



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Regular Meeting of March 26, 2019

TO: Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: David Biggs, City Manager
Mike Roberts, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Update on WestCAT Bus Service

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Report, Discuss, and Provide Direction, if any.

FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION: None as a result of this report.

DISCUSSION: The City Council recently requested an update on WestCAT bus service and WestCAT General Manager Charlie Anderson will be in attendance to provide the Council with a service update. Attached is the current service map for WestCAT (Attachment A).

In addition, City staff is currently working with WestCAT to introduce bus service to the Bayfront. This service introduction has been made possible by the completion of the City's Path to Transit project. This interim service introduction is planned to be an extension of JX and/or JPX service to the El Cerrito del Norte BART station. In order to introduce this service, staff is currently working on the design of interim improvements which would allow the buses to stop on Bayfront Boulevard to pick up and drop off passengers, travel up Bayfront towards Railroad Avenue and then use the alley to parallel to Bayfront to return to Bayfront Boulevard via Ernest Street. In addition, staff is working on a Memorandum of Understanding with the property owner, David Cury, for the use of the parcel through which the alley passes and upon which there is an access easement, to facilitate the use by busses.

In addition to facilitating bus service, these interim improvements will also provide for an interim dedicated pedestrian connection along Bayfront Boulevard between the Bay Trail East and Bay Trail West segments. Attached is the current conceptual design for these improvements (Attachment 2).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. WestCAT Service Map
2. Conceptual Interim Bus Service Improvement Design

Financial Impact

Description:

Funding Source:

Budget Recap:

Total Estimated cost:	\$	New Revenue:	\$
Amount Budgeted:	\$	Lost Revenue:	\$
New funding required:	\$	New Personnel:	\$
Council Policy Change:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		