Kanthi
- Shahin Saneinejad
- David
- Brian Preskitt
- Monica Mallon
- Annabelle
- Emily Thomas
- Peri Plantenberg
- Neil
- Patrick Harris
- William Tang

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the need to address climate change.

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) referenced his written public comment for **Agenda Item #1.3.**, Orders of the Day; 2) numeration of the agenda; and 3) funding sources dedicated to VTA.

Shiv Shah, Interested Citizen, commented about the following: 1) lack of safety for bicyclists; and 2) how to make public transit more accessible.

Eugene Bradley, Silicon Valley Transit Users, commented about the following: 1) tax dollars being used for Capital projects; and 2) solutions to prevent service cuts.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) East Bay government agencies; and 2) Caltrain's willingness to take an \$18 million loss and no fare increases.

The following Citizens expressed support for **Agenda Item #7.4.**, Authorization for Public-Private Partnership Agreement with Google, LLC for VTA's BART Silicon Valley Extension Phase 2, and urged the Board to move forward with staffs' recommendation.

- Kelly Macy, Vice President of Development, Republic Metropolitan
- Vince Rocha, Interested Citizen
- Emmy, Interested Citizen

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chairperson's Report

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chairperson Schulter provided a report on CAC's meeting of September 9, 2020; and reflected on Charlotte Powers' years of service.

5.2. Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Chavez noted the Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) Chairperson's report was included in the online agenda packet.

5.3. Standing Committee Chairpersons' Report

Chairperson Chavez noted that the Standing Committee Chair reports were included in the online agenda packet.

Board Member Jones provided a brief report on the Safety, Security, and Transit Planning & Operations (SSTPO) meeting of September 16, 2020. He noted that on September 21, 2020, he had the opportunity to test VTA's new high-tech Bus Simulator, which is used for training operators.

5.4. Policy Advisory Board Chairpersons' Report

Chairperson Chavez noted that the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector (EBRC) Policy Advisory Board Chair report was included in the online agenda packet.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the following: 1) public speaking time; and 2) Santa Clara County Grand Civil Jury Report.

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) 2000 Measure A Citizens Watchdog Committee FY 2019 Annual Report and Publication Strategy report at the CAC/CWC meeting; and 2) 2000 Measure A funds used for BART.

Mr. Beekman thanked the public for their comments.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Board Member Liccardo requested that **Agenda Item #6.3.**, SR 85 Investment Strategy, be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda.

Public Comment

Mr. Beekman referenced **Agenda Item #6.1.**, Bus Shelter Procurement P16227 Contract Amendment, and suggested an Ethics Committee be established to address recently approved advertisement for VTA transit stations.

Mr. Lebrun referenced **Agenda Item #6.8.**, Light Rail Update for Diridon Planning Efforts & Next Generation Study and **Agenda Item #7.5.**, Authorization for Public-Private Partnership Agreement with Google, LLC for VTA's BART Silicon Valley Extension Phase 2, and commented about the following: 1) how to make the future Diridon station more integrated; and 2) provided suggestions about how VTA could raise funds.

Ms. Woodmansee referenced **Agenda Item #6.5.**, FY 2020 SR 237 Express Lanes Operations Report, and commented about the following: 1) reducing carbon emissions; and 2) the need to redirect BART funds.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (A&F) COMMITTEE

6.1. Bus Shelter Procurement P16227 Contract Amendment

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to authorize the General Manager to amend procurement Contract P16227 Bus Shelters with Brasco International, Inc. by extending the contract term to May 31, 2022 or until all bus shelters in the contract are delivered and accepted by VTA, whichever occurs sooner. This recommended action will not change the contract value and there is no financial impact.

6.2. Award of Contract SAP Enterprise Asset Management Enhancement

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with LSI Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$3,985,000 for the implementation of an SAP Enterprise Asset Management System which will enhance user experience, phase in mobility features, interface in real time to existing Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and become fully compliant with Federal Transit Administration, State of Good Repair Reporting Requirements.

6.3. (Removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda.)

Accept the SR 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB) recommendation for a transit lane project on SR 85 and proceed with an alternatives analysis.

6.4. Programmed Project Monitoring - Quarterly Report

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive the Programmed Projects Quarterly Monitoring Report for April - June 2020.

6.5. FY 2020 SR 237 Express Lanes Operations Report

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive update on the SR 237 Express Lanes Fiscal Year 2020 Operations Report.

6.6. Tamien and Blossom Hill Station Access Studies

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to accept findings from Tamien and Blossom Hill Station Access Studies.

SAFETY, SECURITY, AND TRANSIT PLANNING & OPERATIONS (SSTP&O) COMMITTEE

6.7. COVID-19 Transit Service Changes

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive information on transit service changes made during 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

6.8. Light Rail Update for Diridon Planning Efforts & Next Generation Study

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive update on Diridon Planning Activities and the Next Gen Study.

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT (G&A) COMMITTEE

6.9. General Liability and Workers' Compensation Claim Payments and Settlements for Fourth Quarter Fiscal

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive the General Liability and Workers' Compensation Claim Payments and Settlements for Fourth Quarter Fiscal 2020.

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6.10. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2020

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2020.

6.11. Unapproved Minutes/Summary Reports from VTA Committees, Joint Powers Boards (JPB), and Regional Commissions

M/S/C (Hendricks/Jones) to receive unapproved Minutes/Summary Reports from VTA Committees, Joint Powers Boards (JPB), and Regional Commissions.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Items #6.1-6.2; 6.4-6.11
MOVER:	Glenn Hendricks, Vice Chairperson
SECONDER:	Chappie Jones, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carrasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, McAlister, Nuñez, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

7. REGULAR AGENDA

Board Member Nuñez left the video and teleconference at 6:32 p.m.

6.3. SR 85 Investment Strategy

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the importance of having Board Members who specialize in transit.

Ms. Abraham noted that written public comment from the following Interested Citizens was provided to the Board and were included in the online agenda packet:

- Manzanita Works
- Rod Sinks, City of Cupertino
- Gary Latshaw, Interested Citizen
- Connie Cunningham, Cupertino Housing Commission

- Lloyd Holmes, DeAnza College
- Judy Miner, Foothill-DeAnza Community College District
- Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action and Sierra Club Loma Prieta
- City of Sunnyvale
- City of Cupertino, City of Los Altos, Town of Los Gatos, City of Mountain View and City of Saratoga
- Fremont Union High School District, Sunnyvale School District and Cupertino Union School District
- City of Mountain View

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) recognized Director Peralez for supporting the concept of getting the same corporate shuttle data as San Francisco; and 2) suggested looking at not charging corporate shuttles toll if shuttles are electrified.

Ms. Mallon expressed support for staff's recommendation.

Jim Stallman, Interested Citizen, recommended that Stevens Creek trail extension be included as part of the project, noting it would free up bicycle and pedestrian money.

Mr. Bradley commented about the following: 1) bicycle and pedestrian issues; and 2) any solution to the SR 85 corridor should include extending to Santa Teresa Blvd.

The following individuals expressed support for the staff recommendation:

- Neil
- Rod Sinks
- Monica Mallon
- Ms. Cougoule
- Ms. Truong

Members of the Board and staff had a robust discussion about the following: 1) low density areas; 2) funds for local bus service; 3) the possibility of engaging in a development plan that would generate density and support transit; 4) how to justify transit in low density areas; 5) not limiting the study; 6) SR 85 serving more cities than those along the corridor, particularly those traveling from south county; and 7) clarification about the boardings per hour in the analysis; 8) Eastridge to BART Light Rail Extension versus SR 85 project Study, noting voters were promised a solution to the congested SR 85 corridor; 9) language in the memo stating "may include" to address potential station placement because of the land use, but will need further analysis; 10) a commitment made to the West Valley cities that would designate funds from the 2016 Measure B sales tax to assist with a solution for SR 85; 11) the work put forth by the SR 85 Policy Advisory Board (PAB) Committee; 12) whether or not to amend the recommendation; 13) VTA being a congestion management agency; and 14) the need to make transit relevant.

Deborah Dagang, Chief Planning and Programming Officer, provided clarification about what the current recommendation included, but reported that the motion could be amended to look into the following: 1) existing versus planned land use; and how that could impact ridership; and 2) what the land use could be to further enhance transit.

Members of the Board expressed concerns about the following: 1) the conversation implying to only invest transit in high density areas; 2) preventing the study from moving into the next phase; 3) Board Members thinking locally versus regionally; 4) influencing cities about land use; and 5) the lack of Board consistency across the county as it relates to transit investments.

Member McAlister moved the staff recommendation and Member Rennie seconded the motion.

Member Peralez offered a substitute motion, which Member Liccardo seconded.

M/S/F (Peralez/Liccardo) on a vote of 4 ayes, 7 noes and 0 abstentions to accept the SR 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB) recommendation for a transit lane project on SR 85 and proceed with an alternatives analysis. Furthermore, to conduct analysis around land use along the corridor to increase transit in the area. Board Members Carr, Chavez, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, McAlister, and Rennie opposed

RESULT:	FAILED – Substitute Motion for Agenda Item #6.3.
MOVER:	Raul Peralez, Board Member
SECONDER:	Sam Liccardo, Board Member
AYES:	Carrasco, Diep, Liccardo, Peralez
NOES:	Carr, Chavez, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, McAlister, Rennie
ABSENT:	Nuñez

M/S/C (McAlister/Rennie) to accept the SR 85 Corridor Policy Advisory Board (PAB) recommendation for a transit lane project on SR 85 and proceed with an alternatives analysis.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Item #6.3
MOVER:	John McAlister, Board Member
SECONDER:	Rob Rennie, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, McAlister, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Nuñez

Board Member McAlister left the video and teleconference at 7:35 p.m.

NOTE: M/S/F MEANS MOTION SECOND AND FAILED.

7.1. Silicon Valley Rapid Transit (SVRT) Program Update

Takis Salpeas, BART Silicon Valley Extension Project Chief, provided a presentation, entitled VTA's BART Silicon Valley Program.

Public Comment

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) Phase I being over budget; 2) referenced a Public Records Act (PRA) he submitted regarding Phase II; and 3) keeping the Board informed about the BART project costs; noting that staff did not provide a slide reflecting the funding sources.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) structure safety for the downtown San Jose stations; 2) SAP Center being a potential BART station.

Upon inquiry of Members of the Board, Nuria I Fernandez, General Manager/CEO, reported that a lessons learned report would begin once any litigations have concluded, and that the Auditor General would also conduct a full audit.

On order of Chairperson Chavez and there being no objection, the Board of Directors received the Silicon Valley Rapid Transit (SVRT) Program Update.

The Agenda was taken out of order.

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7.5. Authorization for Public-Private Partnership Agreement with Google, LLC for VTA's BART Silicon Valley Extension Phase 2

Ms. Fernandez provided opening remarks noting the historic aspect of the public/private partnership.

Ron Golem, Director of Real Estate & Transit Oriented Development provided a staff report and provided a presentation highlighting the location of the agreement sites in the Diridon Station area.

Public Comment

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) using additional 2000 Measure A funds for the BART project, 2) deferring the item; 3) focusing on a P3 agreement for the downtown VTA area to satisfy Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements; 4) including Google and BART in the design process in order to create a more integrated station at Diridon; and 5) add the City of San Jose's west development agreement to VTA's requirements.

Ms. Abraham noted that written public comment from Mr. Lebrun was provided to the Board and was included in the online agenda packet.

Mr. Beekman commented about the design process and location sites.

Alex Shoor, Catalyze SV, commented about the following: 1) air rights; and 2) using VTA land near the station for public use.

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the following: 1) reducing BART's impact; 2) how to reduce fossil fuels; and 4) the location of maintenance yards.

A Member of the Board thanked Google for their role in this agreement, specifically for investing in the community and building housing, including affordable housing.

M/S/C (Hendricks/Liccardo) to authorize the General Manager to enter into a Public-Private Partnership Agreement (P3 Agreement) and execute all documents necessary to effect a P3 Agreement with Google LLC for VTA's BART Station area at West Santa Clara and Cahill Streets (Diridon BART Station).

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Item #7.5
MOVER:	Glenn Hendricks, Board Member
SECONDER:	Sam Liccardo, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carrasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	McAlister, Nuñez

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (A&F) COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Regular Agenda from the Administration and Finance Committee.

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM & PLANNING (CMPP) COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Regular Agenda from the Congestion Management Program & Planning Committee.

SAFETY, SECURITY, AND TRANSIT PLANNING & OPERATIONS (SSTP&O) COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Regular Agenda from the Safety, Security, and Transit Planning & Operations Committee.

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT (G&A) COMMITTEE

There were no items submitted for the Regular Agenda from the Governance and Audit Committee.

CAPITAL PROGRAM COMMITTEE

7.2. Proposed Criteria and Scoring for Inaugural Strategic Capital Investment Plan

Board Member Hendricks provided opening remarks and introduced Stephen Flynn, Sr. Policy Analyst, and Marcella Rensi, Deputy Director, Grants and Funds Allocation, who provided a presentation about the Strategic Capital Investment Plan (SCIP) and Project Prioritization and Scoring Process.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee thanked Board Members Liccardo and Carrasco for recognizing the climate crisis.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) transparency as it relates to Capital projects; and 2) land use and transit along SR 85.

M/S/C (Hendricks/Rennie) to approve the proposed criteria and scoring to be used in evaluating and prioritizing projects for the five (5) year element of the inaugural VTA Strategic Capital Investment Plan under development.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Item #7.2
MOVER:	Glenn Hendricks, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Rob Rennie, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carrasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, O’Neill, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	McAlister

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7.3. Resolution to Begin the Process for a Section 218 Agreement for the VTA/ATU Pension Plan and CalPERS Pension Plan Coverage Groups

Chairperson Chavez provided a report about the resolution to begin the process for a Section 218 Agreement for the VTA/ATU Pension Plan and CalPERS Pension Plan Coverage Groups.

The following Union Leaders and VTA employees expressed support for staff’s recommendation and thanked Board Chairperson Chavez, Vice Chairperson Hendricks, Board Member Miller and VTA management for their support; and for creating a plan to ensure that Section 218 is passed in order to correct this oversight.

- Tammy Dhanota, SEIU, Vice President
- John Pospishek, ATU 265, Vice President

- Steve Jovel, ASFME, President
- Stanley Young, TAE, IFPTE

Chairperson Chavez commended Union leaders for their cooperativeness and efforts in assuring their Members were fully informed on what needs to be done. Chairperson Chavez noted the Union leaders held additional meetings with their Members to answer any questions. Chairperson Chavez also thanked VTA staff for their hard work during this time.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the need to continue working from home.

Ms. Abraham noted written public comment from Shelly Albright, Interested Citizen, was provided to the Board and was included in the online agenda packet.

Mr. Beekman commented about funding needs and agreements.

Members of the Board made the following comments: 1) meetings were held with Union leaders, VTA management, and Board Members regarding Section 218, noting the meeting information can be found on VTA's website; 2) noted the importance of the vote; and 3) thanked all parties involved for how they worked together during this process.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Item #7.3
MOVER:	Glenn Hendricks, Vice Chair
SECONDER:	Rob Rennie, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carrasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Liccardo, O'Neill, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	McAlister

M/S/C (Hendricks/Rennie) to adopt, and authorize the Board Chairperson to execute, resolutions as to each of the VTA/ATU Pension Plan Coverage Group and the CalPERS Pension Plan Coverage Group (as defined herein) substantially in the following form:

- a) Requesting authorization from the State Social Security Administrator to conduct a majority vote election for Social Security coverage (Election);
- b) Establishing the effective date(s) of Social Security coverage;
- c) Stating that no optional exclusions from Social Security coverage are to be requested;
- d) Naming Elaine Baltao, Board Secretary, as the Local Election Officer who will conduct the Election on behalf of VTA; and

- e) Specifying whether the plan of combination of Social Security and the respective pension plan(s) will be modified or unmodified.

Board Member Nuñez returned to the video and teleconference at 8:22 p.m.

7.4. Third Extension of Exclusive Negotiations Agreement Between VTA, City of Santa Clara, and Republic Metropolitan for the Santa Clara Caltrain Park & Ride Lot Transit-Oriented Development Project

Mr. Golem provided an overview of the staff report and provided a presentation highlighting the site stations.

Ms. Abraham noted written public comment from Silicon Valley Leadership Group was provided to the Board and was included in the online agenda packet.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the following: 1) reducing fossil fuels; and 2) stopping the BART to San Jose extension from traveling to Santa Clara transit center.

Mr. Shoor commented about improving the community engagement process; and offered his assistance to VTA and/or City of Santa Clara.

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) support for the project; 2) how to generate income for BART Phase II; and 3) the removal of Caltrain parking at the Diridon station.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) thanked the public for their comments; and 2) low income housing.

Members of the Board discussed the following: 1) Exclusive Negotiations Agreement (ENA); and 2) the need to progress in a timely manner without compromising efficiency.

M/S/C (Carr/Nuñez) on a vote of 10 ayes, 0 no, and 1 recusal to authorize the General Manager to enter into a series of 90-day extensions, up to a total potential extension term of one year, to the Exclusive Negotiations Agreement (ENA) between VTA, the City of Santa Clara (City), and Republic Metropolitan (Developer) for the Santa Clara Caltrain Station Park and Ride Lot Transit-Oriented Development project (Project). During the first 90-day ENA extension period, Republic Metropolitan must satisfactorily address identified project risks to VTA and the City in order to receive a subsequent 90-day ENA extension(s). Board Member Liccardo recused.

RESULT:	APPROVED – Agenda Item #7.4
MOVER:	Larry Carr, Board Member
SECONDER:	Bob Nuñez, Board Member
AYES:	Carr, Carrasco, Chavez, Diep, Ellenberg, Hendricks, Jones, Nuñez, Peralez, Rennie
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	McAlister
RECUSED:	Liccardo

8. OTHER ITEMS

8.1. General Manager Report

Ms. Fernandez provided a report, highlighting the following: Healthy Transit Plan Bay Area, noting it this was a coordinated effort to keep public transit safe and healthy for riders; 2) conducted an interview with K. Jane Williams, Federal Transit Deputy Administrator, on September 17, 2020; and 3) the 2016 Measure B Placemat.

Jay Tyree, Transportation Planning Manager and Jonnie Tolosa Manager, provided a presentation on ridership.

Captain David Lera provided a presentation about Public Safety for the month of September.

Raj Srinath, Deputy General Manager/Chief Financial Officer, provided a brief report about VTA's bond refinancing, noting the total savings from 2015 and 2020 were excellent and exceeded expectations.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee commented about the following: 1) roles of city representatives; and 2) sidewalk safety during the pandemic.

Mr. Lebrun commented about the following: 1) funds for the BART Project and ridership; 2) delaying implementation of bus route 568.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) public safety report; and 2) thanked staff for all their work.

Members of the Board made the following comments: 1) commended Ms. Fernandez and VTA staff for their work during the pandemic and pre-pandemic; and 2) requested to agendaize at the Standing Committee meetings a discussion about ridership numbers, people getting passed up, coupled with the public safety report; noting the importance for the public to understand how VTA is responding.

8.1.A. Government Affairs Update

Ms. Fernandez noted that the Government Affairs report was included in the agenda packet found on VTA's website.

8.2. Chairperson's Report

There was no Chairperson's report.

8.3. ITEMS OF CONCERN AND REFERRAL TO ADMINISTRATION

There were no items of concern and referral to Administration.

8.4. Announcements

Elaine Baltao, Board Secretary, announced that for **Agenda Item #7.2.**, Proposed Criteria and Scoring for Inaugural Strategic Capital Investment Plan and **Agenda Item #7.3.**, Resolution to Begin the Process for a Section 218 Agreement for the VTA/ATU Pension Plan and CalPERS Pension Plan Coverage Groups, Alternate Member O'Neill voted on behalf of Member Nuñez.

Public Comment

Ms. Woodmansee requested that Board Members provide a reason for recusal on an Agenda Item to have complete transparency.

Mr. Beekman commented about the following: 1) VTA's long term goals; 2) SR 85 corridor; 3) Board Members having consistency when it comes to decisions.

Chairperson Chavez thanked Ms. Fernandez and all VTA employees for their work, particularly those working directly with the public and those who are providing public safety for the riders.

9. CLOSED SESSION

There were no closed session items.

10. ADJOURNMENT

On order of Chairperson Chavez and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m. in memory of Charlotte Powers, former VTA Board Member and former Citizens Advisory Committee Member.

Respectfully submitted,

Theadora Abraham
VTA Office of the Board Secretary