

San Jose Diridon Station Planning Update

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Overview

- San Jose Diridon Station Today
- City of San Jose Diridon Station Area Plan
- Agency Partnerships
- Integrated Station Concept Plan
- Next Steps



San Jose Diridon Station Today



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- JPB owns track/platforms; current bus loop and parking lots
- 9 station tracks with 5 platforms
- About 9,600 weekday Caltrain ridership
- Transportation Service Providers:
 - VTA Light Rail and Bus
 - Regional Rail: Altamont Corridor Express, Capitol Corridor, and Amtrak Coast Starlight
 - Regional Bus and Greyhound
 - Union Pacific Railroad



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- Station Amenities:
 - Historic Passenger terminal building with main access onto Cahill Street and underground tunnel access to the platforms
 - Bike amenities (Lockers/Racks/Ford GoBike)
 - About 600 Caltrain passenger parking stalls (\$5 daily)
 - Loop in front of station for drop-off/pick-up, TNC/Taxi connections
 - Bathrooms; waiting areas/benches, ticket kiosks, and small retail spaces for purchasing food and beverages
 - Amtrak Customer Service







City of San Jose Station Area Plan



2014 Station Area Plan

- Plan envisioned dividing the station area into three subareas with a variety of transitsupportive land uses
- Plan focused mostly on station area
- Sets Preferred Land Use
- Urban Design Guidelines and Place Making Strategy
- Addresses Access and Circulation



DIRIDON STATION AREA PLAN FINAL PLAN REPORT



<u>North</u>: Innovation District

<u>Central</u>: Destination Diridon

<u>South</u>: Mixed-use Residential





Google Announcement

The Mercury News Q

Business > Economy

Google, San Jose plan search giant's downtown expansion; up to 20,000 jobs possible



GOOGLE'S AREAS OF INTEREST

The company has been eyeing and buying properties with a plan to create a transitoriented Google village in downtown San Jose.



City agency parcel sales being negotiated

Source: Santa Clara County property records, City of San Jose memos BAY AREA NEWS GROUP



Google Plans Massive Office Expansion In San Jose



Agency Partnership



Agency Partnership





The San Jose Diridon Station and area will be developed through a strong collaboration between Caltrain, the California High Speed Rail Authority, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority and the City of San Jose, that respects individual agency goals while maximizing long-term common good through transparency and cooperation



Planning for the Future

The San Jose Diridon Station **seamlessly connects** and serves all transportation modes and will be a **grand destination** for community and commerce. The San Jose Diridon Station will **inspire** private investment, be the center of a **vibrant** surrounding area and the gateway to Northern California



Partner Projects Converging

- Caltrain: Electrification and Business Plan
 - JPB, with Authority and rail operator tenants, responsible for rail operations and infrastructure planning
- California High Speed Rail
 - San Jose Merced Project Section
 - 2018 Business Plan
- VTA: BART Phase 2 Extension
- City of San Jose: Station Area Development
- 2018 California State Rail Plan



Caltrain's Planning Framework

Infrastructure and Facilities planned in a manner that support:

- Blended Corridor System with California High Speed Rail
- Reliability and On-time Performance
 - Both Revenue and non-revenue services
- Recoverability, Contingency and Resiliency
- Future growth potential



Caltrain's Planning Framework

Consistency with 2018 State Rail Plan:

- Working toward 2040 Vision
 - 2022 projects are moving
 - 2027 timeframe
 - 2040 vision
- Integrated statewide rail networks
- Easy, fast connections
- High frequency service
- Customer focus to move easily within the network



Planned Major Regional Rail Services San Jose Diridon-2026







Lessons Learned

- July 2017 Stations Tour
 - Netherlands and France
- Aim big and bold
- Station design projects are "urban" (city-building) projects
- Design from the tracks out
- People-centered design
- Seamless intermodal connections











Integrated Station Concept Plan



Agency Partner Guiding Principals

- Treat the station area as a singular, urban transit project rather than an overlap of several capital projects
- Focus on the interaction and cohesiveness between transit systems, public space, and private development
- Develop a robust integrated community engagement process by all stakeholders for station and station area development



Agency Partner Guiding Principals

- Plan and design transit and station infrastructure for future capacity needs
- Delineate spatial needs of station to support rail and transit operations while focusing on experience of transit and station users
- Emphasize regional interconnectivity to expand and enhance service provided to customers and potential to address regional traffic congestion



Integrated Station Concept Plan

- Purpose: Integrated and innovative solutions to which partners can commit
- Management: Interagency Partnership (VTA contracting agency)
- Key Components: spatial layouts with multi-modal access and implementation strategies, urban design vision
- Duration: 12 18 months (est.)



Plan Framework





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Agency Cooperation Agreement

Purpose:

- Work as a cohesive group
- Fresh, bold look at the station
- Review whole station area including tracks, station, access, etc
- Partner resources & commitments (funding, staffing, grants, etc.)



Next Steps



Next Steps

- Select consultant and award contract
- Complete interagency cooperation agreement
- Coordinate community engagement efforts
- Continue private development coordination
- Explore funding opportunities



Questions?