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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL AND EMAIL (comments@I80Ashby.com)

Tess Lengyel
Executive Director
Alameda County Transportation Commission
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Re: Letter of Support for the Alameda CTC San Pablo Avenue Multimodal Improvement Project ("Project")

Dear Executive Director Lengyel:

The City Council of the City of Emeryville writes this letter to show the City's support for the Alameda CTC San Pablo Avenue Multimodal Improvement Project ("Project"). The City appreciates how the Project team has been engaging with the general public, businesses, City staff, and the bicycle and pedestrian advocacy groups during the project development process thus far.

The City will continue to work closely with and support Alameda CTC, and other stakeholders, in getting the Project to the finish line while also accommodating our local community/business needs.

Collaboration to date includes a presentation of the project by the Alameda CTC team to the Emeryville Transportation Committee at its November 4, 2021 meeting. The Transportation Committee approved a motion to forward a letter of support for the Project to the Emeryville City Council with the following Project design considerations, and the City Council at its March 15, 2022 meeting supported these considerations:

1. Recommend the Project move forward with "Option A" for the near-term pilot including:
 - a) Side-running bus lanes
 - b) Protected micro-mobility / bike lanes
 - c) Design development at intersections, driveways, limited loading areas, and bus stops with consideration for all modes of transportation
 - d) Robust public outreach/engagement along San Pablo Avenue

2. Recommend the Project identify areas where limited loading areas shall be considered with the following criteria:
 - a) Mid-block parcels with no off-street parking/loading options within a reasonable distance of the parcel
3. Recommend the Project consider additional design efforts for the 40th Street / San Pablo Avenue Transit Hub Area including:
 - a) Curb changes
 - b) Paratransit/ADA Access
 - c) Caltrans Design Exceptions (Queuing, Signal Timing, and Lane Widths)
 - d) Diversion Analysis
 - e) Utility Relocations

Since the November Transportation Committee Meeting, the Alameda CTC Project team along with staff from each of the involved cities has conducted public outreach to community members and local businesses along the San Pablo Avenue corridor. The preliminary results of this public outreach were shared at the March 15th City Council meeting, demonstrating the thorough nature of the project team's outreach efforts to date.

The City of Emeryville is in full support of the Project's purpose, needs, expected outcomes, and expected benefits. We look forward to continuing to work with the Alameda CTC on this and many other projects in and around Emeryville.

Very Truly Yours,

John Bauters
Mayor of the City of Emeryville