

To: Operations and Scheduling Committee

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SUBJECT: County Connection Upper Parking Lot Modifications

Background:

On August 2015, County Connection hired Fehr and Peers to conduct a study to modify the County Connection upper parking lot at our main offices at 2477 Arnold Industrial Way in Concord. The stated goals of the project were to install a bus stop to allow our passengers to access our facility on transit, improve sightlines for turning vehicles onto Arnold Industrial Way, and to expand parking capacity for operators, board members, and guests. Staff originally selected an option that included a second entrance to the parking with better sightlines, a large platform spanning the length of the administration building for a bus stop, and 20 additional parking spaces. The original 2015 cost estimate was about \$1.4 million with \$400,000 as a contingency for a two platform bus stop and 216 parking spaces (see Attachment 1).

Funding Limitations

The project has remained in the conceptual stage due to lack of funding. Staff has unsuccessfully pursued grant opportunities in the past to fund this project. Construction costs have significantly increased since 2015, so the original estimate is likely out of date and lower than current costs. If the project were to be pursued, a new estimate would be required. The upper parking lot was resealed in February 2018, so it is unclear whether the entire parking lot will need repaving. County Connection staff and visitors have experienced difficulty finding parking. This often occurs when the operator sick list diminishes, our contractor's experiences a spike in new hires, or employees from neighboring businesses utilize our parking. In addition, training requires operators to park a few blocks away when reporting for classes.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the O&S Committee discuss this project and next steps going forward. If pursued, a funding sources must be identified.

Financial Implications:

Currently there is no funding identified for this project.

Action Requested:

None at this time. This item is informational only.

Attachment 1: Proposed parking lot configuration

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LEGEND:

- 196 EXISTING PARKING SPACES
- 216 PROPOSED PARKING SPACES



Figure 1
Proposed Parking Lot Configuration