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Dear community of San Jose, and city govt.,

To consider, a few issues, of the VTA - from past decade of work, towards better openness & better accountability,

The recent concepts, of equity & reimagine, can actually be, some of the better ideals & reasoning, about our society, at this time.

I hope the VTA, will establish, some sort of, advertising ethics review board, and public process review, for any, new, large advertising, that is placed, in future of VTA Transit hubs.

I ask, we learn how to keep out, offensive advertising. And advertising, that does not work, towards the ideas, of equity, reimagine, and peace.

With this in mind, I'm interested, in the electric school bus idea, of this memo from yesterday's TE meeting, of the future of electric vehicles.

The VTA, has budgeted itself, a fleet of electric buses, and charging stations, beginning in the second half, of this decade.

And what should be, the beginning, of a transition process, to more green, sustainable choices, for the future of VTA buses.

To offer once again, over the past few months - it may be, a mostly prepared & established, electric bus program, and its charging stations, that may have to take, a budget precedence - over a more experimental, city of San Jose AV program, by the end, of this next decade.

This formula may change, in the next few years. Maybe there can be budget money available, for both programs.

But I hope these words, can help organize & prioritize your thinking, on this matter, at this time.

Sincerely,
Blair Beekman

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