

May 4, 2021

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors 1600 Franklin Street Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Board Item SR 21-255 Pilot Service – Line 60 South Hayward BART Extension

Members of the Board,

As president of the Hayward Chamber of Commerce, I write to urge your support of a pilot project that extends service on Line 60, linking both California State University, East Bay, Chabot College, and the Tennyson business district with the Hayward and South Hayward BART stations.

This service would remove the requirement for riders to take multiple connections to travel between the South Hayward BART Station and Chabot College. With nearly 14,000 students at each institution, Chabot and Cal State East Bay are designated as Hispanic-serving by the US Department of Education and the extended Line 60 would pass through one of the most ethnically diverse and economically-challenged communities in the Bay Area.

Alameda County Workforce Development Board statistics report nearly 5,600 layoffs in the Hayward/Eden area since the beginning of the pandemic. By serving both BART stations, two colleges and the downtown and Tennyson business districts, an extended Line 60 will contribute to educating and rebuilding the workforce of the third-largest city in the East Bay as well as bringing customers to our retail districts.

Singerely,

Kim Huggett

President & CEO



May 7, 2021

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As demonstrated by Hayward's commitment for an Inclusive, Equitable, and Compassionate Community (CIECC), Hayward supports diverse and inclusive communities. The City of Hayward is in support of the Line 60 pilot project that extends service on Line 60 from Chabot College south to the South Hayward BART station. This pilot project will serve South Hayward, a community within the state's top 25th percentile of disadvantaged and underserved communities as defined by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). This would provide a one-seat ride connection between South Hayward BART Station and Chabot College, as well as provide additional frequency for bus service along Tennyson Road.

The Hayward Transportation Division receives several requests for increased transit services around the Chabot College area since June 17, 2018 when AC Transit Line 22, a bus route that connected Chabot College and the South Hayward and Hayward BART Stations, terminated its services and left many Chabot students with more busses to catch, higher travel costs, and a significant increase in travel time.

With less travel options, Chabot College students and faculty and residents from the state's top 25th percentile of underserved communities South Hayward must take more buses to get to their destination. The fare for a single ride on AC Transit is \$2.50. Riders who only needed to take one line to their destination totaled two trips a day and would pay \$5.00. The cost of an AC Transit day pass is \$5.50 for riders that take three or more busses daily. This is an increase of \$0.50 per person daily. On a tight budget, \$0.50 is a lot of money and adds up over time.

The Line 60 extension has been requested by Chabot College and the community for quite some time and the data shows ridership is in demand. The Line 60 extension will contribute to educating and rebuilding our workforce and providing people with more travel and employment opportunities.

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Sincerely,

Alex Ameri, P.E.

Director of Public Works

Cc: Kelly McAdoo, City Manager, City of Hayward

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RICHARD VALLE Supervisor, District 2

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This service would remove the requirement for riders to take multiple connections to travel between the South Hayward BART Station and Chabot College. With nearly 14,000 students at each institution, Chabot and Cal State East Bay are designated as Hispanic serving by the US Department of Education and the extended Line 60 would pass through one of the most ethnically diverse and economically challenged communities in the Bay Area. This would serve as an important

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Valle



SENT VIA EMAIL

May 7, 2021

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Dear Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors,

I am writing to respectfully request consideration for the extension of AC Transit Route 60 that directly connects South Hayward to Chabot College.

As you know, the extension of Route 60 would provide a one-seat ride connection between South Hayward BART Station and Chabot College as well as provide additional frequency for bus service along Tennyson Road. Currently, riders have to take multiple connections to travel between the BART Station and Chabot College which is a barrier for students to attend college, especially those from low-income families, students with disabilities and those who are English language learners as well as those who are of high school age attending college through our concurrent enrollment programs.

This is an item that has been requested by Chabot College for quite some time and the data shows that the ridership is there.

We very much hope that the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors will approve this route in the current planning cycle to begin by December 2021 to not only increase the educational access to this low-income community, but also to increase the socio-economic conditions in which this neighborhood experiences through enhanced access to living wage employment that a college credential will afford. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Matt Kritscher, Ed.D.

Vice President, Student Services

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Chabot College



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Dear AC Transit Board Member:

I write to urge your support of a pilot project which would extend service on Line 60, linking California State University East Bay, Chabot College and the Tennyson business district with the Hayward and South Hayward BART stations.

If adopted, this service would remove the requirement for riders to take multiple connections to travel between the South Hayward BART Station and Chabot College. With nearly 14,000 students at each institution, both Cal State East Bay and Chabot College are designated as Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI's) by the United States Department of Education. This pilot project extending Line 60 service would pass through one of the most ethnically diverse and economically challenged communities in the Bay Area. It would also provide our students who travel to/from South Hayward BART station with a more convenient way to get to our campus as well.

As you may know, since the onset of the pandemic, statistics compiled by the Alameda County Workforce Development Board report nearly 5,600 layoffs in the Hayward/Eden area. By serving both BART stations, two colleges and the downtown and Tennyson business districts, an extended Line 60 will contribute to educating and rebuilding our workforce and bringing customers to merchants throughout the City of Hayward.

Upon review, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (510) 885-3877. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cathy A. Sandeen

President

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