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ded Action: Update from the Alameda County Transportation Commission on the San Pablo Avenue Corridor Project. [Requested by Director Walsh - 3/10/2021]

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Notes:

Tess Lengyel, Executive Director of the Alameda County Transportation Commission, introduced the item and Director of Planning Cathleen Sullivan presented an overview of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 project elements, saying that discussions with the City of Berkeley will continue about an extension of the project into the City as well as bike lane access.

Public Comment:

Sheela Gunn-Cushman requested that blind bus riders not be forgotten in regard to bus stop removal and intersection wayfinding in the scope of the San Pablo Avenue Corridor Project. Gunn-Cushman requested that safety continue to be prioritized.

Jefferson shared some concerns and ideas encouraging AC Transit to expand service by prioritizing bus service with limited/lowered priority towards service with BART.

Board Discussion:

Director Shaw asked how successful staff has been in working with business owners and chambers of commerce in identifying options to address loading issues that

may result from the construction of bus-only lanes. Ms. Sullivan advised that staff has had mixed success during Phase I because there are no organized business groups along San Pablo Avenue. She added that there would be more door-to-door outreach interactions during the next phase of the project to explain the benefits of the project while also learning more about the specific needs of businesses in terms of loading access.

Director Peeples commented that there is a huge difference between Contra Costa County and Alameda County in terms of bike routes. He also pointed out that changes in elective representation within cities will also impact the project and expressed support for the extension of the bus lane into Berkeley and was also glad to see bus bulbs included in the project.

Director Walsh asked where the bike lanes would be. Ms. Sullivan reported that the outside travel lane would be converted to a bus-only lane and the curb space would be a protected bike lane. Director Walsh asked if there were plans for a shared bus/bike lane. Ms. Sullivan advised that outreach with merchants and store fronts was intended to better understand loading needs, adding that curb space may need to be used for loading, which may cause spaces to be shared for bus/bike or pedestrian/bike in order to add a loading zone.

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