



Agenda Report

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Presentation by the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) on the Proposed 2021 Transit Service Plan

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Promote and Enhance Economic, Housing and Transportation Development and Enhance Community Engagement and Transparency

BACKGROUND

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is currently working on the proposed 2021 Transit Service Plan for the Santa Clara Valley. The 2021 Transit Service Plan will mark the VTA's return to a "normal" service network following the emergency COVID-19 transit network that has been in operation since March 2020. Due to impacts from COVID-19 which includes lower sales tax revenues, new travel patterns, and lower ridership, VTA staff have developed three transit service scenarios that reflect a 10-, 20-, and 30-percent reduction in service hours when compared to the pre-COVID baseline network.

DISCUSSION

Since May 2020, VTA has been preparing for the 2021 Transit Service Plan and below is a timeline for this effort.

- May to August 2020: VTA Staff initiated the service planning process for 2021
- September to October 2020: Community & Committee engagement on VTA Staff proposals, including Title VI service equity analyses and discussion at Board Workshop
- October 2020: VTA Staff will consider plan revisions based on community input
- November 2020: VTA committees consider final plans
- December 2020: VTA Board considers and adopts final plan
- December 2020 to February 2021: VTA Staff conducts implementation activities to begin new service on February 8, 2021

At the November 10, 2020 City Council meeting, VTA will provide Council with an update on the Proposed 2021 Transit Service Plan. VTA has also developed a website for this effort for community information (www.vta.org/projects/2021-transit-service-plan <<https://www.vta.org/projects/2021-transit-service-plan>>).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This is an information report only and no action is being taken by the City Council; no environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") is required.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the City other than administrative staff time.

COORDINATION

This report has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>>.

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