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November 21, 2024

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair and
Supervisor Candace Andersen, Vice Chair
Contra Costa Board of Supervisors' Transportation, Water, and Infrastructure Committee
County Administration Building
1025 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553

RE: Presentation of Draft Richmond Parkway Transportation Plan

Dear Supervisors Burgis and Andersen:

On behalf of the West Contra Costa Transportation Commission (WCCTC), we are pleased to share with you the *Draft Richmond Parkway Transportation Plan (RPTP)*. Working in partnership with the City of Richmond and Contra Costa County, WCCTC applied for and received a \$562,650 transportation planning grant in 2022 from Caltrans to work with the County and City of Richmond to develop a cross-jurisdictional, transportation plan for the Richmond Parkway.

Throughout its development process, the WCCTC Board received regular updates on the progress of the development of the plan and Supervisor Gioia recently received a briefing on the Draft Plan. Simultaneously, this planning effort has also utilized a Public Advisory Group (PAG) composed of representatives from community and business organizations, as well as its own Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) composed of staff from a wide range of relevant public agencies. To date, there have also been two public outreach phases to gather public comment. These have included pop-up events, community meetings, online advertising in Spanish and English, e-newsletters, and web-based surveys.

During the first week of November, the Draft RPTP, enclosed, was released (and is available on the WCCTC webpage <https://www.westcontracostatc.gov/>), and a third and final phase of public outreach began. In addition to online advertising, WCCTC staff provided the PAG, TAC, and WCCTC Board with sample text that contains information about the Draft Plan, a link to it and an online survey, which can be used in community e-newsletters and websites. Comments on the Draft RPTP may be submitted until approximately November 29, 2024.

The WCCTC Board received a presentation on the Draft RTP on October 25, 2024 and the Richmond City Council received a presentation on November 19, 2024. In the coming months, the Draft RTP will also be shared with the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Board. For the TWIC meeting, members of the project team will deliver the PowerPoint presentation attached to this letter.

In January, the Final Draft Plan will go to WCCTC, the County Board of Supervisors and the Richmond City Council for final acceptance.

Should you have any questions about the RTP, please feel free to contact me at the email address below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leah Greenblat". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Leah" and last name "Greenblat" clearly distinguishable.

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Enclosures