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TO: TRANSPAC
CC: Barbara Neustadter
FROM: Lynn Overcashier
DATE: July 12, 2012
RE: MTC Smart Parking Workshop Update

MTC held three Smart Parking workshops in the Bay Area, including one in Walnut Creek on June 13, 2012. The following is an overview of the speakers and subjects covered.

Introduction - Valerie Knepper, MTC Regional Parking Initiative

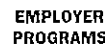
Welcome - City Manager, Ken Nordhoff, City of Walnut Creek

1. Interactive Sessions: Jeff Tumlin, Principal, Nelson/Nygaard
 - a. Introduction to Parking
 - b. Minimum Parking Requirements
 - c. Parking Structures
 - d. Parking Management from a System Perspective
2. Parking Policy Impact on Development: A Parking Utilization Survey of Transit Oriented Development Residential Properties in Santa Clara County; Speakers included Robert Swierk, Senior Transportation Planner, VTA; and Jason Meek, San Jose State University
3. Parking Policies from a City Planner's Perspective: A Real Life Story about Smart Parking Practices in Berkeley; Speaker Matt Taecker, Principal, Dyett & Bhatia (recently with the City of Berkeley, Downtown Area Plan)

The workshop materials and presentations are available at
http://www.mtc.ca.gov/planning/smart_growth/parking/workshop.htm

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May 8, 2012

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Subject: *Schools of the Future Report*

Dear Superintendent Torlakson:

On behalf of the entire Board of Supervisors I am writing to congratulate you on the release of the *Schools of the Future Report* last year. The Board of Supervisors is particularly pleased with the recommendations regarding the development of more effective of school siting practices. The *Report* echoes a number of the County's comments and concerns over the years regarding the conflict between the State's school siting policies and safe routes to school programs, SB 375 requirements, the Strategic Growth Council's *Health in All Policies* initiative, complete streets initiatives, and state and local planning policies.

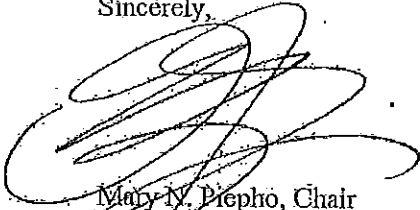
As you may be aware, Contra Costa County has experienced conflicts between local land use authorities and school districts as both entities grapple with the rapid growth in demand for school capacity, safe transportation facilities and adequate housing. The *Report* includes a number of encouraging recommendations that will hopefully mark the beginning of a change in the manner in which schools, which *potentially* act as the anchor of great communities, are developed.

The County understands that a dialog to discuss the implementation of the recommendations in the *Report* will begin this summer. Considering our experience and interest in this issue, we look forward to participating in these forums. In the interest of having a complete dialog and productive outcome we are hopeful that participation by a broad range of affected parties is fostered.

We close with an encouraging goal from the California Strategic Growth Council's *Health in All Policies* initiative, *Every California resident has the option to safely walk, bicycle, or take public transit to school, work, and essential destinations.*

Again, congratulations on your *Schools of the Future Report*, we look forward to working with you on implementation efforts in the near future.

Sincerely,



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