

Bicycle Advisory Committee

**Correspondence
as of**

January 14, 2020

Mccauley, Ryan

From: Alex Eisenhart <eisenharta@samtrans.com>
Sent: Monday, December 2, 2019 2:11 PM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: NEWS: This Weekend the Holiday Train Toy Drive Marks Season of Giving



December 2, 2019

Media Contact: Alex Eisenhart, 650.622.7850

This Weekend the Holiday Train Toy Drive Marks Season of Giving

On Saturday, December 7, and Sunday, December 8, Caltrain will hold the annual [Holiday Train](#) toy drive event presented by Silicon Valley Community Foundation for Bay Area residents from San Francisco to the South Bay.

Decorated with more than 75,000 glittering lights, the Holiday Train will visit nine Caltrain stations over the weekend. At each of the train's [20-minute station stops](#), people can join in singing with onboard carolers and the Salvation Army Christmas Brass Ensemble. Santa, Mrs. Claus and their extended family – including Frosty the Snowman and Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer – will get off the train to greet kids and pose for pictures. Prior to the arrival of the train, families can enjoy free entertainment at each of the Holiday Train station stops as well as local community events like the [Hometown Holidays Parade](#) in Redwood City and the inaugural [Winter Ice Rink](#) in Downtown Sunnyvale.

"We are grateful to the generous Bay Area residents who have donated more than 50,000 toys since the start of this local tradition in 2001," said Caltrain Executive Director Jim Hartnett. "This event would not be possible without the support of Silicon Valley Community Foundation, sponsors and our staff for helping us provide this magical experience to the communities we serve."

In addition to offering families free holiday fun, the Holiday Train offers an opportunity to donate new toys or books to local children whose families are struggling to make ends meet. Caltrain is proud to partner with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve [Toys for Tots](#) program and The Salvation Army to help make the season brighter for everyone.

"The Salvation Army relies on the generosity of the people in the greater Bay Area who donate toys every year as part of the Caltrain Holiday Train event," said Captain Matt Madsen, Divisional

Secretary for The Salvation Army in San Francisco. "The toys donated during these two days are greatly needed for our local toy programs in San Francisco and throughout the Peninsula. Thanks to the Caltrain Holiday Train many children will get a gift this Christmas."

Holiday Train Schedule

Saturday, December 7

Station	Arrive
San Francisco	4:00 p.m.
Burlingame	5:25 p.m.
Redwood City	6:10 p.m.
Mountain View	7:25 p.m.
Santa Clara	8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 8

Station	Arrive
San Francisco	4:00 p.m.
Millbrae	5:20 p.m.
San Mateo	6:00 p.m.
Menlo Park	7:05 p.m.
Sunnyvale	7:50 p.m.

Community Support

Santa's helpers can get into the holiday spirit by donating or becoming a sponsor on the Holiday Train website, holiday-train.org, and by following Caltrain and Silicon Valley Community Foundation on Twitter using the hashtag **#HolidayTrain2019** to help spread the word. All Holiday Train donations are collected by and distributed through Silicon Valley Community Foundation.

Sponsors

The Holiday Train would not be possible without the generous support of our sponsors for everything from decorations and wiring to costumes.

This year, our Locomotive Sponsor includes The Dirk and Charlene Kabcenell Foundation, and our Media Sponsors include [The Daily Journal](#), [The San Francisco Examiner](#). In-kind sponsors include Enlighted Inc. a Siemen's Company, Jim's Handyman Services, Classic Graphics, [Peterson Technical Services](#) and the [Subway](#) store located in the San Francisco Caltrain Station.

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About Silicon Valley Community Foundation: *Silicon Valley Community Foundation advances innovative philanthropic solutions to challenging problems. We engage donors and corporations from Silicon Valley, across the country and around the globe to make our region and world better for all. Our passion for helping people and organizations achieve their philanthropic dreams has created a global philanthropic enterprise committed to the belief that **possibilities start here**. Learn more at siliconvalleycf.org.*

About The Salvation Army: Since 1883, The Salvation Army has been transforming lives throughout the Greater Bay Area. The Red Kettle Campaign started in San Francisco in 1891 and is in its 129th year and is the largest and longest-running fundraiser of its kind. It raised \$142.7 million nationwide during the 2018 campaign. The Salvation Army serves more than 500,000 people annually in the Greater Bay Area offering practical support, spiritual comfort and a critical safety net to people in need. The Salvation Army provides services to the homeless without discrimination regardless of ethnic or national origin, race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation or immigration status. For every dollar donated to The Salvation Army, 82 cents is used to support those services in facilities throughout the Bay Area. For more information go to www.sanfrancisco.salvationarmy.org.

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Mccauley, Ryan

From: Bert Hill <echill@sfhills.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2019 7:57 PM
To: CalMod@caltrain.com
Cc: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com); cacsecretary [@caltrain.com]
Subject: Call for Reconsideration of Electrified Bike Car Layout
Attachments: SFBAC Resolution for Reconsideration of Caltrain EMU Bike Cars with Endorsements.pdf

Dear Chair Gillett and Directors of the Joint Powers Board,

Please see the attached resolution calling for reconsideration of Caltrain bike car layout for electric trains. The resolution was approved by the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee and endorsed by six other Active Transportation advocacy organizations serving the Caltrain Corridor.

Sincerely,
Bert Hill
San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair



San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee
City Hall, Room 408
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

RESOLUTION: CALLING FOR RECONSIDERATION OF CALTRAIN BIKE CAR LAYOUT FOR ELECTRIC TRAINS

WHEREAS, Caltrain, the San Francisco Peninsula rail transit service, provides a vital public transportation link and has provided onboard carriage of bicycles since 1992; and

WHEREAS, Caltrain's onboard bicycle service has economic advantages by reducing the burden on heavily subsidized feeder buses and shuttles, and by reducing the demand for more parking lots; and

WHEREAS, Caltrain's onboard bicycle service is socially and environmentally beneficial in eliminating reliance on the automobile, thereby effecting reductions in petroleum use, traffic congestion, pollution, and climate change; and

WHEREAS, 15% of Caltrain passengers bring their bikes on board according to the 2016 Caltrain Triennial Onboard Customer Survey; and

WHEREAS, 88% of bikes-on-board passengers need their bikes at both ends of their trips according to the 2016 Caltrain Bike Car Intercept Survey; and

WHEREAS, customers with bicycles and paid tickets in hand routinely get left behind on the platform due to insufficient onboard bike capacity while all walk-on passengers are allowed to board; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Joint Powers Board unanimously approved an increase in bike capacity on future electric trains at a ratio of 8 to 1 seats-to-bike-spaces; and

WHEREAS, in June 2019, the Joint Powers Board voted to decrease bike capacity by 7% on electric trains at a ratio of 9.4 to 1 seats-to-bike-spaces, reneging on the Board's promise to the public made in 2015; and

WHEREAS, a lower percentage of bike spaces compared with seats will likely result in a decrease in bicycle mode share; and

WHEREAS, the bike-car layout approved by the Joint Powers Board in June 2019 has only seven folding seats within view of 36 bicycles; and

WHEREAS, seats within view of bikes are critical for passengers to guard their bikes against theft and to help rearrange bikes throughout their trips to keep trains on time; and



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WHEREAS, only seven folding seats within view of bikes will cause congestion in bike cars by forcing passengers to stand in the aisles to guard their bikes during both peak and off-peak travel; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee approved a resolution in October 2017 calling for “at least 84 bike spaces per train distributed among all cars to allow seats within view of bikes”; and

WHEREAS, some Joint Powers Board members asked for more time to make a decision on electric train layout, but the Board was told that a decision in June 2019 was critical to avoid delaying electrified service; and

WHEREAS, contractor Balfour Beatty Infrastructure has recently informed Caltrain that electrical infrastructure may be delayed by one year; and

WHEREAS, the infrastructure delay creates an opportunity to reconsider electric train layout;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee recommends that Caltrain reconsider electric train layout and implement a compromise layout with four bike cars, 80 bike spaces per train at a ratio of 8.4 to 1 seats-to-bike-spaces, with adequate fixed seats within view of bicycles and emergency exit windows not blocked by stacked bikes (see appendix for drawings); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee supports continued implementation of the 2017 Bicycle Parking Management Plan to encourage passengers who do not need to bring their bikes on board to park their bikes at the stations.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bert Hill".

Bert Hill, Chair

ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 28, 2019 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
AYES: Henriquez, Hill, Mendoza, Serafini, Taliaferro, Tieche, Wells
ABSENT: Brandt, Deffarges, Brask, Chin

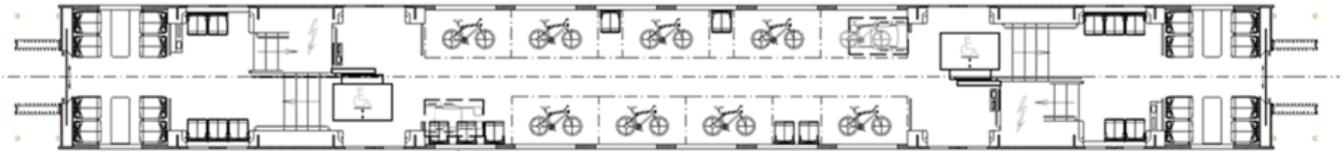
Appendix: Caltrain Electric Train Configuration

6-car electric train, 7th car to be added is E (powered)



Caltrain's Approved Layout: Two Bike Cars

D/F car (unpowered) -- two per trainset

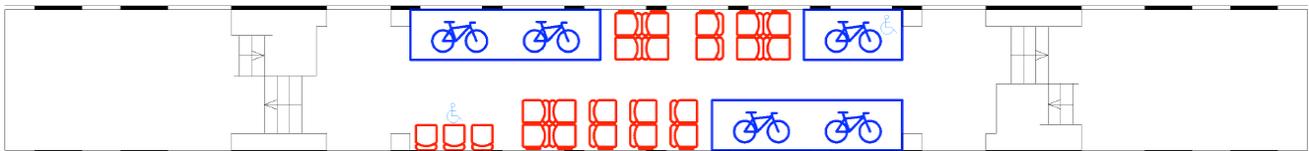


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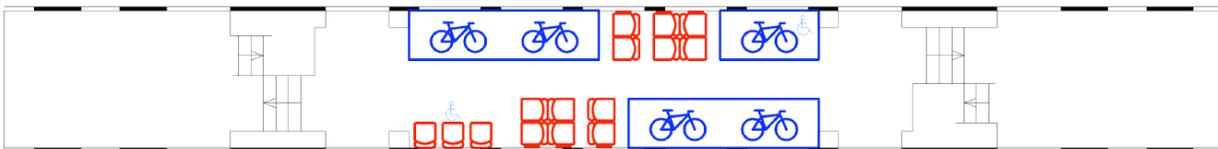
- x Increases risk of bike theft with only seven folding seats within view of 36 bikes
- x Causes congestion in bike cars with people standing to guard their bikes during both peak and off-peak
- x Increases dwell time by forcing people with bicycles to board at only two cars
- x Emergency exit windows blocked by stacked bikes
- x Only 72 bike spaces per train, fewer than today's diesel trains which have 77 bike spaces per train

Recommended Compromise Layout: Four Bike Cars

D/F car (unpowered) -- two per trainset



E car (powered) -- two per trainset



Features:

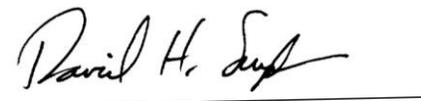
- ✓ Each bike car has at least half as many fixed seats as bikes (same as today) to deter bike theft
- ✓ Minimal congestion in bike-car aisles to keep trains on time
- ✓ Reduces dwell time by enabling people with bicycles to board at four cars
- ✓ Emergency exit windows accessible, not blocked by stacked bikes
- ✓ 80 bike spaces per train, a nominal increase over today's diesel trains

We, the undersigned, endorse the resolution calling for reconsideration of Caltrain bike car layout for electric trains, approved by the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee on October 28, 2019.



Brian Wiedenmeier
Executive Director

San Francisco Bicycle Coalition



Dave Snyder
Executive Director

California Bicycle Coalition



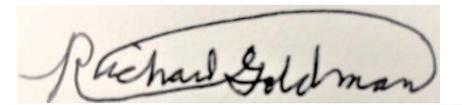
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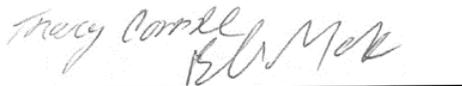
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Richard Goldman
Chair

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Mccauley, Ryan

From: Alex Eisenhart <eisenharta@samtrans.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2019 3:08 PM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: NEWS: Holiday Train Collects Over 1,400 Toys for Local Children



December 17, 2019

Media Contacts: Alex Eisenhart, 650.622.7850

Holiday Train Collects Over 1,400 Toys for Local Children

The holidays will be a little brighter this season for lots of children thanks to the generosity of people that donated toys during this year's annual [Caltrain Holiday Train](#).

During Holiday Train weekend, held December 7 & 8, despite the stormy weather thousands of people converged on Peninsula train stations to experience the glittering show train, holiday tunes, Santa and his friends and take the opportunity to donate toys for children in need.

Approximately 1,161 toys were collected during Holiday Train weekend. An additional 259 toys were collected by San Mateo County Transit District employees and the [SamTrans Stuff A Bus Toy Drive](#). This season's holiday toy drive brought in a total of 1,420 toys.

Toys donated at stations benefit the [Salvation Army's](#) Toy & Joy Program. A \$15,000 donation made to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's [Toys for Tots](#) program by the Holiday Train enabled the purchase of approximately 1,500 toys for the non-profit organization. Since the Holiday Train's inception in 2001, more than 60,000 toys have been distributed to Bay Area children who otherwise might not have received gifts at Christmas.

Community support is a hallmark of the Holiday Train. Working at the San Francisco rail yard, volunteers spent every Saturday for two months decorating the train. Ambassadors at train stations helped pass out candy canes, programs and stickers to joyous onlookers. Local artists and vendors provided entertainment at each station before the train arrived. Those who volunteered to wear a holiday character costume were rewarded by the delighted response of the thousands of families who turned out for the event.

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Mccauley, Ryan

From: Roland Lebrun <ccss@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2019 11:50 AM
To: Board (@caltrain.com)
Cc: Steve Stamos, Clerk of the Board; VTA Board Secretary; MTC Commission; MTC-ABAG; SFCTA CAC; cacsecretary [@caltrain.com]; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: Request for information
Attachments: FY18-19 Capital Program.pdf

Dear Chair Gillett,

Pursuant to Government Code §6250 et seq, please refer to page 9 (attached) of the FY18-19 Caltrain CAFR ([http://www.caltrain.com/Assets/ Finance/CAFR/JPB+CAFR+2019.pdf](http://www.caltrain.com/Assets/Finance/CAFR/JPB+CAFR+2019.pdf)) and provide the following information pertaining to the sentence that reads: "*In addition, \$20,768,000 of the proceeds were used for a building acquisition*":

- 1) Title deeds
- 2) Transfer deeds
- 3) Name(s) and position(s) of SamTrans employee(s) involved in the transaction

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

cc

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Caltrain CAC
Caltrain BPAC

PENINSULA CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS BOARD

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2019 AND 2018

Capital Program

The JPB incurred capital expenses of \$420.0 million and recognized related revenue in the form of capital contributions of \$405.2 million in fiscal year 2019, which is an \$83.9 million or 26.1% increase in capital contributions in fiscal year 2019 over fiscal year 2018. The fiscal year 2019 capital sources consisted of federal grants (\$153.0 million or 36.4%), state grants (\$183.9 million or 43.8%), local assistance including the three member agencies (\$68.3 million or 16.3%) and debt refinancing (\$1.1 million or 0.3%).

The JPB incurred capital expenses of \$322.4 million and recognized related revenue in the form of capital contributions of \$321.3 million in fiscal year 2018, which is a \$74.5 million or 30.2% increase in capital contributions in fiscal year 2018 over fiscal year 2017. The JPB's capital contributions are comprised of federal grants, state grants and local assistance including member agencies which are on a reimbursement basis and therefore tied to the related capital expenses. The reason for the increase in both fiscal year 2019 and 2018 is due to more activities on right of way improvement projects.

Following is a summary of the JPB's major capital expenses for fiscal year 2019:

- Caltrain modernization program (\$306.3 million).
- Grade Separation and Grade Crossing (\$59.7 million).
- System-wide track improvement (\$16.6 million).
- Station improvements and repairs (\$15.0 million).
- Facility improvements and repairs (\$10.8 million).
- Other - safety, planning and development, and other miscellaneous (\$3.6 million).

Additional information about the JPB's capital activities appear in Note #6 – Capital Assets in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Debt

At the end of fiscal year 2019, the JPB had \$55.4 million in outstanding farebox revenue bonds, \$20.9 million more than the bonds outstanding at the end of fiscal year 2018. During fiscal year 2008, the JPB issued \$23.1 million of farebox revenue bonds (2007 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds) to finance the purchase of eight new passenger railcars and refinance the outstanding balance of the JPB's 1999 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds. Principal payments are not scheduled to begin on the 2007 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds until October 1, 2018. On January 14, 2015, the JPB issued an additional series of Farebox Revenue Bonds (2015 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds) to finance a portion of the costs of the acquisition and rehabilitation of sixteen passenger rail cars and related capital improvements. Principal payments are not scheduled to begin on the 2015 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds until October 1, 2019. In February, 2019, the JPB issued \$56,218,000 in 2019 Series A Farebox Revenue Bonds; this issuance used \$24,087,000 of the proceeds to fully pay and legally defease the 2007 Series A Bonds and \$11,363,000 used to fully payoff the 2015 Series A Revenue Bonds. In addition, \$20,768,000 of the proceeds were used for a building acquisition. Principal on the 20019 Series A Bonds is payable on October 1, 2021 and annually thereafter on October 1 of each year through 2049. More information regarding the JPB's long-term debt activity can be found in Note 9 – Farebox Revenue Bonds Payable in the notes to the financial statements.

Mccauley, Ryan

From: Roland Lebrun <ccss@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2019 3:39 AM
To: Board (@caltrain.com)
Cc: VTA Board Secretary; MTC Commission; MTC-ABAG; SFCTA CAC; cacsecretary
[@caltrain.com]; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com); Steve Stamos, Clerk of the Board
Subject: Re: Request for information
Attachments: September 2013 Board meeting minutes.pdf

Dear Chair Gillett,

Pursuant to Government Code §6250 et seq, please refer to the legal council report (attached) of the September 2013 Board meeting

http://www.caltrain.com/Assets/_Agendas+and+Minutes/JPB/Board+of+Directors/Minutes/2013/9-5-13+JPB+Minutes.pdf

and provide the following information:

- 1) Copy of the signed lease with option to purchase 4020 Campbell Avenue
- 2) Name(s) and position(s) of SamTrans employee(s) involved in the transaction

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

cc

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Caltrain CAC
Caltrain BPAC

Mr. Murphy said a bill was introduced that would grant a blanket extension for the PTC deadline. The FRA's position is there shouldn't be a blanket extension, but year-to-year extensions granted when projects apply for them and only if they meet certain milestones. Staff doesn't think there will be any resolution on this issue this year. None of these efforts to extend the deadline apply to JPB's projects.

Chair Yeager asked if anything needs to be done regarding the bill for the 55 percent threshold for transportation. Mr. Murphy said there is a need to advocate for a bill that is going to maintain as much flexibility as possible. Senate Constitutional Amendment (SCA) 8 does that and SCA4 was amended to narrow the scope of projects.

CAPITAL PROJECTS QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT – 4TH QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2013

Ms. Harrington said this report is for information only.

CORRESPONDENCE

No discussion.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS

None

DATE/TIME/PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 3, 2013, 10 a.m. at San Mateo County Transit District Administrative Building, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA 94070.

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT

- a. Closed Session: Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Property: 4020 Campbell Avenue, Menlo Park, CA
Agency Negotiators: Gigi Harrington; David Miller
Property Owner: Campbell Avenue Portfolio, LLC
Negotiations Scope: Price and Terms of Payment

David Miller, Legal Counsel, said the Board will meet in closed session to receive a report on real property negotiations for 4020 Campbell Avenue in Menlo Park.

Adjourned into closed session at 11:35 a.m.

Reconvened at 11:40 a.m.

Mr. Miller said the Board met in closed session as permitted by the Brown Act to discuss negotiations taking place with property at 4020 Campbell Avenue in Menlo Park. Instructions have been provided to the Executive Director and there is no official action to be taken at this time.

Adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Mccauley, Ryan

From: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 11:22 AM
To: 'Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioner Zachary Hilton'; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: RE: Caltrain Transit Oriented Development Policy Letter

Dear Zach,

Thank you for sending your letter regarding the Caltrain Transit Oriented Development Policy and bicycle parking minimums in TODs. This will be included in the Caltrain Bicycle Advisory Committee Correspondence Packet at the upcoming meeting on January 16. The Caltrain TOD policy will be discussed at the upcoming Caltrain Work Program Legislative Planning (WPLP) Committee on January 29 and the Caltrain Board on February 6.

Best,
Lori

-----Original Message-----

From: Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioner Zachary Hilton [mailto:Zachary.Hilton@ci.gilroy.ca.us]
Sent: Sunday, December 29, 2019 3:38 PM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: Caltrain Transit Oriented Development Policy Letter

Caltrain Bicycle Advisory Committee,

Did the Caltrain BAC provide any bike parking input for the Caltrain TOD Policy?

Attached is our letter supporting the Caltrain Transit Oriented Development Policy for January 9, 2020 and comments from our Commission regarding bicycle parking minimums in TOD's.

Thank you.

Zachary Hilton
Chair, Gilroy Bicycle Pedestrian Commission <http://www.cityofgilroy.org/280/Bicycle-Pedestrian-Commission>
#GilroyBPAC @hoseman16

Caltrain Board of Directors
BoardCaltrain@samtrans.com

December 29, 2019

Re: Caltrain Transit Oriented Development Policy

Caltrain Board of Directors,

We support a system-wide Transit-Oriented Development Policy that prioritizes affordable homes on Caltrain land and that outlines a 20% requirement for affordable homes.

In the current environment of high land prices and limited supply of land, it is expensive to build affordable homes. As the region's housing affordability crisis continues to worsen, it affects the well-being and financial security of low- and moderate-income residents. In addition, jobs in the region have continued to increase far faster than housing supply. The lack of affordable homes has led to ever-lengthening commutes, with resultant increases in traffic congestion, air pollution, and greenhouse gas emissions. These interrelated challenges call for bold, innovative solutions. Caltrain has an incredible opportunity to create compact, walkable, bikeable, and affordable communities that can help sustain Caltrain's service for the years to come.

In addition to helping address our region's housing affordability challenges, new homes near Caltrain stations hold economic benefits for both Caltrain and the cities it serves, spurring economic growth and supporting local commercial development in nearby neighborhoods. New homes will help support long-term transit ridership as residents are five times more likely to use transit if they are able to live within a half mile of a major transit stop. Affordable homes can especially benefit Caltrain, as low-income residents are four times as likely to ride transit as their wealthier counterparts.

To address our region's affordability challenge, build a diverse base of regular riders, and support the creation of more economically diverse and inclusive communities, Caltrain should adopt an inclusionary housing policy that ensures that at least 20% of new homes developed on land controlled by the agency are affordable to low-income residents.

Please consider a TOD policy that benefits our community. When you are receiving reports from Staff that talk about the "sampling of the corridor" perhaps they should sample from San Francisco to Gilroy. Gilroy is the starting and ending point of the corridor. We do have affordable housing policies and several Transit Oriented Development examples.

<http://www.ci.gilroy.ca.us/290/Housing-Element> Between Gilroy and Morgan Hill you have a huge potential ridership that is seeking engagement from the JPB. Including your focuses on Gilroy/Morgan Hill supports your goal of sustainable transportation while promoting Caltrain ridership and sustainable transportation modes.

Our Commission supports minimum bicycle parking in all types of multi-family housing, replacement of automobile parking in exchange for bike parking, maximum allowed parking spaces for automobiles and replacement of automobile parking in exchange for car-share. Living in TOD's while being in close proximity to schools, transit, shopping, and services allows for residents to not own a vehicle. Providing bicycle parking as an option for those tenants is recommended, when you are using parking maximums and compact parking spaces. We are a League of American Bicyclists; Bicycle Friendly Community and many of our residents will continue to take their bikes on Caltrain.

We are actively embracing, advancing ideas, and projects that promote the concept of free-range people in the City of Gilroy. We advocate for building and planning for the future generations as well as current residents who don't own cars. This reflects what we are teaching the youth in our community through Safe Routes To School and Safe Routes for All.

Thank you.

Zachary Hilton
Chair, Gilroy Bicycle Pedestrian Commission
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#GilroyBPAC

Sean Reedy- Vice Chair Commissioner
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Lionel Gonzalez- Commissioner
Patrick Flautt- Commissioner



Mccauley, Ryan

From: Jon Bruner <jon.bruner@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 11:41 AM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: Re: E-scooter enforcement on Caltrain

Thanks for your response--I appreciate it!

On Tue, Jan 14, 2020 at 11:40 AM Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) <BAC@caltrain.com> wrote:

Hi Jon,

Thanks you for your feedback. Onboard scooters are on the agenda for the upcoming January 16 BAC meeting. The presentation and minutes from the meeting will be posted to [this page](#) and we will also be discussing how to best communicate with customers on this issue. Thank you!

Best,

Lori

From: Jon Bruner [mailto:jon.bruner@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 8:09 AM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: E-scooter enforcement on Caltrain

Dear Committee,

It seems that lots of people returned from the holidays with new electric scooters, and they've started appearing on Caltrain in significant numbers. While they seem convenient, and their popularity is brought about by the same factors that make cycling popular on the Peninsula, they're beginning to conflict with bikes on Caltrain.

These scooters are designed to fold and slip under a seat, but riders seem to take the easy path and just leave them in bike spots on the bike cars, where they occupy more space than a regular bike. Additionally, scooter

riders tend not to participate in the tagging system, so it's common to get on the bike car and find two or three racks taken out of commission by unlabeled scooters.

Could you raise this in your next meeting and ask for a clarification of Caltrain's rules to state that folding scooters are to be carried on luggage racks and under seats, not in scarce bike racks?

Best,

Jon Bruner

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Sent from my phone. Please excuse my brevity.

Mccauley, Ryan

From: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 1:20 PM
To: 'Cliff Bargar'; Adrian Brandt; Provence, Dan; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Cc: OBrien, Victoria; Navarro, Joe; Le, Jenny
Subject: RE: Bikes stolen from Tamien bike lockers

Thanks Cliff for bringing this to our attention. The link should be fixed. Also, as you know, the Transit Police are part of the Sheriff's department. Due to the work of the Caltrain Bike Safety & Security Task Force, they updated the online form to have more bike-specific categories to help better track information and be more responsive. I will share this exchange with them and perhaps they could speak more to it at their upcoming annual presentation. Thanks!

Best,
Lori

From: Cliff Bargar [mailto:cliff.bargar@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2019 8:00 AM
To: Adrian Brandt; Low, Lori; Provence, Dan; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Cc: OBrien, Victoria; Navarro, Joe; Le, Jenny
Subject: Re: Bikes stolen from Tamien bike lockers

Hi all,

Thanks for sending this, Adrian. In case they haven't seen this I'm copying the BAC's liaisons, Dan and Lori, who may be able to fix the link. I'm also copying the BAC so I remember to bring this up at our next meeting in January.

Happy holidays,
Cliff

On Fri, Dec 6, 2019 at 9:25 PM Adrian Brandt <adrian.brandt@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks, Victoria.

You didn't say, so can you confirm whether someone will be fixing the link I pointed out was both non-functional (non-clickable text) and pointing to the wrong place (Caltrain lost+found instead of the SMCo. Sheriff's online crime reporting form?)

Also, since it appears Caltrain just links to the SMCo. Sheriff's office generic crime reporting form (instead of one specifically for Caltrain-related crimes), it seems the only way you can correctly track Caltrain crime is if someone (a human) has to note and tabulate reports that specifically mention "Caltrain" and/or go by proximity to the right of way or stations ... and if RPs just mention an address or misspell Caltrain, it seems that Caltrain-related crime report statistics could very easily be undercounted.

I am actually surprised that there isn't a Caltrain-specific crime reporting page/portal that Caltrain can link to ... that way all crimes reported via that page/portal would automatically be categorized as Caltrain crime without having to rely on the reporting party referencing "Caltrain" somewhere in their crime report and Sheriff's office

personnel then having to accurately tabulate those reports that mention "Caltrain" for breaking out Caltrain crime report stats.

Thanks,
Adrian

On Fri, Dec 6, 2019 at 4:59 PM OBrien, Victoria <obrienv@samtrans.com> wrote:

Hi Adrian, thank you for the information. I know Jenny is working on Project 529 which is a phenomenal tool for bicyclists. Yes, your friend can use the Sheriffs on line reporting tool. Please let me know if there is a problem with the on line reporting.

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On December 6, 2019 at 13:42:35 PST, Adrian Brandt <adrian.brandt@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Victoria,

(I'm contacting you because I don't seem to have email or phone contact info for Jenny Le.)

I left you a voice message about this, but I thought I'd follow up via an email in case the details were not clear.

My friend today reported on FB (see screenshot below) that her bike was stolen out of the Tamien bike lockers (I advised her to file a formal report) ... the door lock was literally sawed out, and she said it looked like her locker wasn't the only one.

In looking up what Marjie should do to properly report her loss, I noticed that the Caltrain Bike Safety and Security page<http://www.caltrain.com/riderinfo/Bicycles/Bike_Safety_and_Security.html> has the following link to Project 529:

Register

Caltrain encourages cyclists to register their bikes at Project529.com/Caltrain<<http://www.project529.com/Caltrain>>, a bike registration, theft prevention, and recovery service.

However, the page that link leads to has the following information near the bottom:

[image.png]

Note that in "Step 2", above, that there is a "Visit" link given (which is not clickable — it's just text) and it isn't even the correct link to file a theft report. Instead of Caltrain lost & found, shouldn't it be the Transit Police online theft report form: <https://www.smsheriff.com/online-crime-reporting> ??

Thanks,
Adrian

Marjie Hempstead<https://www.facebook.com/marjie.hempstead?__tn__=%2CdC-R-R&eid=ARB_d8C-7Gs1Dymgmfvgo4bAej4U7N5SwOE0fYQaZMeb60BCvpfQU6bV-JpzEV8AeIkMb6QbH6A9HVUH&hc_ref=ARRpaji9T1cvFOLnjImJXYf8oQiy1RjdRH24aAkQXgAcuu1US>

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any bike locker users among you should know that my bike was stolen from one of the Caltrain lockers at the Tamien station. I loved the convenience of renting the locker for \$66/year, and having the bike there for my "last mile" whenever I used that station, which was about 2x week. Anyway, arrived at station yesterday to find the door to my locker swinging open, with a big hole neatly sawed out where the lock had been, locker completely empty of the bike, bike lock, a skate scribe and bungee cords I had been keeping in there. Sad. Was the bike a pricey one ? No, but it was quite new and I loved it. Skate scribes (for figures) are all but impossible to come by these days. I noticed that one other locker in the set of 10 (I think) had been similarly savaged. Likely the thief was watching the lockers for many weeks to determine which had bikes and which didn't, to know which ones to saw away at at 3AM or whenever. Whether it was the work of pros or someone from the nearby and very large homeless encampment who owned a good set of tools I have no idea. No way Caltrain can post security in such a place 24-7, but maybe cameras would help ? The Ford go bike or scooter bike thing would be nice except it really doesn't work for carrying a load that fills two paniers, as mine does on that trip. So I guess from now on I have to drive from Mountain View to San Jose for that biweekly trip rather than use Caltrain.

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"If a bike is stolen or missing, immediately call the Transit Police at 1.877.723.7245 or fill out their online theft report form: <https://www.smcsheriff.com/online-crime-reporting><https://www.smcsheriff.com/online-crime-reporting?fbclid=IwAR1c1HSIZVFwu6Ji24aA5NafRwvCmpBn0o2LYmOSTWR_LlipP1GDf9YgEw>

"Be ready with as much detail as possible, including the exact location, date, and time; and bike information such as the make, model, serial number, color, and any defining characteristics. Riders are then encouraged to fill out a lost and found report with as much bike detail as possible:

<http://www.caltrain.com/riderinfo/lostandfound.html><http://www.caltrain.com/riderinfo/lostandfound.html?fbclid=IwAR11-Dv3c4D_B9fJkibueWY1ALVPusIIyEctCFO-GrdokDN6XVFUJltvPUS>

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Caltrain<https://www.facebook.com/caltrain/?hc_location=ufi> police have recently partnered with Project 529 (an app-based crowdsourced bike theft reporting and recovery service), and has recently held a few bike registration drives. Caltrain police and other 529 app users are notified of thefts of registered bikes as soon as they are reported, and can look out for them with all the details already in the database. All bicyclist Caltrain users are urged to register their bikes and install the app:

<http://www.project529.com/Caltrain><<http://www.project529.com/Caltrain?fbclid=IwAR0UOU0aCuQ8d3-UkfBvszp7KwYS-woevj34AhJTT8ubipTmKmt5C8UT22c>>

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[529 Garage: Register. Respond. Recover. | Join the World's Largest Bicycle Registration Service to Protect Your Bike]

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Mccauley, Ryan

From: Alex Eisenhart <eisenharta@samtrans.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: NEWS: Caltrain & SamTrans to Operate Modified Schedule for MLK Jr. Day Holiday



January 14, 2020

Media Contact: Alex Eisenhart, 650.622.7850

Caltrain & SamTrans to Operate Modified Schedule for MLK Jr. Day Holiday

Caltrain and SamTrans will continue to provide service on Monday, January 20, for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Caltrain will operate a [modified schedule](#), which includes one train to/from Gilroy and two baby bullet trains in both directions between San Jose Diridon and San Francisco. The San Jose Diridon-Tamien shuttle will continue to operate on a modified schedule to accommodate alternative train service.

SamTrans will operate a regular, non-school day schedule for the holiday. Bus routes that primarily service local schools will not be operating that Monday.

The administrative offices of the San Mateo County Transit District, which manages SamTrans and Caltrain, will be closed for the holiday.

For more information on fares and schedules, call 1-800-660-4287 (TTY 650-508-6448), or visit www.samtrans.com or www.caltrain.com.

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From: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 1:31 PM
To: 'Marjie Hempstead'; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: RE: bike stolen from locker #17 at Tamien station

Dear Marjie,

Thank you for letting us know this level of detail. I have shared it with other departments so they're aware. Filling out the Transit Police report is the best way to report theft, and they should be contacting you directly if they haven't already. We are undergoing an effort to improve bike parking at stations, and I will also share this with that our station access planner overseeing that effort. Thank you again for the feedback.

Best,
Lori

From: Marjie Hempstead [mailto:m.hempstead@comcast.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 07, 2019 8:22 PM
To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)
Subject: bike stolen from locker #17 at Tamien station

Greetings -

A friend on facebook "friends of Caltrain" kindly recommended that I report this to you.

Sometime between october 29, 3pm and December 5, 10AM, all the contents I was storing in Tamien locker #17, which I have been renting for about 1.5 years now, were stolen. These contents were a bike, some bungees, bike cable lock, and a skate scribe. I have reported the bike details (serial number etc.) to the transit police (via San Mateo sheriff site) and your 529project.com/Caltrain.

What might interest you is the following :

1 - the method of breaking open the locker : thief used a metal saw or drill to make a neat rectangular hole in the door just big enough to remove the insert attachment and lock mechanism.

2 - the day I discovered my bike was missing (locker door flapping in breeze, hole in it, locker completely cleaned out) I noticed that one other locker in the block (on the even numbered side) had been similarly savaged. Sorry I was too distraught to notice what number, or even think of taking pictures... pretty stupid I know... but you can go there and see for yourself... I doubt it has changed.

3 - Items 1&2 suggest that the thief had been watching the lockers over many weeks to see which ones were worth sawing into ? You might want to check and see which of the lockers are actually being rented... are the ones that were broken into the only ones with bikes in them ?

4 - Also note that it had been over a month since I last used the locker (normally I used the bike in it twice a week - Tues&Thurs... but November was an unusual month for me with some other commitments)... so this means that if the thief HAD been watching my activities re the locker, he

wouldn't have seen me doing anything after end of October. So he (she/it) has been operating for some months, not just recent couple of weeks ?

Big bummer for me not to be able to trust those lockers, which are perfectly good lockers... just had a very aggressive thief in that neighborhood. I can't use the bike rental thing because I need to carry heavy paniers. For that same reason I really don't like to carry my bike onto the train.

thank you for your attention
Marjie Hempstead (Mountain View)