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Cc: [Karen Hardy](#); [Carol Shariat](#); [Michael Liw](#); [Steve Chan](#)
Subject: Re: April BPAC - Subcommittee and Reporting Attachments
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Hi all,

We had a VTA BPAC meeting this Wednesday, March 13. As always, the full packet is available on the portal: http://santaclaravta.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=4148

- The BPAC sent a letter to the VTA Board, outlining our goals and activities. That letter is attached.
- We heard a report and commented on the Equitable VMT reduction program.
- We evaluated the proposed bicycle and pedestrian facilities in an improved Zanker Road - 101 interchange.
- We evaluated complete streets features proposed for the Bascom Avenue corridor.
- We heard an information item about available funding sources for large capital projects.
- In the consent agenda, we looked at informational reports about the 2016 Measure B-funded Education and Encouragement Program activities and about the results of VTA's recent Countywide Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign

I also had the chance to ask Ben Aghegnehu, Associate Transportation Planner with County Roads and our BPAC liaison, for an update on what is happening on San Tomas and when, especially as relates to pedestrian and bicycle improvements. This is what he sent me:

San Tomas Expressway Pavement Rehabilitation Project between El Camino Real and US-101
Measure B Local Streets and Roads funds funded this project.

The pavement rehabilitation project rehabilitates the existing pavement and improves pedestrian bicycle and signal facilities. The project includes but not limited to:

- Removing and replacing existing ADA curb ramps to current standards
- Modify existing median and traffic islands
- Removing and replacing damaged sidewalks
- Provide new pavement markings
- Removing and replacing existing street-side signs with current standards
- Traffic signal improvements
- Installing new innovative pedestrian sensors and touchless pedestrian push buttons

We are going to the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project on 4/16/2024.

Construction is anticipated to begin at the earliest in the latter half of June 2024.

Take care,

Betsy Megas

On Mon, Mar 4, 2024 at 12:06 AM Betsy Megas <dvortygirl@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi all,

Here are my notes from the February 7 VTA BPAC meeting. There will be one more on March 13 before we meet again for the city.

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- The VTA Board approved the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan. With the encouragement of the BPAC and members of the public, the board asked for an addition about better coordination of trail detours.
- The VTA BPAC reviewed proposals for the Monterey Road corridor in San Jose and the Highway 17 interchanges at Lark Ave. and Highway 9.
- The VTA BPAC heard an informational item on the Transit-Oriented Communities program and grant overview. Some of this grant money is intended to be available to community organizations and nonprofits. This is the first year of what's intended to become a perennial program.

A couple of announcements not from the BPAC meeting:

- In January, I joined a small group of people who rode on Stevens Creek with Winter Consulting, from the Cupertino post office to Woodhams Road. Winter Consulting is now working on another ride to cover the east end of the corridor in early April. We're only looking for about 15 people for this survey/infrastructure ride, but if you'd like to attend or help organize, please get in touch.
- The El Camino Real ride will be May 11 this year. It will start at the Santa Clara transit center and go all the way to Palo Alto. Sign up here:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-el-camino-real-ride-santa-clara-to-palo-alto-registration-790549072557?aff=oddtcreator>

Take care,

Betsy Megas

On Thu, Feb 15, 2024 at 3:07 PM Ralph Garcia <RGarcia1@santaclaraca.gov> wrote:

Hello BPAC Members (Bcc'd),

If you are on a BPAC subcommittee or another group that reports to BPAC and would like to attach any documents to the staff report for the April BPAC meeting, please email me by end of day **March 1st**. If you do send attachments, please also cc Chair Hardy.

- VTA BPAC Verbal Update – Megas
- Stevens Creek Boulevard Vision Study Community Advisory Group – Penvenne
- Santa Clara Station Area Task Force Update – Ganesh
- Subcommittee on Bike Story Map – Megas and Penvenne
- Subcommittee on Police Collision History – Donoghue and Kratz
- Subcommittee on Bike to Shop Day – Megas, Kratz, and Harrison
- Subcommittee on Roundabouts – Megas, Ganesh, and Kratz

Thank you,

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