

Tasman East TAC Meeting #1

19 May 2016

Meeting Minutes

To:	John Davidson	Project Name:	Tasman East
From:	Dennis Dornan	Project No:	491612.000
Meeting:	19 May 2016	Subject:	TAC meeting #1
Location:	Santa Clara City Hall		
Attendees			

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John Davidson (JD)	City of Santa Clara
Lee Butler (LB)	City of Santa Clara
Geeti Silwal (GS)	Perkins+Will
Dennis Dornan (DD)	Perkins+Will
Roel Merregillano (RM)	County of Santa Clara LEA
Paul Tavares (AM)	County of Santa Clara LEA
Melissa Cerezo (MC)	VTA
Corrine Winter (CW)	ACE
Mark Allgire (MA)	Santa Clara Unified School District
Michael Brilliot (MB)	City of San Jose Planning Dept.
Charlene Iwata (CI)	PGE

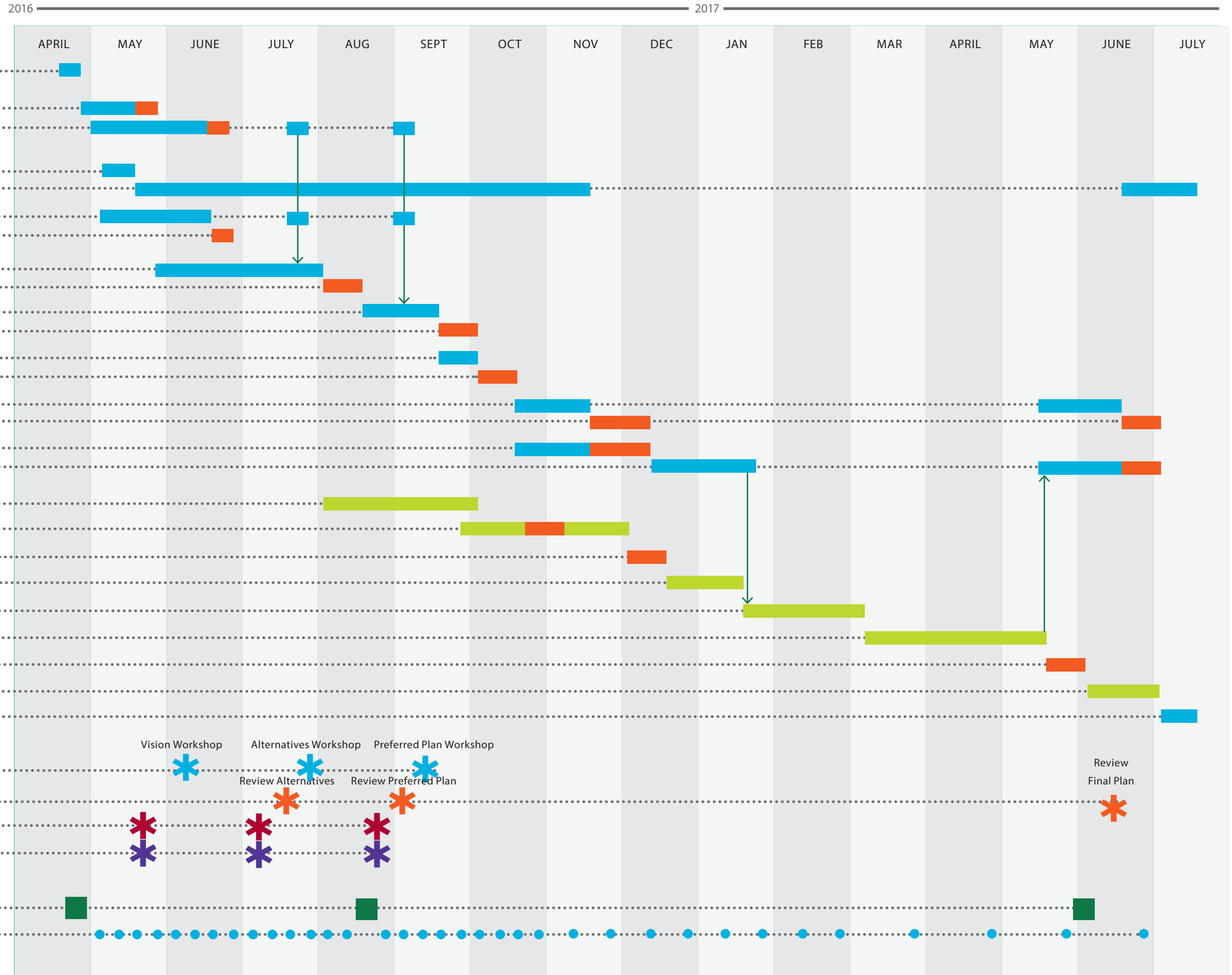
#	Item	Resp.	Due
1.0	INTRODUCTIONS		
2.0	PROJECT VISION		
2.1	JD and GS provided a brief overview of the project vision and goals and the City's aspirations for this site		
3.0	LESSONS LEARNED/ DESIGN CRITERIA		
3.1	DD provided a brief overview of the Design team structure and members. Copy of the Org. Chart is attached		
4.0	OUTLINE PROJECT SCHEDULE		
4.1	DD provided a brief overview of the project schedule with key durations, milestones and meetings identified. Copy of the outline schedule is attached		
5.0	TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP DISCUSSION		
5.1	<p>Santa Clara County comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to proximity to landfill (City Place site) the project will need an environmental review for any possible remediation from gases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Staff can assist with preliminary reviews but formal review would not occur until full project [proposal is submitted (after Specific plan and EIR is adopted) ○ Best case is no impacts, worst case would be barrier/ventilation/capture of gases • Post-closure testing at City Place site is ongoing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No off-site testing has been undertaken yet 		

<p>5.2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ But it is unlikely that any gas is escaping off-site <p>VTA comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plans for Transit Signal Priority in Tasman corridor; enhanced signal control for transit priority; wi-fi based monitoring ● In anticipation of BART connection (Berryessa will be 5 light rail stops away from Tasman East) VTA are looking at redesign of the bus and light rail network to take advantage of new service. Most likely will involve increased frequency of light rail service. Currently reviewing alternative concepts ● VTA intend to appoint a consultant team to design a 'complete streets' corridor for Tasman from Sunnyvale to Milpitas. VTA anticipates making the consultant appointment by October 2016, followed by 18-24 month study. Suggested improvements coming out of the Tasman East study will be welcome; VTA is looking to each of the cities along the corridor for advice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CSC Public Works also has proposals for bike lanes on Tasman; need to coordinate with VTA ○ VTA do not anticipate any changes to Lick Mill station as a consequence of the complete streets study ● VTA on-demand flex-transit (last mile) pilot project is ongoing; too early to reach any conclusions or lessons learned. Project area was recently expanded and now includes the Tasman East study area. VTA are trying to promote and increase awareness of the program ● VTA can provide ridership details/counts for Lick Mill station; numbers are high because of ability to transfer to Amtrak/ACE/Capital Corridor at heavy rail station, even though the physical connection is poor 		
<p>5.3</p>	<p>ACE comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Would like to see a more comprehensive Station Area Plan which improves connections between the light-rail and heavy-rail stations; connectivity is currently poor. Would like to see the light-rail station relocated to directly above the heavy rail station on the overpass but recognize the complications associated with the curvature of the overpass; platforms must be flat. Would also be willing to move the heavy rail station to the north of the overpass if this improves connectivity and access. Could CSC include funding for such a study in the City Place development agreement? ● Current ridership at Santa Clara Station is approx. 10,000 per day, projected to rise to 30-40,000 per day ● EIR is in process for adding second track within existing right-of-way. Installation of second track will affect platform configuration and will 		

5.4	<p>eliminate the pedestrian grade crossing from Lafayette. This will have to be replaced by a pedestrian bridge over the tracks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Union Pacific (UP) owns the tracks, even though they do not have much activity on this section of the network. Passenger service agreements with the operators are restrictive • Public and private shuttle services connect with trains at the Santa Clara Station; usually timed to be within 2 to 3 minutes of train arrivals. Shuttle services do not appear to be coordinated with each other • ACE would like to see better facilities for people disembarking with bicycles. Connectivity is currently poor 		
5.5	<p>City of San Jose comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CoSJ is currently updating the EIR for North San Jose to allow for more high density housing and more employment, especially along the North First street corridor. Phasing strategy includes thresholds for different uses. Currently looking to encourage more commercial development (approx. 11 million sf existing) • CoSJ have completed their (east) side of the Guadalupe River trail 		
5.6	<p>School district comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to see 6 acre school elementary site within the study area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Could be co-located with shared community facilities • Growth projections for the area = 500 children in new school • Would consider enhancements to the existing elementary school (Kathryn Hughes) to the south of the study area but would still want the 6 acres of land within the study area; little room for expansion at Kathryn Hughes • Would prefer to see the new school located as far as possible away from the landfill area <p>PGE comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will provide gas service to site <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can provide info on capacity of gas service • Can provide information on any utility easements in the area • Can provide info on the electricity line along Lafayette identified by BKF 		
6.0	ANY OTHER BUSINESS		
6.1	None raised		

OUTLINE PROJECT SCHEDULE

27 April 2016



ORGANIZATION CHART /

