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Subject:

Draft Outline for an Oakland Transportation Plan & Wishlist

Introduction

This draft outline is submitted for discussion purposes in preparation for the Countywide Transportation Plan (CWTP) and Measure B renewal. The CWTP will include capital, operating and maintenance needs for Alameda County. Programs and projects identified in the CWTP will be funded by the sales tax revenue generated from Measure B. Please consider this outline as a basis for discussion for Oakland's transportation needs and priorities that will be developed into an Oakland Transportation Plan submitted for the CWTP.

Discussion

- I. Local road and sidewalk repair and maintenance
 - a) Ongoing source of funds for local maintenance and repairs
 - b) Support local job creation
 - c) Include funding for deep, long-term preventive repair that reduces costs in the long-term
 - d) Intersection improvements (e.g. improving intersection flow projects at various locations citywide)
 - e) Testing/implementation of new systems such as Recycled asphalt, roadway surfaces that reduce noise, etc.
 - f) Intelligent Transportation System completion of a Traffic Management Center for Oakland that tracks major roadway flows/and interconnected signals by fiber optics
 - g) Traffic Signal timing and improvements (e.g. installing upgraded traffic signals to coordinate signal timing, and allow for rapid transit and emergency vehicles to have signal priority).
 - h) Truck route designation, heavy-weight pavement improvement, and signage
 - i) Improvements to rail crossings

II. Transit operations and key new service

Ensure ongoing source to fund transit operations, including ensuring access to work, school, and vital services. Through programs and projects such as:

- a) Eco passes with employers, including City of Oakland employees (also known as EasyPass at AC Transit, http://www.actransit.org/rider-info/easypass/easypass-for-employers/)
- b) Free youth passes/school district discount pass system
- c) Night-time service and service to job sites
- d) Transit access for health and recreation destinations
- e) Paratransit
- f) Broadway streetcar, http://www.oaklandstreetcarplan.com/ (Broadway shuttle as interim first step; including new shuttle stops)
- g) Rapid Bus improvements on key corridors (San Pablo, MacArthur, 98th Ave, etc.) including bus pads to prevent pavement dents and other Rapid Transit improvements
- h) Hegenberger corridor Light Rail connecting Oakland International Airport to the Eastmont Transit Hub

IIL Transit Oriented Development

- a) Seek planning funds to complete full planning of Priority Development Areas and other Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Projects
- b) Seek support for resources for Implementation of TOD plans both in terms of
 - a. Nodes a focused point of infill development, also called hubs, such as a BART station; and
 - b. Corridors street areas identified as priorities for infill development; as well as
 - c. Seeking support for the needed surrounding infrastructure improvements, e.g. sidewalks, bike lanes, lighting, etc.

Nodes/Hubs: (examples)

Coliseum Station Area¹

Broadway/Valdez
Downtown BART Stations (12th & 19th)

Eastmont Town Center Area

Fruitvale BART (Phase I already complete)

Lake Merritt Station Area

MacArthur BART Station

West Oakland BART Station

Priority Development Corridors: (examples)

Level A: East 14th/International Blvd, Broadway, San Pablo

Level B: MacArthur, Hegenberger, Telegraph, Foothill, Shattuck, 98th Ave

IV: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities and Programs

- a) Safe Routes to Schools
- b) Update and Implement Bicycle Master Plan, http://www.oaklandpw.com/page122.aspx
- c) Provide Bike repair and rental programs
- d) Update and Implement the Pedestrian Master Plan, http://www.oaklandnet.com/government/pedestrian/index.html
- e) Implement ADA-related improvements
- f) Implement wayfinding signage in business districts and major corridors

¹ Coliseum Live

Examples of projects which could be completed soon for major impact(s):

- a) Key connections, e.g.4Ist Street, Clay/Washington, Fruitvale, connections to schools and other job and transit hubs
- b) Staffed bike stations (secure parking, repairs, etc), e.g. Uptown (by 19th Street BART)

V: Goods Movement

- a) Regional truck route study completion
- b) Truck route design, implementation, signage, and enforcement
- c) Provide a truck service center at or near the Port (including servicing and maintaining retrofits) and safe access to bathrooms, food, and other amenities for truck drivers
- d) Implement cold-ironing and other Port pollution reduction technologies (including for ships)
- e) Expand and improve rail connections for Port and other trade and logistical sites
- f) Reduce idling delay and waiting in line for truck drivers picking up/dropping off at Port

VI. Regional Projects Important to Oakland

- a) Army Base: 7th Street Corridor and related area improvements
- b) Downtown Access: Begin the EIR process and implement the Broadway/Jackson project, which includes new downtown freeway access from I-880 onto 5th Street and from Market Street onto I-880; fixing the Posey Tube exit and safety issues from Alameda into Oakland; and, widening the I-880 Oak Street north off-ramp
- c) Complete the I-880 Regional improvement projects, including: 23rd/29th Street freeway reconfiguration; and, 42nd/High Street reconfiguration
- d) Soundwalls where needed along Highway 24

VII. Other

- a) Taxis expand and improve existing taxi stand placement
- b) Public safety services, such as Safety Ambassadors or dedicated walking beat patrols, for general pedestrian safety, safe routes to schools, etc.
- c) Car share pods for services like City CarShare, http://www.citycarshare.org/
- d) Alternative fuels e.g. electric charging and biodiesel station for trucks and automobiles
- e) Parking demand management study (and implementation tools)
- f) Re-arranging parking to make it more effective (e.g. garages in certain spots)
- g) Transportation committee to oversee and ensure implementation of City's transportation plans and services
- h) Smart Streets Master Plan long-range goal to integrate the Pedestrian Safety Plan, Bicycle Master Plan, Streetscape Plans, PDA's and Street Design Guidelines into a comprehensive "Complete Streets" Vision Document for Oakland