

COUNCIL AGENDA: 12-04-01 ITEM:

# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND

CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Wayne Tanda

SUBJECT: CALTRAIN MAINTENANCE

**FACILITY** 

**DATE:** 11-14-01

Approved Date

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3 & 6

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve an amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board for the Caltrain Maintenance Facility to incorporate a statement of "Shared Objectives" addressing the mitigation of community impacts.

## **BACKGROUND**

A new Caltrain Maintenance Facility is being developed in San Jose in the vicinity of Lenzen Avenue and Stockton Avenue. The purpose of the facility is to improve the efficiency of the Caltrain service by centralizing maintenance activities and to accommodate service expansion. The Caltrain system is managed by the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB).

On September 19, 2000, the City of San Jose and the JPB entered into a Cooperative Agreement concerning development of the Caltrain Maintenance Facility. The agreement requires the City and JPB to develop a statement of "Shared Objectives" governing the design and operations of the facility, in a manner that reduces impacts on surrounding neighborhoods.

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primary responsibility to implement almost all of the actions. The City and JPB would have shared responsibility for pursuing traffic calming improvements on Stockton Avenue.

It is desired that "Shared Objectives" be formally amended into the Cooperative Agreement between in the City and JPB to assure commitment and acceptance of the proposed actions. The JPB is scheduled to act on the amendment to the agreement on December 6, 2001.

The development of the facility will now move into the final design process with completion of the facility expected in early 2005. The Community Task Force will continue to work with the City and the Joint Powers Board to help guide the design and construction of the facility and ensure that the agreed upon enhancements are included. City staff will provide periodic updates on the progress of the development and construction of the maintenance facility.

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

The Caltrain Maintenance Facility Community Task Force has led extensive public outreach on this item. The Task Force participants include representatives from the neighborhood associations of Shasta/Hanchett Park, Garden Alameda, College Park, and Arena, the JPB, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, and the Offices of Mayor Gonzales, Councilmember Chavez, and Councilmember Yeager.

### **COORDINATION**

This item has been coordinated with the Office of the City Attorney.

#### **CEQA**

**Negative Declaration**