

From: Roland Lebrun
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2020 2:16 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Cc: Caltrain Board; MTC Info; VTA Board Secretary; CHSRA Board
Subject: Item 2.32 San José Diridon Station Integrated Concept Plan.

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Council,

Thank you for allocating \$1M to this project <http://sanjose.legistar.com/gateway.aspx?M=F&ID=463b9b93-8419-409b-8862-c61f05dddc49.pdf>

The purpose of this email is to alert you to a specific aspect of "*Specifying the relationship between the station and track approaches*", specifically the Vasona line and the Union Pacific track to Cupertino in particular.

Having worked extensively on the challenges introduced by elevating the station platforms by 20 feet, I do believe that the conflicts with the Vasona line can be resolved, but the final determination of the feasibility of elevating the tracks is going to require some advanced engineering.

It is in this context that I encourage you to direct staff to issue an RFP to study this aspect of the project as a matter of urgency, along the line of this RFP (<https://www.sfcta.org/rfp-1920-07-pennsylvania-avenue-extension-study-project-initiation-report>) which was crafted to study similarly constrained issues in San Francisco.

Finally, I am happy to share our solution which includes VTA light rail grade separations at Lincoln, Auzerais, Sunol and Dupont as well as double-tracking between Race Street and the relocated Diridon light rail station.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

CC
Caltrain Board of Directors
VTA Board of Directors
MTC Commissioners
CHSRA Board of Directors

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Mon 6/22/2020 1:25 PM

Dear community of San Jose, and city govt,

I hope, with the MTC, now more involved, in the Diridon Station planning process, all Bay Area CHSR options, can now be, a more open, shared process, of good thought.

This can include, an express CHSR line, from L.A to Tracy, Or a railway, from Merced to Tracy.

Both, with an SF BART line, to Tracy. And some interesting, East Bay mass transit & public transit connections, in between.

This can also have - less housing displacement issues, between San Jose, the peninsula, and SF.

sincerely,

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