

To: Marketing, Planning, & Legislative Committee

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Reviewed by: AMS

SUBJECT: Adoption of Transit Corridor Study

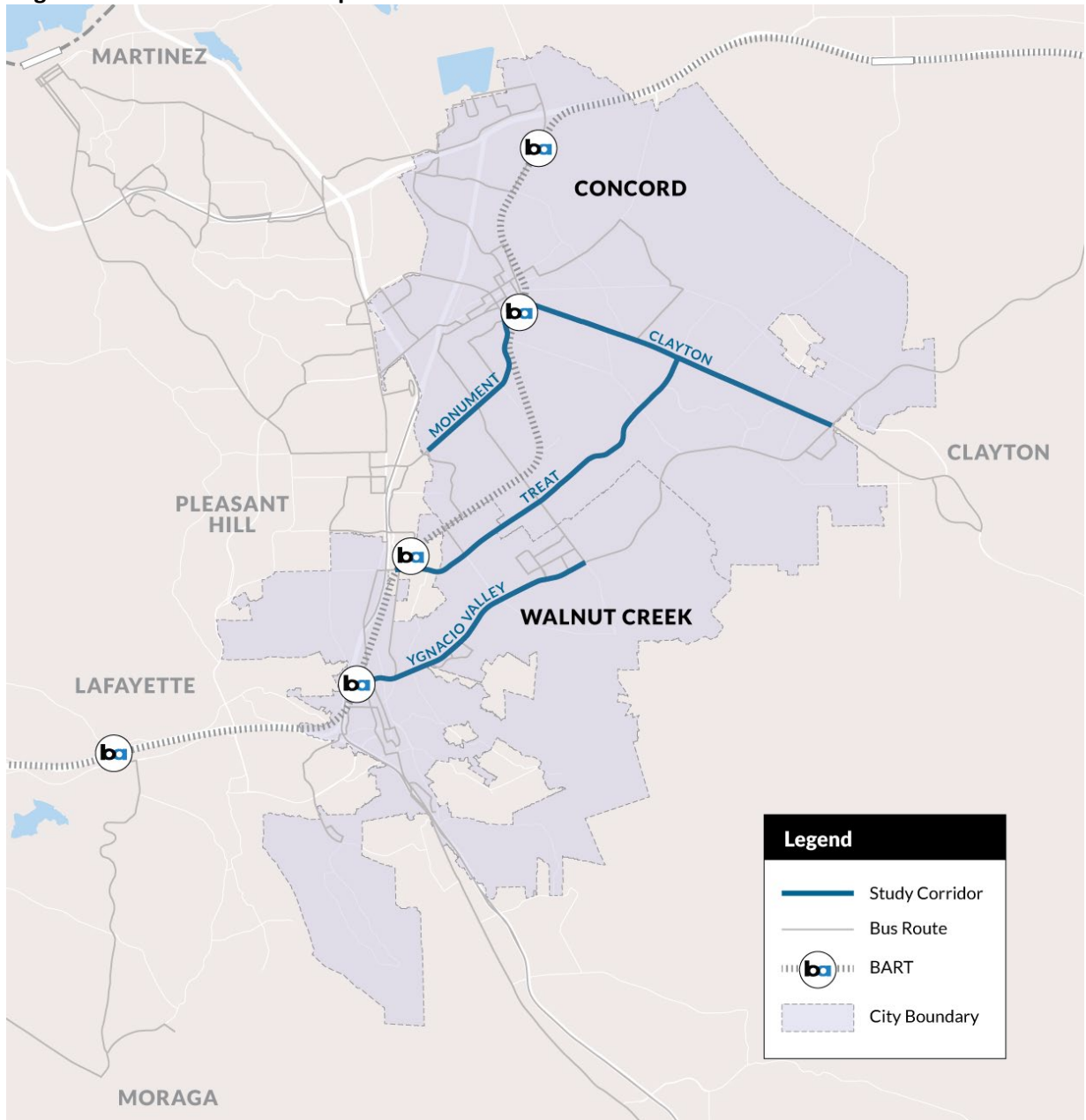
Background:

In October 2022, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) announced the FY 2022-23 Transit Performance Initiative (TPI) grant program, which funds low-cost capital investments to improve transit operations and customer experience on major corridors and systems. The program prioritizes improvements that increase bus speed and reliability, particularly on high-ridership, high-frequency routes experiencing traffic delays. County Connection submitted a successful application for a study analyzing four major corridors within its service area to identify such improvements. MTC approved the full funding request of \$400,000 on March 22, 2023, and the Board approved the use of these funds in April 2023. In October 2024, staff and County Connection's on-call planning consultants, Transportation Management & Design, Inc. (TMD), launched the Transit Corridor Study, a comprehensive analysis of four key corridors:

- **Clayton Road (Routes 10, 310):** Served by the second-highest ridership route.
- **Monument Boulevard (Routes 14, 16, 314):** High transit propensity, serving an Equity Priority Community and an SB 535 Disadvantaged Community.
- **Treat Boulevard (Routes 7, 11, 14, 15, 311):** Serves multiple schools and retail destinations.
- **Ygnacio Valley Road (Routes 1, 92X, 93X, 301):** A congested corridor with healthcare, employment, retail, and some high-density housing, offering strong potential for transit development.

All four corridors are anchored by a BART station: Concord (Clayton Road and Monument Boulevard), Pleasant Hill/Contra Costa Centre (Treat Boulevard), and Walnut Creek (Ygnacio Valley Road), as shown on map contained in Figure A on the following page.

Figure A: Transit Corridors Map



Report:

Staff presented the Draft Final Report at the January 2026 Board meeting to gather feedback and ensure that the proposed strategies aligned with improving transit speeds and efficiency along the corridors. This final version incorporates the Board’s comments and outlines a prioritized suite of improvements, such as Transit Signal Priority (TSP), queue jumps, bus stop rebalancing, and part-time designated transit lanes.

These recommendations were shaped by technical data and robust community engagement, including a bilingual survey and collaboration with a Technical Advisory Committee representing local cities and transportation authorities.

Next Steps:

Following the adoption of the final report, staff will collaborate with the consulting firm Advanced Mobility Group (AMG) to develop a comprehensive implementation plan. Funded through MTC's Innovative Deployments to Enhance Arterials (IDEA) Program, this phase will focus on detailed engineering designs for Transit Signal Priority (TSP) infrastructure, bus stop enhancements, and potential queue jump lanes identified in the final Transit Corridor Study. Additionally, the team will establish a robust funding strategy to secure the long-term resources necessary for full project realization.

Financial Implications:

None. The study is grant funded by MTC's Transit Performance Initiative grant program.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Committee forward the attached plan to the Board for final adoption.

Action Requested:

Staff requests the Committee forward the attached plan to the Board for adoption.

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Final Transit Corridor Study Report