Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Work Program – Legislative – Planning Committee (WPLP) 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos CA

MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:	C. Stone (Chair), C. Chavez
MEMBERS ABSENT:	S. Heminger
STAFF PRESENT:	M. Bouchard, D. Hansel, J. Harrison, S. Petty, B. Tietjen, L. Low, A. Simmons, M. Hansen, T. Burgwyn, D. Seamans, S. Wong

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Charles Stone called the subcommittee meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

District Secretary Dora Seamans called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, commented on posting reports from the Program Oversight Committee not being on the website. He commented on trains arriving, needing storage, and pushing trains with diesel in the interim.

4. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 26, 2021

Motion/Second: Chavez/Stone Ayes: Chavez, Stone Noes: None Absent: Heminger

5. AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH PROLOGIS 4TH & KING LLC FOR JOINT DELIVERY OF THE CALTRAIN SAN FRANCISCO RAILYARDS PRELIMINARY BUSINESS CASE

Anthony Simmons, System Wide Planning and Policy Director, provided the presentation, which included the following: background on the perpetual easement, redevelopment, Prologis' work to date, and the next phase of work on site development and the delivery of preliminary business case/ operations analysis.

Public comment

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, commented on closed captioning, no physical connection at 4th and King, San Francisco Planning Department delays, platform length, and the need for more capacity at 4th and King.

Vaughn Wolffe, Pleasanton, commented on having an open-air plan or solar panels, and long duration storage.

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, commented on existing platform specifications, longer trains, and the capacity of future Caltrain service.

The Board members had a discussion and in response to the Board comments and questions, staff provided clarifications on the adequacy of current platform lengths, and the request to have the memorandum of understanding (MOU) in the packet sent out to the Board.

Motion/Second: Chavez/Stone Ayes: Chavez, Stone Noes: None Absent: Heminger

6. UPDATE ON SERVICE RESTORATION

Ted Burgwyn, Director of Network and Rail operations, provided the presentation covering the pre-pandemic and post pandemic Caltrain service and ongoing analysis

Public comment

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, commented on travel time between San Jose and San Francisco, drafting timetable, running the most popular trains, four baby bullets every hour and every baby bullet having a time connection with BART and every other train.

Vaughn Wolffe, Pleasanton, commented on having capacity with baby bullets, capacity versus frequency, and Wi-Fi.

Jeff Carter, Millbrae, commented on having convenient service, ridership based on service, matching with BART, using GoPass, and providing better monthly ridership data.

Drew, San Mateo, commented on skip stops in the evenings, connections, baby bullets, Sunnyvale stops and changing to distance based.

The Board members had a discussion and staff provided further clarification in response to the Board comments and questions regarding fares, leading with equity, capturing a specific share of the market, encouraging more people to use the service, and challenges with lower income communities using Caltrain.

7. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ryan McCauley, Government and Community Affairs Specialist, provided an update on the following on funding amounts for active transportation program, \$973 billion over 5 years for physical infrastructure spending, \$500 billion for infrastructure goals, \$6 trillon for FY (fiscal year) 2022, fiscal blueprint \$74 million for Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP). He noted that Nuria Fernandez (former Valley Transportation Authority General Manager) was confirmed as Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Administrator.

Public comment

Roland Lebrun, San Jose, commented on private sector financing mega projects, a San Francisco to Gilroy line, and a Gilroy to Fresno line.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS

There were none.

9. DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR WPLP COMMITTEE MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021 AT 3:00 PM VIA ZOOM

10. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 4.13 p.m.