

6. BART Allocation Request for the Walnut Creek BART Station Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Project

Attachments:

- Letter from Deidre Heitman, BART Principal Planner, dated February 16, 2012, requesting TRANSPAC approval of a Line 10 \$3.85 million allocation of Measure J Funds for the Walnut Creek TOD Project and Attachment A, a project description, schedule and budget

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Hon. Julie Pierce, Chair, TRANSPAC
c/o Barbara Neustadter
296 Jayne Avenue
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Re: BART Request for Measure J Funds for the Walnut Creek BART TOD Project

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Dear Chair Pierce:

On behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) District, I am requesting the approval of TRANSPAC for an allocation of \$3.85 million in Measure Funds through the BART Parking and Access TOD Project category in Central Contra Costa County for the Walnut Creek BART TOD project.

As you know, BART, the City of Walnut Creek, and a private development team are developing a transit village at the Walnut Creek BART station. This transit village will include approximately 600 new residential units, 18,500 square feet of retail/commercial space and 100 new parking spaces in addition to the 785 spaces that will be replaced in a parking structure. The improvements to be constructed by this project will create the environment necessary for an attractive, safe, inviting and well-used transit village embedded in the urban fabric of the City of Walnut Creek.

BART has successfully applied for \$5.3 million in State Transportation Improvement Program funds to be used, in addition to the funds that constitute this request, to construct the public access improvements that are needed for the full functioning of the transit village. The public improvements include a new 15-bay bus zone, a new police substation, a new customer service center, new platform signage and upgraded lighting in the station. The project also includes new pedestrian pathways that make connections within the village as well as to downtown Walnut Creek and the surrounding neighborhoods, bicycle paths and parks. Additional information regarding the project can be found in Attachment A to this letter.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (510) 287-4796 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Deidre Heitman
Principal Planner

Attachment

Attachment A
Walnut Creek BART TOD Project

Project Scope

The Walnut Creek BART TOD Intermodal Project will provide key access amenities for the planned 16-acre Walnut Creek BART transit village. The transit village will maximize the proximity of regional transit to residential development as well as enhance bicycle and pedestrian connections within Walnut Creek. This new transit village will develop the surface parking lots that currently surround the Walnut Creek BART station into a community that will include approximately 600 residential units, 18,500 square feet of commercial space, replacement of existing surface BART parking, new platform and station lighting, a new transit information center, dynamic parking signs for garages, a new BART police substation, a new kiss and ride area and a new, expanded bus intermodal zone. The scope of the project is to construct the public access components of the transit village, specifically the expanded 15-bay bus facility, the transit customer service station, a BART police substation, dynamic parking signage, lighted platform signage and upgraded station lighting, and public access paths and plazas. These amenities are part of a larger project that includes a six-story, 887 space parking garage. The construction of these public amenities along with the garage enables the project sponsors and BART to develop the remaining BART station property into a vibrant transit village. The project is limited to the 16-acre BART station in the City of Walnut Creek.

Project Schedule

Project Milestone	Date
Project Study Report Approved	10/01/11
Begin Environmental (PA&ED) Phase	10/01/08
Circulate Draft Environmental Document	Document type: EIR
Draft Project Report	
End Environmental Phase (PA&ED Milestone)	06/01/12
Begin Design (PS&E) Phase	07/01/12
End Design Phase (Ready to List for Advertisement Milestone)	12/01/13
Begin Right of Way Phase	N/A
End Right of Way Phase (Right of Way Certification Milestone)	N/A
Begin Construction Phase (Contract Award Milestone)	07/01/15
End Construction Phase (Construction Contract Acceptance Milestone)	07/01/17
Begin Closeout Phase	08/01/17
End Closeout Phase (Closeout Report)	07/31/18

Project Budget

Existing Total Project Cost									Implementing Agency
Component	Prior	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16+	Total	
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON									
TOTAL									
Proposed Total Project Cost									
E&P (PA&ED)									
PS&E									
R/W SUP (CT)									
CON SUP (CT)									
R/W									
CON						3,850	5,300	9,150	
TOTAL						3,850	5,300	9,150	

MEASURE J TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX EXPENDITURE PLAN

Table of Expenditure Plan Allocations

	\$ millions	%	Distribution of Funding By Subregion			
			Central (a)	West (b)	Southwest (c)	East (d)
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS ¹						
1 Calderone Tunnel Fourth Bore	125	6.3%	62.5		62.5	
2 BART - East Contra Costa Rail Extension	150	7.5%				150.0
3 State Route 41 East Widening	125	6.3%				125.0
4 Capitol Corridor Improvements Including Rail Stations at Hercules and Martinez	15	0.8%	7.5	7.5		
5 East Contra Costa Vasco Rd SR Bypass/Byon Hwy Non-Freeway SR	915	47%				915
6 Interchange Improvements on I-680 & State Route 242	36	1.8%	36.0			
7 I-680 Carpool Lane Extension and Interchange Improvements	30	1.5%		30.0		
8 I-680 Carpool Lane Gap Closure/Transit Corridor Improvements	100	5.0%	75.0		25.0	
9 Richmond Parkway	16	0.8%		16.0		
SUBTOTAL	691.5	34.6%	181.0	53.5	87.5	369.5
COUNTYWIDE CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS						
10 BART Parking Access and Other Improvements	210	9.7%	210	5.0	3.0	3.0
11 Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements ²	360	18.0%	108.0	82.8	79.2	90.0
12 Transportation for Vulnerable Communities Project - Giants	100	5.0%	29.0	24.0	18.0	29.0
13 Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities ³	30	1.5%	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
SUBTOTAL	531	26.6%	151.5	124.3	102.7	132.5
OTHER COUNTYWIDE PROGRAMS						
14 Bus Services	100	5.0%	24.0	52.0	13.0	11.0
15 Transportation for Seniors & People with Disabilities ⁴	100	5.0%	25.0	35.0	17.0	23.0
16 Express Bus	86	4.3%	20.0	40.0	20.0	6.0
17 Commute Alternatives	20	1.0%	5.8	4.8	3.6	5.8
18 Congestion Management/Transportation Planning Facilities & Services	60	3.0%				
SUBTOTAL	366	18.3%	74.8	131.8	55.6	43.8
SUBREGIONAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS						
19 Additional Bus and Financials	68.5	3.4%	21.0	11.5	26.0	10.0
20 Additional Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities ⁴	23	1.2%	10.0	13.0		