To: XCAP  
Agenda Item #3: Review Upcoming Schedule and Deliverables  
From: City Staff

The following slides are an excerpt from the Presentation shown at the November 7, 2019 Rail Community Meeting. These slides provide a general overview of where we are in the process as well as estimated dates for what's to come.


Full Presentation
• The City is guiding a community-based process to address impacts caused from Caltrain electrification and the increased service impacts on Palo Alto grade crossings

• Expanded Community Advisory Panel (XCAP) work continues and will inform the City Council’s decision as one form of input

• Timing is for the City Council to decide in Spring 2020 on preferred alternatives

• Goal is to gain community feedback all along the way throughout this process

• Today’s community meeting is the beginning of our next phase and community engagement is planned now through Spring 2020
Connecting Palo Alto Phases

Understanding the Options

- Engineering analysis
- Neighbors and other stakeholders provide input
- Ensure clarity in describing issues

Community Conversations

- Community-wide awareness and engagement
- Stakeholders advocate for/against options
- Integrate with regional initiatives

Decision-making

- Regional/funding viability assessed
- Local funding strategy defined
- XCAP Recommendation
- City Council decision

We are here
Community Conversations

• New website is launched
  – Evolving Frequently Asked Questions based on input tonight and through the process

• New blog series has begun to inform and bring the community up to speed

• New fact sheets are available tonight – seeking input on these as well

• Creating new collateral to answer questions and inform
Community Conversations

• Planning three Town Halls in 2020
• Attending upcoming community events
• Launching informal conversations about transportation efforts, including rail
• Developing several online surveys to engage and gain community input
Estimated Timeline – September 2019 through Spring 2020

10/16: XCAP Meeting #6
11/3: XCAP Meeting #7
11/7: Community Meeting
11/13: XCAP Meeting #8
12/4: XCAP Meeting #9 1/15: XCAP Meeting #12
10/30: XCAP Meeting #11
12/18: XCAP Meeting #10
2020
Business/Stakeholder Outreach (ongoing)

3/4: XCAP Meeting #15 4/15: XCAP Meeting #18
2/19: XCAP Meeting #14 4/1: XCAP Meeting #17
2/5: XCAP Meeting #13 3/18: XCAP Meeting #16

1/2: XCAP Meeting #11

Oct: Launch new website
Nov: Launch Transport digital newsletter
Dec: Jan: Begin TRN Talks
Dec: Jan: Return to Council to discuss Rail Blue Ribbon Committee

9/23: Council: Discussion of Caltrain Business Plan
9/9: Council: Makes changes to XCAP
9/16: Council reviews Finance Cmte Revenue Generating Proposals
Oct: Finance Cmte review + recommend framework for outreach + polling
Nov: Council approve contracts/funding for initial polling (round 1)

Feb: Town Hall #1
Feb: Town Hall #2
Mar: Online survey
Mar: Town Hall #3
Apr: Town Hall #3
Apr/May: Report out on outreach to Council
April/May: Polling Results #2
4/30: Deadline: XCAP sends recommendation to Council
Sometime in 2020: Begin Palo Alto Ave. Coordinated Area Plan
Fri: XCAP Meeting #10
2019
Jan: Polling results #1
Feb/Mar: Feedback on outreach
Refined polling (round 2)
Estimated Timeline – Spring 2020 through the end of construction

- **May 2020:** Council: Estimated City Council decision on grade separations
- **Consultant writing Project Study Report**
- **Nov 2020:** Begin Environmental Process
- **Spring 2024:** Begin Final Design
- **Early 2026:** Obtain Agency Permits/Approvals
- **Spring & Summer 2026:** Award and Construct project(s) depending on funding; start construction
- **Early 2025:** If necessary: Acquire any property, including permanent and temporary construction easements
- **May 2023:** Approve Agency Agreements for construction management
- **May 2023:** Certify Environmental Document; Approve Project
- **Dec 2032:** Finish Construction (depending on alternative chosen and funding)