

**Van Ness BRT Community Advisory Committee****Thursday, July 25, 2019, 6:00 p.m.****One South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room**MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Public comment.
  - a. Jerry Grace spoke about providing support to businesses on Van Ness during construction similar to what was done for an AC Transit BRT project.
3. Approval of minutes – [June 27](#).
  - a. Approved by voice vote.
4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding update from SFMTA staff.
  - a. Project schedule.
    - i. Kate McCarthy explained the effects of the Contract Modification approved on July 16.
  - b. Construction update.
    - i. Bob Lockhart asked about the sequence of the light pole installation.
  - c. Update on neighboring projects.
  - d. Business support.
  - e. Outreach update.
  - f. Lance Jackson introduced himself as a new member of the project management team.
5. Member comment.
  - a. Catherine Tran talked about the trash along the corridor and a recent break-in.
    - i. Kate McCarthy responded that a team is being put together to address the trash issue along the corridor. SFPD will be notified of the construction zone shift.
  - b. Bob Anderson agreed about the dirtiness of the corridor.
  - c. Alex Wilson shared the idea that a lot of people don't believe Van Ness is a neighborhood.
  - d. Erica Murdock-Waters stated that there is a hazard in front of Opera Plaza on Turk with parking in front of Peet's Coffee creating traffic issues.
6. Public Comment:
  - a. Jerry Grace asked if the city owes the construction company money now from the contract modification.
    - i. The contract modification increased the contract by \$4.8 million dollars that is covered by the project's allocated allowances and does not increase the project's budget.

- b. Sarah stated talked about the need for more audible traffic signals and people with disabilities on the CAC.
- 7. Adjourn. 6:55pm by a voice vote.