



# Memorandum

AGENDA NO: 11b

MEETING DATE: September 3, 2019

**To:** City Council

**Date:** September 3, 2019

**From:** Vice Mayor Emily Beach

**Subject:** Committee Report

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## Thursday, 8/22/19

- Caltrain Local Policy Makers Group: discussion of Caltrain's "moderate growth" service vision which Caltrain staff recommended to the JPB Board. Below is a brief summary, and how this vision would impact Burlingame. If the Board adopts this in October, it's a pretty transformative vision for the railroad:
  - 20 of the 32 stops along the Caltrain corridor between SF and Gilroy will get at least 4 Caltrains per direction every hour (i.e. 15 min headway)
  - 9 of those 20 stops will get 8 Caltrains per direction every hour (these are the big hubs like SF, South SF, Hillsdale, Redwood City, Palo Alto, Mountain View, etc.)
  - Millbrae gets 6 Caltrains per direction every hour
  - Broadway Burlingame restores weekday service with 30 min headways (2 per hour)
  - Burlingame Station gets 30 min headways (2 per hour)
  - Here is a link to the full August 2019 [LPMG slide deck](#).

### Additional notes:

- Overall, Caltrain estimates 40% increase in population along Caltrain corridor during the next 20 years.
- Moderate growth scenario removes the equivalent of 5.5 new freeway lanes of automobile traffic off the highway.
- Part of moderate growth vision recommends future grade separation projects should be designed in a way that does not preclude passing tracks to accommodate future railroad growth and service needs.

## Friday, 8/23/19

- Group constituent meeting; robust discussion about local traffic and Broadway Grade Separation
- San Mateo County Express Lane JPA Finance Committee Meeting
  - Discussed FY20 operating budget and potential loans from SMCTA & C/CAG to the JPA, and how that will be repaid from the future JPA toll revenues.
- Council of Cities Dinner with Congresswoman Jackie Speier
  - Inspirational discussion; included federal government update and discussion about how cities can impact national issues like reducing gun violence, education around the 2020 census, environmental protection, fire protection, and public safety

## Saturday, 8/24/19

- C/CAG Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee site visit tour of projects submitted for grant applications that will be scored by our committee in September. Tour included eight scheduled site visits including projects in Foster City, Burlingame, South San Francisco, and Brisbane among others.

**Monday, 8/26/19**

- Celebration of Women Leaders event at NASA Ames sponsored by Silicon Valley Leadership Group. Speakers included business, community, and Congressional leaders.
- C/CAG Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee
  - Discussed and approved draft 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for San Mateo County
  - Received presentation on San Mateo County Energy and Water Strategy 2025

**Wednesday, 6/19/19**

- Constituent meeting regarding affordable housing

***Selected meeting highlights from summer 2019 recess:*****Thursday, 7/11/19**

- San Mateo County Transportation Authority Board Meeting: approved \$18.3m grant for Broadway Grade Separation. Thank you Mayor Colson for attending our Board meeting to show City support!

**Friday, 7/12/19**

- San Mateo County Express Lane JPA Meeting – approved California Transportation Commission application to allow JPA ownership and policy control over US 101 Express Lanes

**Thursday, 7/25/19**

- Caltrain Local Policy Makers Group High Speed Rail presentation and update
  - Preferred alternative HSR Authority Board will consider includes maintenance facility in Brisbane, no passing tracks in Redwood City. HSR will be required to install quad gates at grade crossings, which is expensive and required infrastructure to apply for quiet zones.
  - HSR project delivery vision: SF to Bakersfield by 2029; SF to LA by 2033.

**Tuesday, 7/30/19**

- Meeting with Housing for All Burlingame advocates

**Thursday, 8/1/19**

- San Mateo County Transportation Authority Board Meeting

**Tuesday, 8/6/19**

- Visited National Night Out neighborhood events throughout town

**Friday, 8/9/19**

- Attended Senator Jerry Hill's constituent event at Il Piccolo Caffè

**Monday, 8/12/19**

- League of California Cities Peninsula Executive Board Meeting

**Wednesday, 8/14/19**

- Economic Development Subcommittee Meeting with hoteliers

**Friday, 8/16/19**

- Attended Peninsula Temple Shalom rabbinic anniversary celebration

**Sunday, 8/18/19**

- Attended Burlingame on the Avenue Street Festival (thank you Chamber of Commerce!) and volunteered at Rotary tent