



**CITIES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, March 10, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
West Conference Room, Sunnyvale City Hall
456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA**

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| 1. Welcome, Introductions and Roll Call | 7:00 |
| 2. Oral Communication
(This time is reserved for public comment and is limited to topics not on the agenda; comment time not to exceed 3 minutes.) | 7:00 - 7:05 |
| 3. Consent Calendar | 7:05 – 7:10 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of Minutes of February 11, 2016 (Cappello) b. Acceptance of Financial Reports (Cappello) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. February 2016 Balance Sheet 2. February 2016 Budget Report 3. February 2016 Transactions Report | |
| 4. Presentations & Priorities Discussions | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Bart to Ace Presentation (John Marchand) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request to Present 2. PowerPoint Presentation b. Roundtable Discussion with President BOS Dave Cortese c. Management Partners Presentation and Request for Feedback on proposed ABAG/MTC Integration (Lynn Dantzker) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request to Present 2. Fact Sheet | 7:10 – 7:20

7:20 – 7:45
7:45 – 8:25 |
| 5. New Business | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Request from Congresswoman Anna Eshoo to Appoint Two Elected Officials and Two Alternates representing the City of Campbell, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Mountain View, Palo Alto, or Saratoga to the FAA Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Communication/Letter from Congresswoman Anna Eshoo 2. Expressions of Interest Received Re: Appointments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Gary Waldeck of Los Altos Hills b. Mary-Lynne Bernald of Saratoga c. Greg Scharff of Palo Alto b. Review and Acceptance of Cities Association Letter submitted to City of San Jose Re: Community Choice Energy (Griffith) | 8:25 – 8:35

8:35 – 8:40 |



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- c. LAC Report (Pepper) 8:40 – 8:45
 - 1. Request to Approve LAC's Recommendation Re: Measure AA
- d. City Managers' Association Report (Deanna Santana) 8:45 – 8:50

- 6. Joys & Challenges** 8:50 – 8:55

- 7. Announcements** 8:55 – 9:00
 - a. General Membership Meeting, Thursday, May 12, 6 – 9 pm

- 8. Adjournment and Next Meeting** 9:00
 - Thursday, April 14, 2016, 7pm, Sunnyvale City Hall



Draft Minutes
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Sunnyvale West Conference Room
February 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Cities Association Board of Directors was called to order at 7:15 p.m. with President Jim Griffith presiding.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Present:

Jason Baker, Campbell
Barry Chang, Cupertino
Jan Pepper, Los Altos (7:25)
Gary Waldeck, Los Altos Hills
Rob Rennie, Los Gatos
Burton Craig, Monte Sereno
Rich Constantine, Morgan Hill
Pat Showalter, Mountain View
Greg Scharff, Palo Alto
Chappie Jones, San Jose
Jerry Marsalli, Santa Clara
Manny Cappello, Saratoga
Jim Griffith, Sunnyvale

Also Present:

Raania Mohsen, Cities Association
Sam Liccardo, San Jose
Larry Silva, Yellow Checker Cab
Deanna Santana, Sunnyvale
Betsy Shotwell, San Jose
Jennifer Silva, Yellow Checker Cab
Amarjit Singh

2. Oral Communication: None.

3. Consent Calendar

Approval of January 2016 Financial Statements, Minutes for January 14, 2016 Board Meeting, Motion (Baker)/ Second (Cappello). Motion carried unanimously (12:0).

Ayes: Baker, Cappello, Chang, Constantine, Craig, Griffith, Jones, Marsalli, Rennie, Scharff, Showalter, Waldeck

No:

Abstention:

Absent: Esteves, Leroe-Muñoz, Pepper

4. Presentations & Priorities Discussions

a. San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo provided an update on the regional minimum wage study and discussed a proposed regional minimum wage timeline.

- The Institute for Research on Labor & Employment at UC Berkeley is conducting the regional minimum wage study; a countywide employer survey will also be included and will be conducted by BW Research.
- The Advisory team identified a schedule for purpose of the study:
 - \$12.00 on January 1, 2017

- \$13.50 on January 1, 2018
 - \$15.00 on January 1, 2019
- The results of the study will be presented to San Jose City Council on April 18th; the Cities Association plans to include a presentation of the study either at the April 14th Board Meeting or a special meeting in April, depending on availability of Board Members.
- The purpose of the study is to provide jurisdictions with data to support adoption of the proposed baseline.
- In June, the Cities Association may review and take a position on the regional baseline for a minimum wage.

b. Larry Silva of Yellow Checker Cab presented on taxi regulations countywide.

- The taxi industry is finding it hard to compete with the Transportation Network Companies (TNC's), such as Lyft and Uber, due to adherence to regulations in each city across the county despite their similarities.
- Taxi's serve customers who travel between cities but they cannot pick up a customer when they drop off in another city.
- Each city has a taxi code; however not all cities enforce the regulations.
- Eight cities in SCC enforce various regulations; they include requirement of permits, business license, fingerprinting, and periodic vehicle inspections.
- For example, fingerprinting helps to ensure the safety of the rider; six cities in SCC fingerprint taxicab drivers. In order for a taxi driver to provide services throughout SCC, he/she must be finger printed six times. This scenario also applies to vehicle inspections and permits.
- TNC's are subject to considerably less regulation than taxi's; they are licensed by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).
- TNC's have reduced taxi ridership by 40-50% countywide.
- In addition, TNC's rates are not regulated.
- Taxi drivers want to reduce rates but they can't due to cities regulations; taxi meter rates should be deregulated so that taxi's can compete with TNC's.
- TNC-like technology is available for taxi's, e.g. in app meters, single button ordering, flat rate pricing, promotions, social media.
- To even the playing field, it would be beneficial if there was a single county-wide set of regulations that included:
 - Countywide driver permit complete with fingerprint background checks
 - Annual vehicle inspection that would apply countywide
 - Companies or third-party driver training with ongoing monitoring
 - Elimination/reduction of regulation of rates.
- Feedback from Board Members included:
 - Each city should re-evaluate their taxi regulations; City of Sunnyvale found that their taxi regulations were 10 years out of date, e.g. drivers were required to pass a paper map test.
 - How about enacting reciprocal agreements amongst multiple cities, e.g. Town of Los Gatos accepts permits, screenings, and fingerprints from other cities.
 - Cities need to be more cognizant and less regulatory.

- How about considering a model ordinance for all cities to consider adopting; we need to weigh in with city managers and police chiefs.
- Are there model ordinances available for review?
- Board Members approved submittal of letter to the Santa Clara County City Managers Association and SCC Police Chiefs Association requesting re-evaluation of taxi regulations and possibility for countywide regulation.

Motion (Showalter)/ Second (Jones). Motion carried unanimously (13:0).

Ayes: Baker, Cappello, Chang, Constantine, Craig, Griffith, Jones, Marsalli, Pepper, Rennie, Scharff, Showalter, Waldeck

No:

Abstention:

Absent: Esteves, Leroe-Muñoz

- Board Members approved referral to Legislative Action Committee to discuss potential action/submission of letter to state legislators regarding state regulation of taxi industry.

Motion (Scharff)/ Second (Chang). Motion carried unanimously (13:0).

Ayes: Baker, Cappello, Chang, Constantine, Craig, Griffith, Jones, Marsalli, Pepper, Rennie, Scharff, Showalter, Waldeck

No:

Abstention:

Absent: Esteves, Leroe-Muñoz

5. Old Business

a. President Jim Griffith led discussion on adopted priorities and organization of subcommittees. Board Members expressed interest in priorities and formed subcommittees based on priorities: affordable housing, age-friendly communities, homelessness, RHNA sub region, transportation, and minimum wage.

6. New Business

a. Board Members approved co-hosting Affordable Housing Workshop for elected officials with Silicon Valley at Home during Affordable Housing Week, May 16-21, 2016. The workshop will provide local policymakers with an overview of the current housing and affordable housing landscape and the solutions available to address the housing crisis.

Motion (Craig)/ Second (Marsalli). Motion carried unanimously (13:0).

Ayes: Baker, Cappello, Chang, Constantine, Craig, Griffith, Jones, Marsalli, Pepper, Rennie, Scharff, Showalter, Waldeck

No:

Abstention:

Absent: Esteves, Leroe-Muñoz

- b. CSC Appointee Report: ABAG Appointee/Board Member Greg Scharff of Palo Alto presented ABAG Report.** Board Member Scharff summarized two major items ABAG is focused on: the proposed ABAG/MTC merger and Plan Bay Area 2040. Management Partners is the hired consultant for the proposed merger and will be coming to the Cities Association in March to present the proposal and request feedback. Regarding Plan Bay Area 2040, ABAG is in the process of developing scenarios of growth. The selected growth scenario will likely affect the next RHNA cycle. The considered scenarios include: 1) growth across all cities; 2) growth in transportation corridors; and 3) growth in cities with highest populations and jobs. Board Members provided feedback on each scenario.
- c. City Managers' Association Report:** City Managers' Liaison Deanna Santana of Sunnyvale reported the City Managers met on February 10th and heard a presentation from SCC Fire Chiefs Association regarding the proposed private-public partnership and new model for Emergency Medical Services in SCC. City of San Jose is working on developing the proposal.
- d. Legislation Report:** Betsy Shotwell provided an update on legislative session. The passage of AB 21 (Wood) eliminates from state law the March 1st deadline for cities to pass cultivation ordinances imposed on local governments by last years Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act. Local jurisdictions can now take the time to research, deliberate, and seek community input as needed. Deadline for bill introduction is February 19th. The League is watching three other bills addressing medical marijuana: AB 26 (Jones-Sawyer), AB 567 (Gipson), and AB 1575 (Bonta, Cooley, Jones-Sawyer, Lackey, Wood).

8. Joys and Challenges:

- City of Los Altos has joined to participate in Community Choice Energy (CCE); 10 jurisdictions are now members of the JPA.
- Monte Sereno Council recently instructed staff to study CCE.
- In Cupertino, a measure on the ballot would restrict some new developments, including redevelopment of Vallco Shopping Mall.
- In Sunnyvale, a measure on the ballot in 2016 would require voter approval for the city to sell, swap, or lease public land.

9. Announcements

- a. April Board Meeting – Consideration of changing date to April 21st or April 28th – due to League Of California Cities Peninsula Division Bocce Ball on April 21st and schedule conflicts on April 28th, it was decided to proceed with the scheduled April 14th Board Meeting.

Adjournment, 9:00 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 10, 2016, 7 pm, Sunnyvale City Hall.
Respectfully submitted,
Raania Mohsen
Executive Director, Cities Association of Santa Clara County

CITIES ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY
Balance Sheet
As of February 29, 2016

	Feb 29, 16
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking - Union Bank	3,697.42
Total Checking/Savings	3,697.42
Other Current Assets	
LAIF Funds	80,721.60
Accrued Interest	44.60
Receivable from Annual Event	455.00
Total Other Current Assets	81,221.20
Total Current Assets	84,918.62
Fixed Assets	
Machinery and Equipment	2,203.41
Accumulated Depreciation	-1,007.40
Total Fixed Assets	1,196.01
TOTAL ASSETS	86,114.63
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	3,930.00
Total Accounts Payable	3,930.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,930.00
Total Liabilities	3,930.00
Equity	
Reserves	
Reserve for New Equip.	5,000.00
Reserve for Operations	35,000.00
Total Reserves	40,000.00
Unrestricted Fund Balance	14,626.22
Net Income	27,558.41
Total Equity	82,184.63
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	86,114.63

CITIES ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY
Report on Budget vs. Actual
July 2015 through February 2016

	Jul '15 - Feb 16	Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Directory Income	168.00	1,250.00	13.4%
Dues Income	83,682.00	83,682.00	100.0%
Interest	199.35	226.00	88.2%
Total Income	<u>84,049.35</u>	<u>85,158.00</u>	<u>98.7%</u>
Gross Profit	84,049.35	85,158.00	98.7%
Expense			
Office			
Directory Production	0.00	704.00	0.0%
Dues and Subscriptions	168.00	300.00	56.0%
Hospitality	219.99	250.00	88.0%
Internet - Web Hosting Services	153.23	200.00	76.6%
Miscellaneous			
Bank Service Charges	21.00	36.00	58.3%
Total Miscellaneous	<u>21.00</u>	<u>36.00</u>	<u>58.3%</u>
Post Office Box	82.00	82.00	100.0%
Postage and Delivery	26.26	166.00	15.8%
Recognition	175.41	167.00	105.0%
Supplies and Equipment	168.63	600.00	28.1%
Telephone	557.10	810.00	68.8%
Total Office	<u>1,646.46</u>	<u>3,315.00</u>	<u>49.7%</u>
Professional Services			
Employee Expenses			
Payroll Service Fees	540.10	825.00	65.5%
Payroll Taxes	4,135.33	5,900.00	70.1%
Payroll Wages/Salary	50,579.28	75,118.00	67.3%
Total Employee Expenses	<u>55,254.71</u>	<u>81,843.00</u>	<u>67.5%</u>
Total Professional Services	<u>55,254.71</u>	<u>81,843.00</u>	<u>67.5%</u>
Total Expense	<u>57,901.17</u>	<u>85,158.00</u>	<u>68.0%</u>
Net Ordinary Income	26,148.18	0.00	100.0%
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Membership Dinners - Proceeds	5,290.00	10,000.00	52.9%
Total Other Income	<u>9,790.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>97.9%</u>
Other Expense			
Membership Dinners - Cost	8,379.77	10,000.00	83.8%
Total Other Expense	<u>8,379.77</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>83.8%</u>
Net Other Income	<u>1,410.23</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Net Income	<u><u>27,558.41</u></u>	<u><u>0.00</u></u>	<u><u>100.0%</u></u>

CITIES ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY
Transaction Detail by Account
February 2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Checking - Union Bank					
2/9/2016	2664	First National Bank Oma...		-SPLIT-	-151.74
2/25/2016			deposit - confirmation...	LAIF Funds	7,000.00
2/25/2016			2015 Holiday Party S...	Membership Din...	1,000.00
2/29/2016		Time+Plus Payroll Servi...	ED Direct Deposit	Payroll Wages/S...	-4,254.72
2/29/2016		Time+Plus Payroll Servi...		-SPLIT-	-2,627.13
Total Checking - Union Bank					966.41
LAIF Funds					
2/25/2016			withdrawl from LAIF	Checking - Unio...	-7,000.00
Total LAIF Funds					-7,000.00
Office					
Hospitality					
2/9/2016	2664	First National Bank Oma...	January Board Meetin...	Checking - Unio...	47.22
Total Hospitality					47.22
Supplies and Equipment					
2/9/2016	2664	First National Bank Oma...	cardstock for name c...	Checking - Unio...	19.56
2/9/2016	2664	First National Bank Oma...	monthly PDF subscrip...	Checking - Unio...	14.99
Total Supplies and Equipment					34.55
Telephone					
2/9/2016	2664	First National Bank Oma...		Checking - Unio...	69.97
Total Telephone					69.97
Total Office					151.74
Professional Services					
Employee Expenses					
Payroll Taxes					
2/29/2016		Time+Plus Payroll Servi...		Checking - Unio...	496.84
Total Payroll Taxes					496.84
Payroll Wages/Salary					
2/29/2016		Time+Plus Payroll Servi...	ED Direct Deposit	Checking - Unio...	4,254.72
2/29/2016		Time+Plus Payroll Servi...		Checking - Unio...	2,130.29
Total Payroll Wages/Salary					6,385.01
Total Employee Expenses					6,881.85
Total Professional Services					6,881.85
Membership Dinners - Proceeds					
2/25/2016			2015 Holiday Party S...	Checking - Unio...	-1,000.00
Total Membership Dinners - Proceeds					-1,000.00
TOTAL					0.00



REQUEST TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE CITIES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

Livermore Amador Valley Transportation Authority (LAVTA) Regional Rail Committee –
Mayor John Marchand, City of Livermore

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system serves the San Francisco Bay Area, connecting cities in San Mateo, Alameda, and Contra Costa counties. Future plans include serving cities in Santa Clara County. In November 2014, Measure BB was approved by Alameda County voters to fund key transportation infrastructure projects, including a BART extension from the Dublin/Pleasanton station to Isabel Avenue in Livermore. The second phase of this project involves an additional 5-mile extension, which would create an inter-regional link between BART and ACE at Greenville Road in Livermore at the base of the Altamont Pass/I-580 Corridor. The BART to ACE project will reduce traffic across regions and freeways, and provide transportation alternatives connecting workforce housing in San Joaquin County to jobs in Silicon Valley.

REQUEST (WHAT WILL BE PRESENTED?):

Mayor John Marchand (City of Livermore), on behalf of the LAVTA Regional Rail Committee will make a presentation discussing the commute patterns from the San Joaquin/Tri-Valley area to Silicon Valley and explain how the proposed BART to ACE project will reduce traffic across multiple regions and connect workforce housing to jobs in Silicon Valley.

RELEVANCE TO THE CITIES ASSOCIATION:

The BART to ACE project will have a positive impact on quality of life for residents living and working in Silicon Valley by enhancing inter-regional mobility, reducing traffic, and connecting workforce housing to jobs.

WHAT ACTION IS REQUESTED OF THE CITIES ASSOCIATION?

The action requested of the Cities Association is to support the BART to ACE project, encourage state legislators to provide additional funding to complete Phase I and II of the BART extension, and advocate for the formation of a Joint Power Authority to plan and implement the project.

MATERIALS TO BE SENT TO SUPPORT PRESENTATION

A Power Point presentation will be sent in advance of the agenda item.

Connecting the Region



Altamont Regional Rail Working Group
Presented by Mayor John Marchand, City of Livermore

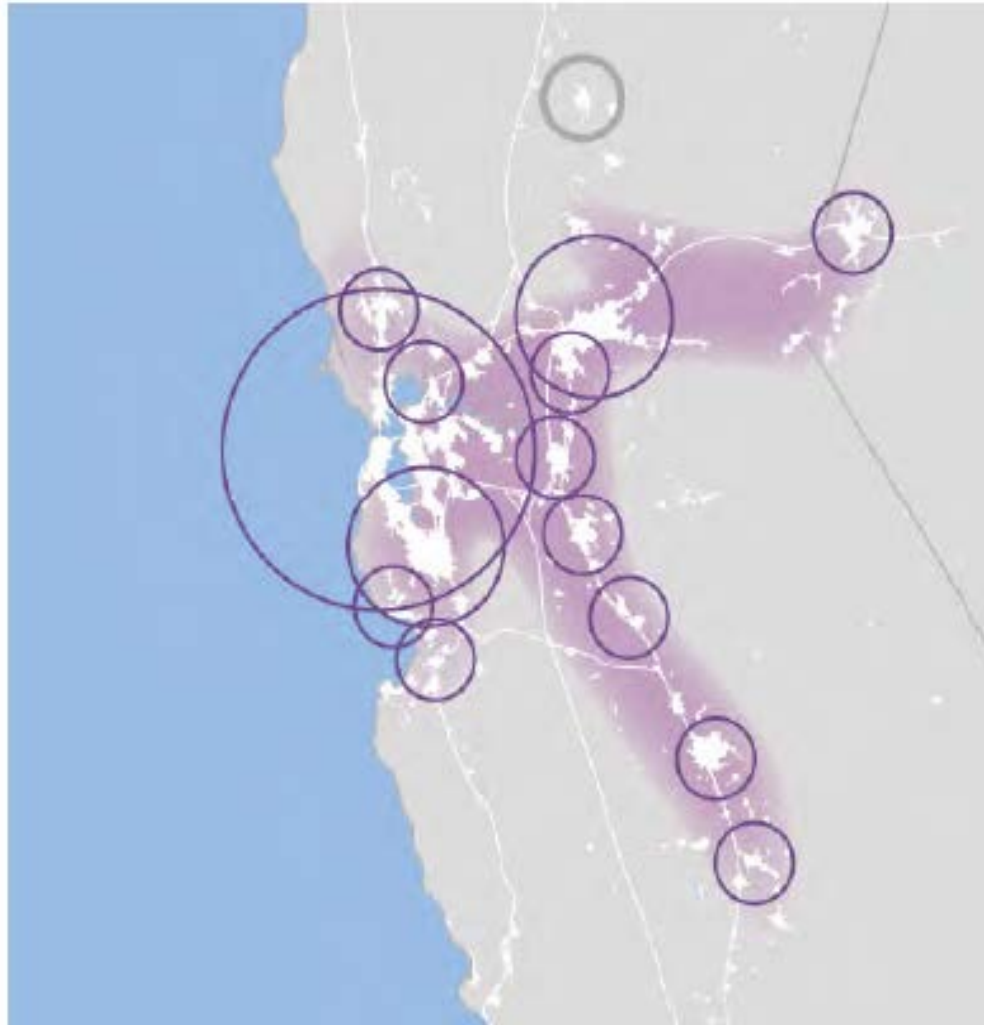


Inter-Regional Perspective

Altamont Regional Rail Working Group
Presented by Mayor John Marchand, City of Livermore

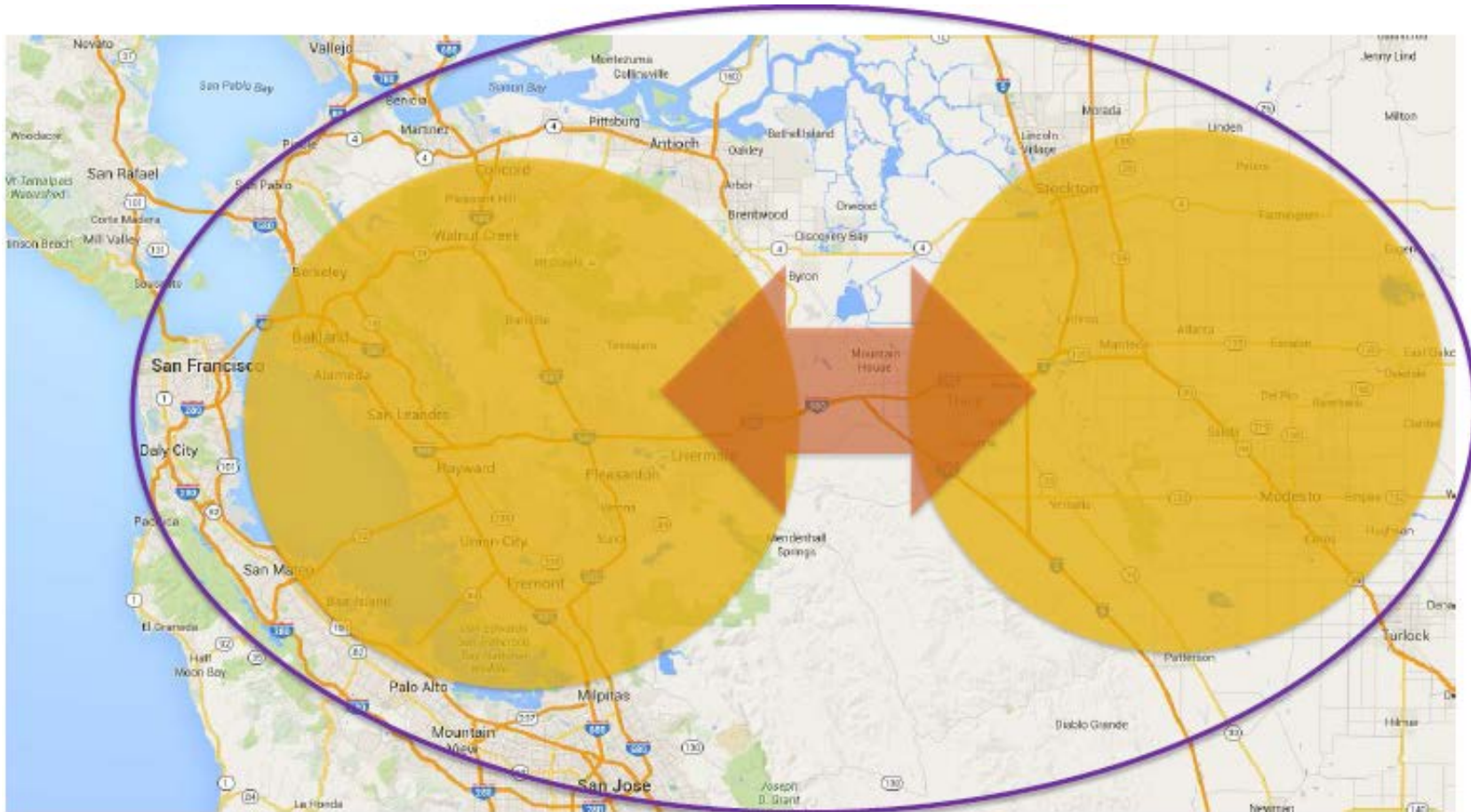


Northern California Mega-Regions





Inter-Regional Transportation Demands

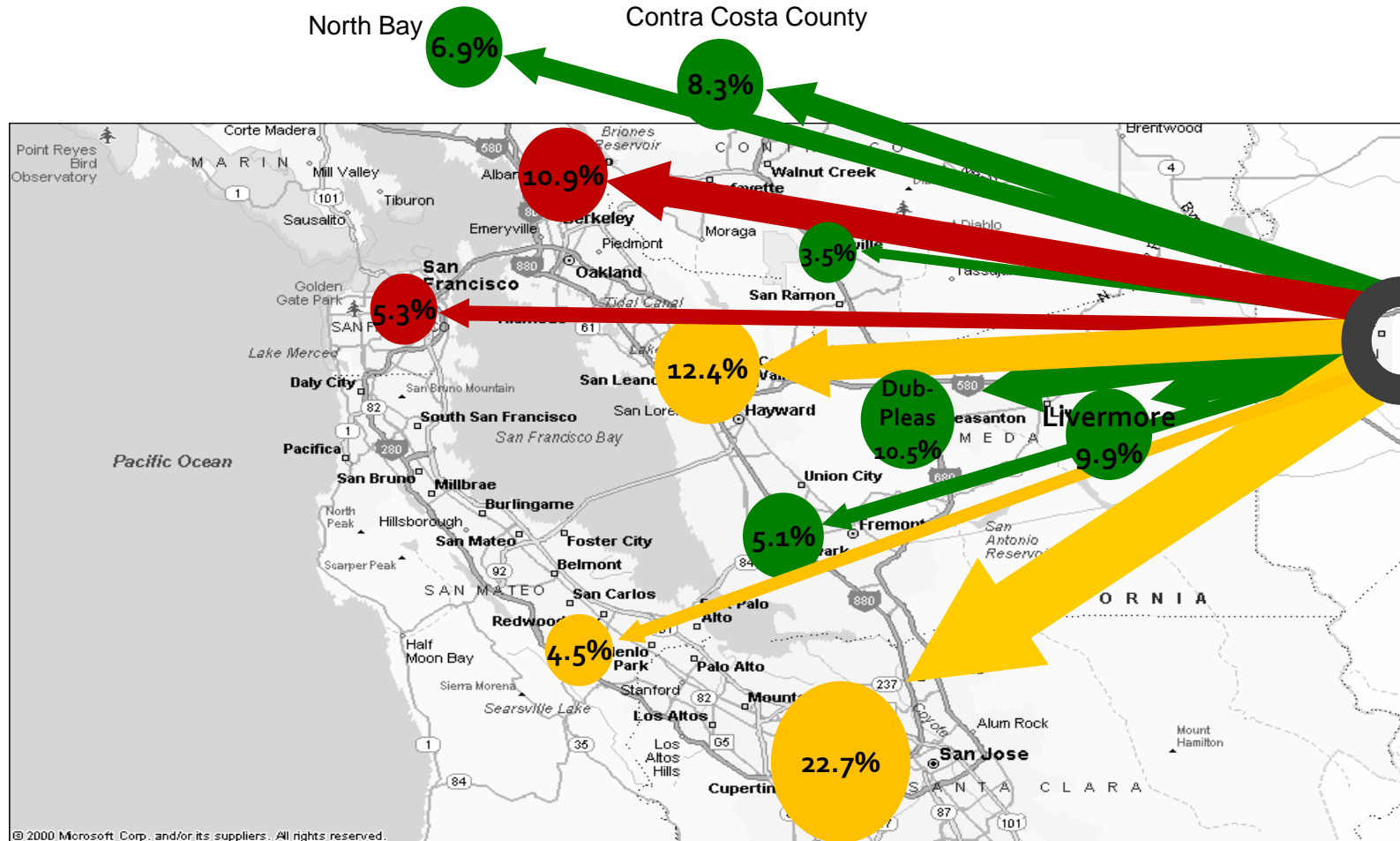


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Bay Area Destinations

Trips From San Joaquin Valley

AirSage Distribution Incorporated – 95,100 Round Trips in 2035



Inter-Regional Transit Connectivity

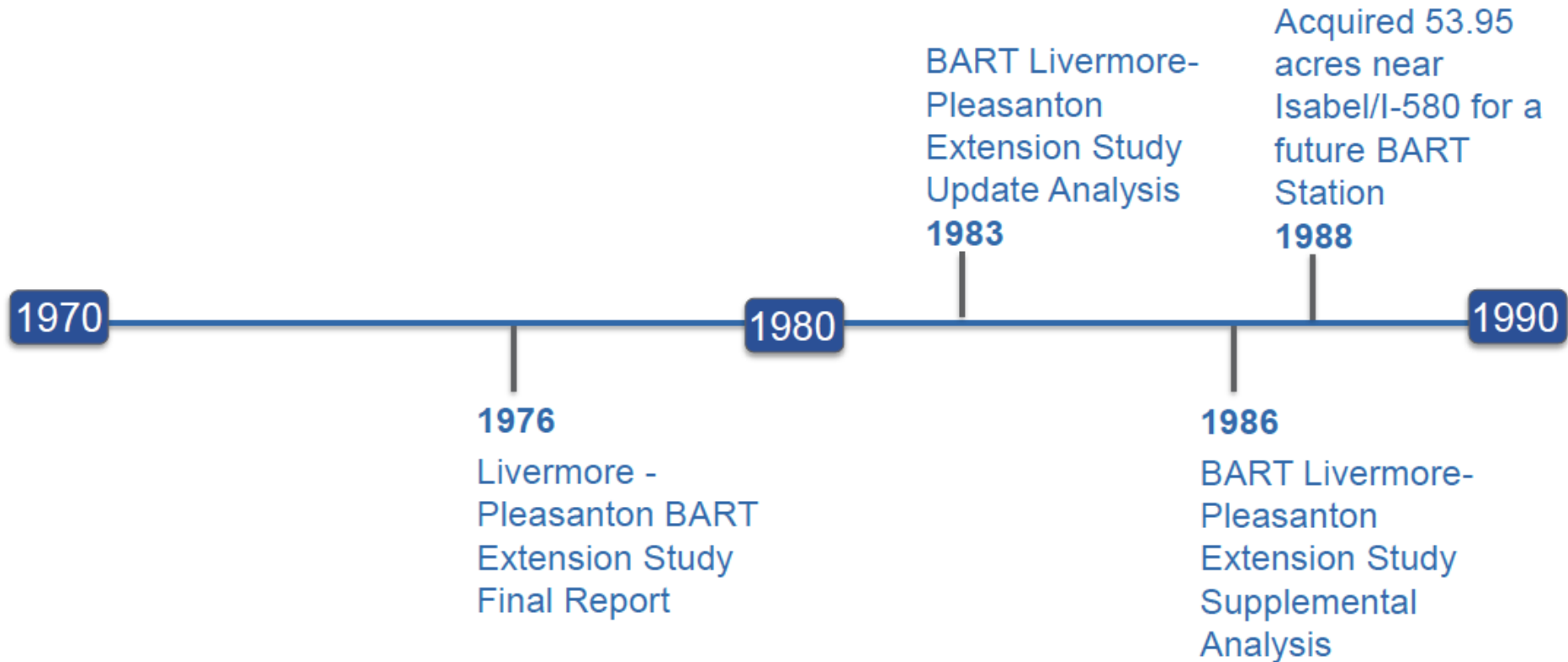




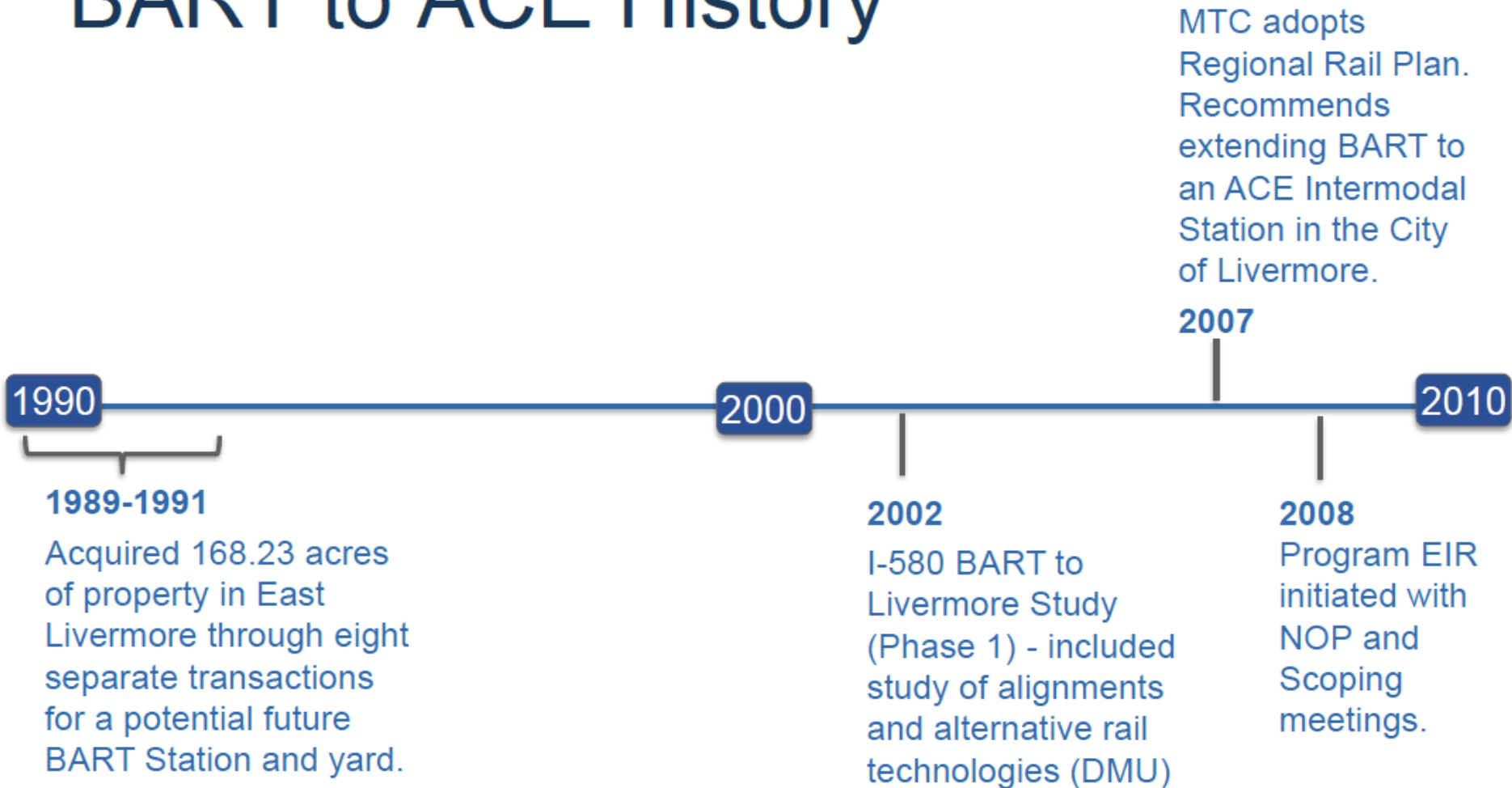
BART to ACE

Altamont Regional Rail Working Group

BART to ACE History



BART to ACE History





BART to ACE Project

- Phase 1 – BART to Isabel
 - Extend rail line by 4.8 miles
 - Incorporate improvements to local bus systems
- Phase 2 – BART to Greenville
 - Extend rail line by an additional 6.7 miles for a total of 11.5 miles
 - Connects directly with ACE Station

BART to ACE Project

- Conceptual engineering and an EIR for four alternatives
- Technical studies
 - Ridership forecasting
 - Traffic impacts
 - Cost estimation
 - Environmental studies

Current Project Funding

- \$551 million total committed funding
 - \$400 million Alameda County Measure BB
 - \$95 million AB1171 (bridge tolls)
 - \$16 million RM1 (bridge tolls)
 - \$40 million Traffic Impact Fees
- The BART extension to Isabel is included in Plan Bay Area



Project Schedule

Assuming a smooth process and funding availability...

- Early 2017 Release DEIR
- Mid 2017 Identify recommended alternative
- Late 2017 Release FEIR, adopt project
- 2019 Release DEIS
- 2020 Release FEIS
- 2021-2023 Complete design
- 2025-2027 Complete construction of Phase 1



Benefits of Connectivity

- Affordable housing connected to job centers
- A more efficient use of existing infrastructure
- Greenhouse gas reduction
- Improved air quality
- Enhanced goods movement
- Travel time reduction

Overall Result:

A more dynamic, robust inter-regional economy and improved quality of life!

Objectives

- Increase project awareness
- Provide information on benefits to our region
- Importance of inter-regional connectivity



Mayor John Marchand

mayormarchand@cityoflivermore.net

925-960-4020

Altamont Regional Rail Working Group



**REQUEST TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE CITIES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

Management Partners, on behalf of MTC and ABAG.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Management Partners (a local government consulting firm) has been engaged by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to examine the policy, financial and legal issues associated with further integration, up to and including institutional merger between MTC and ABAG. The project is also to set forth specific plans, benchmarks and milestones for implementation.

REQUEST (WHAT WILL BE PRESENTED?):

The presentation will present general background information on MTC and ABAG, discuss the purpose of the study and the schedule and provide a broad analysis framework that will be used to evaluate options.

RELEVANCE TO THE CITIES ASSOCIATION:

All cities in Santa Clara County are members of ABAG and are represented on MTC. Both agencies are responsible for land use and transportation planning in the nine Bay Area county region and may be impacted by the policy issues and decisions associated with the study.

WHAT ACTION IS REQUESTED OF THE CITIES ASSOCIATION?

MATERIALS TO BE SENT TO SUPPORT PRESENTATION

Merger Study information sheet.

The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

Merger Study Information Sheet

Why conduct a merger study?

In October 2015, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) adopted a resolution to create an integrated regional planning department as the best near-term approach to carry out the land use and transportation planning responsibilities set forth in SB 375 and reduce duplication of effort. This would result in a functional consolidation of planners working on SB 375 within MTC. The respective SB 375 statutory responsibilities of ABAG and MTC would remain the same. The ABAG Administrative Committee also adopted a resolution expressing support of MTC's resolution. The actions by MTC and ABAG were accompanied by an agreement to conduct a Merger Study and in the event ABAG and MTC approve a Merger Implementation Plan prior to July 1, 2016, the functional consolidation of planning departments shall be pre-empted. In January, 2016, ABAG and MTC hired Management Partners to study the policy, management, financial, and legal issues associated with further integration, up to and including institutional merger between the agencies, and how an integration model might be implemented.

What will be done?

Management Partners will evaluate different integration models with respect to the following:

- Policy considerations
- Statutory authorities
- Representation and governance
- Financial resources and budget
- Employee relations
- Agency mission
- Regional planning needs



Background Information

About ABAG

The Region's Council of Governments (COG)

ABAG was formed by a Joint Powers Authority in 1961 and is a voluntary association of the Bay Area's 101 cities and nine counties.

As a comprehensive regional planning agency, ABAG works with local governments and stakeholders to develop forecasts of the region's housing, jobs and population growth, identify regional housing needs, address resilience and climate change issues, carry out regional social, economic and land use research and prepare elements of the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). ABAG also provides special services to local governments, such as affordable housing and infrastructure financing, risk management and insurance, electricity and natural gas aggregation, energy efficiency programs and emergency preparedness.

About MTC

The Region's MPO and RTPA

MTC was created by the California Legislature in 1970. It is the federally-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the region.

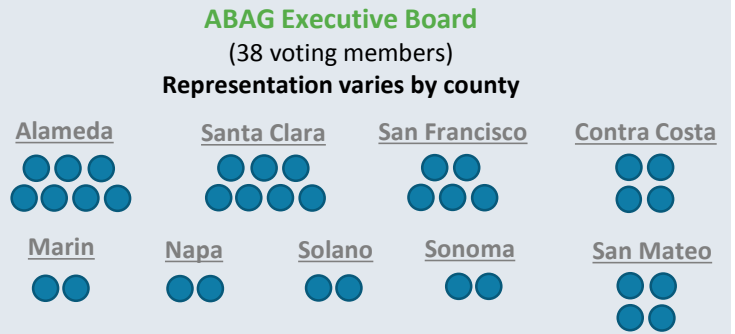
As the transportation planning, financing and coordinating agency for the nine Bay Area counties, MTC collaborates with other public agencies to plan and finance the region's streets, highways, and transit network. It is responsible for preparing a regional transportation plan (RTP) every four years which, under SB 375, must include and support the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

MTC annually programs and allocates roughly \$1.5 billion in transportation revenues and is responsible for an \$8+ billion debt portfolio. MTC also operates a suite of services to help travelers get around, including the 511 traveler information system, FasTrak® electronic toll collection, Clipper® transit fare card and the Freeway Service Patrol's fleet of roving tow trucks.

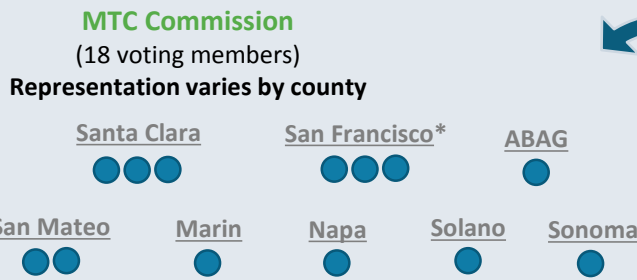
Agency Governance Structures

ABAG
 ABAG's governance structure is separated into two primary policy bodies and a variety of standing committees

ABAG General Assembly
 (110 voting members)
 1 elected official from every county, city and town



MTC
 MTC's governance structure is consolidated into one primary policy body and a variety of standing committees



*One of the San Francisco Commissioners is selected by BCDC and must be a San Francisco resident.

Plan Bay Area and SB 375

What is SB 375?

SB 375 requires each of California's 18 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to include a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), both of which are required to be approved and adopted by MTC. The SCS sets forth a vision for regional growth that takes into account the region's transportation, housing, environmental, and economic needs. The SCS is the blueprint by which each region intends to meet its greenhouse gas emissions reductions target.

What is Plan Bay Area?

Plan Bay Area is the region's first SCS. It was adopted by the ABAG Executive Board and MTC in July 2013. An updated Plan Bay Area must be completed by 2017.

Why are both organizations involved in preparing Plan Bay Area?

In SB 375 legislation, the state outlined the roles of each organization in preparing the SCS, as well as joint responsibilities.

ABAG's statutory responsibilities:

- Identify the general location of uses, residential densities, and building intensities within the region
- Identify areas within the region sufficient to house the existing and projected population, considering state housing goals
- Gather and consider the best practically available scientific information regarding resource areas and farmland

MTC's statutory responsibilities:

- Identify a transportation network to service the transportation needs of the region
- Allow the regional transportation plan to comply with Section 176 of the federal Clean Air Act

Joint statutory responsibilities:

- Set forth a forecasted development pattern for the region which, when integrated with the transportation network, will reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Management Partners wants to hear from stakeholders...

To share your perspective on this merger study, please visit the project website for a schedule of outreach events and options for giving feedback.

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*Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515*

*Anna G. Eshoo
Eighteenth District
California*

March 4, 2016

Ms. Raania Mohsen, Executive Director
Cities Association of Santa Clara County
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Dear Ms. Mohsen,

I'm writing to request that the Cities Association of Santa Clara County Executive Board of Directors appoint two locally elected officials and one alternate for each appointment who reside in the 18th Congressional District of Santa Clara County to the FAA Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals. This is a new committee the Federal Aviation Administration and Office of the Director of the San Francisco Airport (SFO) have agreed to work with to address the ongoing issue of aircraft noise and adopt regional solutions. Santa Clara County and Santa Cruz County do not have representation on a body involving SFO and the majority of the constituent complaints in the 18th Congressional District involve aircraft arrivals into SFO.

Congressman Farr, Congresswoman Speier and I have been working together to address this complex issue and as a result of our collaborative effort with many local cities and community leaders, it has become clear there is a need for a new local committee to assist the FAA in identifying regional solutions. Significant work has already been accomplished by many intelligent, hard-working citizens. Local regional support is building toward solutions that will result in relief for our constituents. This new committee is important to make certain that communities, including those who could be affected in the future, have the opportunity to voice concerns about any proposals or possible changes by the FAA. The Committee will assist in making sure noise is not shifted from one community to another. The Select Committee will be structured as follows:

- The Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals will focus on SFO/South Bay arrivals that impact Santa Clara County, San Mateo County and Santa Cruz County residents that comprise the 14th, 18th, and 20th Congressional Districts.

- The Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals will consist of twelve members, with four appointed to represent each of the three Congressional Districts.
- Members of the Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals will be elected officials (City Council member or a member of the County Board of Supervisors). All alternates must also be elected officials.
- The Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals will hold hearings in locations to be determined by them in communities impacted by arriving flights, including Santa Clara, San Mateo and Santa Cruz Counties.
- Determination of quorum, tie votes and other procedural matters, will be determined according to the SFO Airport/FAA Select Committee.

I thank you in advance for your assistance and cooperation. I'm hopeful the Cities Association can select appointees as soon as possible, ideally in the coming weeks. Should you have any questions, you can call Karen Chapman, my Chief of Staff of our District Office in Palo Alto at (650) 323-2984.

Most gratefully,



Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress

cc: Mr. Glen Martin, Regional Administrator, FAA
Mr. John Martin, Director, San Francisco International Airport

8 March 2016

Raania Mohson
Executive Director
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Dear Cities Association Selection Committee

I write this letter to express my interest in being appointed to the Aviation Select Committee that will be formed with two delegates from the Santa Clara County Cities Association.

The Los Altos Hills City Council has appointed me as their representative to work with the FAA and our elected Representative, Anna Eshoo in our endeavor to convince the FAA to alter their original implementation of the NextGen Flight regimes. I have also been the Los Altos Hills delegate to the Quiet Skies Initiative in Los Altos and Los Altos Hills.

The NextGen system was created with the idea of improving flight efficiency and lowering operating costs and attendant air pollution associated with commercial airlines. However, since its imposition since early 2015, the FAA's redesign of standardized Aircraft Approach and Departure routes has raised the ire of thousands of citizens across the country because of the impact on their lives. Our San Francisco Bay Area Metroplex is just one of those areas that are affected.

With the FAA's imposition of the NextGen flight system, Commercial Airplane Noise has increased significantly. Many of our citizens have been affected. A significant, vocal number of our residents from all over the South Bay Region have had their quality of life adversely affected. As a result, ad-hoc groups have self-organized to marshal their efforts to convince the FAA's leadership that their first incarnation of the NextGen system of Aircraft Approaches to the San Francisco and San Jose Airports are in need of revision.

Last July and again yesterday, as the appointed LAH delegate, I attended a meeting with FAA officials that was convened by Anna Eshoo in Palo Alto and again yesterday in another meeting that was held in Los Altos. I attended as the City Council appointed attendee at each of those meetings in addition to being the appointed spokesman for the citizen groups of five other cities including Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Palo Alto, Portola Valley, Menlo Park, and Woodside.

As for primary qualifications, I offer the following considerations: I am a retired pilot, with significant aviation domain experience; with both instrument and glider ratings and over 2,000 hours of Pilot-in-Command experience. Prior to retirement, I was also a Lockheed Systems Engineer with considerable aviation and aerospace background.

With my ongoing involvement and interest with this issue, my domain experience and my knowledge of how the changes have affected our residents not only in my city, but in cities all over the region, I express my interest in becoming one of the Santa Clara County Cities Association delegates to the Select Committee.

I thank the selection committee for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Gary C. Waldeck
Vice Mayor
Los Altos Hills

Cc:
Los Altos Hills City Manager
Los Altos Hills City Council

4 March 2016

Raania Mohsen
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Dear Cities Association Selection Committee,

Since June of 2015, I have been acting as the Saratoga City Council contact person for citizen complaints regarding the increased noise level resulting from the FAA's change in flight patterns in the San Francisco Bay Area early last year. This new plan, which was developed to create a more efficient, stable glide path, reduce fuel consumption, and result in safer landings and take-offs, failed to consider the noise impact on citizens in the new flight paths. In Saratoga alone this tremendously affects areas located in the Summit, Bohlman Road, Montalvo, and Mt Eden areas, just to name a few. Adjacent areas, situated in the County (near Paul Masson) and in the Los Gatos mountains are also greatly impacted.

On July 24, 2015 I was invited as Saratoga's representative to attend the FAA/Community meeting convened by Congresswoman Anna Eshoo. Since that time I have been in contact with Saratoga and nearby county residents and have stayed abreast of various community groups' research as they have worked to find a mutually satisfying answer to the complex issues connected with the NextGen Metroplex airspace design.

On Monday, March 7th I am the designated Saratoga representative at a follow-up meeting with local elected officials from each community in the 18th Congressional District to discuss the "FAA Initiative to Address Noise Concerns of Santa Clara/Santa Cruz/San Mateo/San Francisco Counties." I am optimistic this meeting will be a positive step going forward. However, I also know hands-on follow-up will be essential to the success of these efforts.

As a result of my ongoing involvement with this issue, knowledge of the impacts on the surrounding community, and understanding of the proposals for improvements, I would like to express my interest in being appointed to the FAA Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals.

Thank you Selection Committee for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Mary-Lynne Bernald
Council Member
City of Saratoga

March 8, 2016

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Dear Board Members of the Cities Association:

As your Vice President, I would like to express my interest in being appointed to the newly formed FAA Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals. This issue of increase airplane noise and its effect on our communities has galvanized several citizen groups from Santa Cruz to Palo Alto. Airplane noise has had a significant and negative impact on our local communities as we have seen a dramatic and disproportionate change in airplane flights over our communities in the past few years.

During the National League of Cities convention in Washington DC, I met with Anna Eschoo's office regarding this issue and may have a meeting with the FAA regarding this issue.

The FAA is working on a proposal(s) that will suggest changes to the SFO arrival routes. Their intent is to have the proposal vetted and a consensus developed by the Select Committee on how to move forward on this issue.

As a member of the Select Committee, I would represent our region and take all cities concerns into effect. We must find solutions that do not shift the burden from one city to another but improve the situation for all.

As most of you know, I have a strong commitment to our region, serving on the ABAG Executive Board, its finance committee and its administrative committee that is working with MTC regarding the possible merger with ABAG. I also serve on The Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) as well as several other regional bodies. I served as Mayor of Palo Alto in 2013 and am currently Vice Mayor.

I have been very involved in the Cities Association and have served as its Treasurer, Second Vice President and Vice President as well as its executive Board and many of its committees.

I would appreciate your support for this very important assignment.

Very truly yours,

H. Gregory Scharff
Vice Mayor Palo Alto



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Mayor and Council Members
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February 29, 2016

Re: Agenda Item 7.1 - Update on Community Choice Aggregation, an Alternative Model to Provide Energy to San José Residents and Businesses

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo, Vice Mayor Herrera and Council members Rocha, Nguyen, Kalra, Khamis, Carrasco, Nguyen, Oliverio, Peralez and Jones:

I write on behalf of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County in support of the City of San Jose's exploration of Community Choice Energy. The Cities Association of Santa Clara County is a collaboration of the 15 cities in the county of Santa Clara and addresses issues of mutual concern across the county to improve the quality of life for the people of our region. We encourage the City Council to explore a Community Choice Energy Program in San Jose.

As you know, Community Choice Energy allows a city to enter into energy purchase agreements from renewable sources, which residents can voluntarily utilize; it has the proven ability to reduce electricity rate and rapidly green the grid. Existing Community Choice Energy programs are providing cleaner energy, at equal or lower rates, while keeping more energy revenue in the local economy, and providing local oversight of programs and rates. Dozens of communities across California, including all 20 of San Mateo County's cities and most of the cities in Santa Clara County, have evaluated Community Choice Energy and have embraced this opportunity.

In Santa Clara County, eleven jurisdictions have now committed to joining the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority, a new JPA that will oversee the implementation of Community Choice Energy. SVCEA becomes effective beginning April 1, 2016. However, unlike the San Jose staff recommendation, SVCEA is a self-contained non-profit initiative, and not a third-party for-profit effort.

For San Jose residents and businesses, Community Choice Energy has the potential to offer lower electricity rates. In addition to considering implementing the program through an entity that would develop, finance, launch, and operate the program for

profit, I urge you to also consider implementing the program as a non-profit through your organization. By self-implementing, San Jose can provide power at lower rates for San Jose's residents. While the initial cost can be intimidating, a functional CCE will repay all start-up costs in a very short period of time.

The Cities Association of Santa Clara County strongly supports Community Choice Energy and encourages the City of San José to evaluate the economic and environmental benefits Community Choice may bring to San José.

Respectfully,



Jim Griffith
President, Cities Association of Santa Clara County
Council Member, City of Sunnyvale

Cc: Board of Directors, Cities Association of Santa Clara County



By Mail or on June 7, 2016,

Vote YES on Measure AA For a Clean and Healthy San Francisco Bay

Vote YES on Measure AA for a clean and healthy San Francisco Bay! This measure is critical to restoring wetlands and protecting wildlife habitat throughout the Bay Area.

San Francisco Bay: Part of All of Our Lives

The Bay is a part of all of our lives – whether we live along the Bay; work there; walk, jog or visit parks along its shores; or simply appreciate it as we drive over a bridge. The Bay also attracts tourists, supports commercial fishing and attracts quality employers to the region – all of which help keep our economy strong.

San Francisco Bay Is Threatened

Pollution and other problems have put the health of the Bay at serious risk. Fish in the Bay are contaminated with harmful chemicals like PCBs, mercury and pesticides. More than 150 years of development, diking and filling have dramatically reduced our wetlands from over 200,000 acres to only 40,000 acres.

Protecting and Restoring Our Bay

Measure AA will restore wetlands throughout the Bay Area, which provide habitat for fish and wildlife and filter out pollutants from water to reduce toxins that threaten the ecosystem. Wetlands also act as a natural barrier against flooding.

Passing Measure AA to restore our Bay will provide urban recreational open space and increased public access to the shoreline, a resource we all cherish. This includes extending the Bay Trail and completing gaps in it.

Voting YES on AA Will:

- Reduce trash, pollution and harmful toxins in the Bay
- Improve water quality
- Restore habitat for fish, birds and wildlife
- Protect communities from floods
- Increase shoreline public access



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YES! I support Measure AA for a clean and healthy San Francisco Bay!

Add my name to your growing public list of supporters.

I will:

- Volunteer to make phone calls
- Volunteer to walk a precinct
- Display a lawn sign
- Donate to the campaign

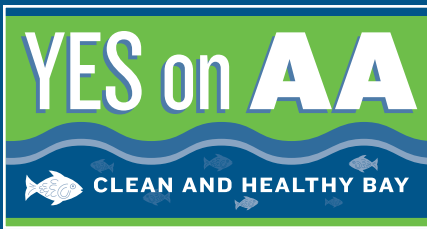
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By Mail or on June 7, 2016,

Vote YES on Measure AA For a Clean and Healthy San Francisco Bay

Measure AA Is Fiscally Accountable

- All funds must stay in the Bay Area to be used only on local habitat restoration and wildlife protection projects.
- An independent citizens' oversight committee will oversee funds to ensure they are spent as promised.
- Independent audits and annual public reports will ensure transparency.
- Projects must be funded in every part of the Bay, with 50% of the total revenue allocated to the North Bay, East Bay, South Bay and West Bay proportional to population size. Santa Clara County, as the most populous of the nine counties, will receive a minimum of 12%, or \$60 million.
- Measure AA could also leverage more state and federal funds for San Francisco Bay, which now receives much less federal support for water quality improvement and restoration work than other major watersheds.

San Jose Mercury News

EDITORIAL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2015

“The San Francisco Bay’s existing wetlands are part of the area’s beauty, provide habitat for endangered species and migratory birds and offer recreational opportunities...Business and environmental organizations around the Bay support the restoration plan. So do advocates of low income communities vulnerable to flooding, from Alviso to Richmond. We hope when voters understand the need, they will agree.”

Broad Support in Santa Clara County

- Environmental organizations, conservation donors and community groups like The Nature Conservancy, Audubon California, Trust for Public Land, Environmental Defense Fund, Ducks Unlimited, Silicon Valley Community Foundation and the Santa Clara County League of Conservation Voters
- Key business leaders such as the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and the Bay Area Council
- A large and growing list of municipal, county, state and federal policymakers, including U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein; Congresswoman Anna Eshoo; State Senators Jerry Hill, Jim Beall and Bob Wieckowski; Assemblymember Mark Stone; Santa Clara County Supervisors Cindy Chavez, Ken Yeager and Joseph Simitian; and Mayors Sam Liccardo of San Jose, Patricia Showalter of Mountain View and Manny Capello of Saratoga

Passing this critical measure will ensure that our children and grandchildren inherit a clean and healthy San Francisco Bay – one that will be part of their lives the way it is part of ours. Join environmental, business and labor organizations, elected officials and community leaders and **vote YES on AA to protect San Francisco Bay** – our greatest natural treasure.

For more information, please contact PCHBVolunteersSantaClara@gmail.com.

