San Carlos Multi-Modal Transit Center

San Carlos Planning Commission

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Project Goals

- Transform the existing parking lot into a multi-modal transit center that serves the San Carlos Caltrain Station
- Improve safety and accessibility between SamTrans fixed route bus service, Caltrain commuter rail, local shuttles, taxis, pedestrians and bicyclists
- Project aligns with SamTrans’ agency goals of increasing transit-oriented development along the Peninsula
Enhancing Existing Components:
• Increases parking from 201 spaces to 256
• Increases shuttle capacity from 1 to 3 dedicated spaces
• Increase bus capacity from 2 to 6 dedicated spaces

New Components Include:
• Dedicated bus/shuttle layover area
• Dedicated taxi waiting area
• New Kiss-and-Ride
• New bike/pedestrian access from San Carlos Avenue
• New vehicular entrance from Cherry St.
• New signalized intersection at Cherry St.
Additional Project Components Requested By the City:

• At least 23 short-term parking spaces (max. 3 hours)
• Car Share Parking
• After Hours Public Use
• Enhanced Safety Features
Design Components
Entrance Sign

Entry Monument Sign with Trellis
Improved streetscape built to City’s and Grand Blvd. Initiative development standards

- Wider sidewalks between El Camino Real and interior bus stops for better passenger flow and transit access
- Colored crosswalks for easy identification (City selects the color)
Furniture complements the City’s streetscape and is consistent with Grand Boulevard recommended design features.
Landscaping Features

- Pre-construction work requires existing tree and shrub removal
- Most trees will be replaced as part of the Transit Center development
- Trees will be Zelkova Serrata (Village Green)-24 inch box
Retaining Walls

• A new retaining wall will be incorporated adjacent to the railroad to ensure railroad safety, and to create more parking closer to the nearest buildings while enabling shuttle access.

• The wall height is limited to 4-feet for the smallest possible impact (the wall will be 110-feet long).

• The City will select the color of the wall.
Bus Shelters

New Customized Bus Shelters
Kiss-and-Ride

- The Kiss-and-Ride will be constructed with colored paved concrete for easy identification
- Color of paved concrete selected by City
- The feature allows for shuttle, commuter drop-off/pick up, and ADA access
Project Schedule (tentative and subject to change)

• Advertise and Award: September 2015 - November 2015

• Pre-Construction Site Clearance: Late January 2016 – February 2016

• Notice To Proceed: Late February 2016

• Construction: Mid-March 2016 - August 2016
Construction Impacts
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• Majority of work done during day
• Some night and weekend work required during certain construction activities
• Localized noise impacts
• Parking at the Station may be temporarily impacted during construction
• Vehicular and pedestrian restrictions will be required and signs will be posted
• Notification process
  – Mailers sent 14 days before starting construction, loud operations and/or night work
  – Notices are mailed to residents and businesses located up to a ½ mile from the project site
More Information

- www.samtrans.com/SCTC
  - Subscribe to email updates at top of page
- Email: sctc@samtrans.com
- Construction Outreach Hotline: 650.508.7726
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SCOPE & NEED

The San Carlos Multi-Modal Transit Center Project (Transit Center) is located on the west side of the railroad corridor at the site of the existing San Carlos Caltrain Station. The Transit Center project consists of transforming the existing San Carlos Caltrain Station parking lot into a multi-modal transit center that will better serve the community by improving safety and accessibility between SamTrans fixed route bus services, Caltrain commuter rail services, local shuttles, pedestrians and bicyclists.

The Transit Center project is part of the larger mixed-use transit-oriented development, the San Carlos Transit Village, which is a joint development between SamTrans and Prometheus Real Estate Group. For information about the San Carlos Transit Village Project visit: [http://cityofsancarlos.org/planning/projects/san_carlos_transit_village/default.asp](http://cityofsancarlos.org/planning/projects/san_carlos_transit_village/default.asp)

Upon project completion, the new Transit Center will increase parking, shuttle capacity and bus capacity at the station. It will also consist of dedicated bus and shuttle layover areas, taxi waiting areas, a new kiss-and-ride, and vehicular access improvements.

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AND IMPACTS

Pre-Construction Site Clearance

In preparation for construction of the Transit Center, SamTrans will need to do advance site clearance work to remove trees and vegetation within the existing parking lot. Site clearance work is expected to commence no sooner than January 20, 2016, and is expected to last two weeks. Work hours will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays only. There will be a slight increase of noise in the area due to the use of tree removal equipment. Most of the trees removed will be replaced with new trees as part of the Transit Center Project.

Transit Center Construction

Following the site clearance work, SamTrans is tentatively scheduled to begin construction on the Transit Center Project in mid-March and it is expected to last approximately 6 months. While a majority of the work will be concentrated in the Transit Center area, there will be some impacts to pedestrian and vehicular access.

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Added Updated Fact Sheet and Community Meeting Notice for March Public Meetings. -Brent Tietjen, tietjenb@samtrans.com