

RESOLUTION 03-94

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING VTA'S COMMUNITY DESIGN AND TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AND ITS MANUAL OF BEST PRACTICES FOR INTEGRATING TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) has developed a Community Design and Transportation (CDT) Program and a guiding Manual of Best Practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use;

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2002, the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) adopted the CDT Program as its primary program for integrating transportation and land use, and the CDT Manual of Best practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use as the programs guiding document;

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that, to effectively meet the current and future needs of its changing communities, transit, pedestrian, and multimodal roadway facilities must play increasingly important roles in the City's total transportation system;

WHEREAS, to better meet the current and future needs of its communities, the City desires a strengthened "transportation consciousness" between VTA and the City that is reflected within the City's individual departments and actions by the Council;

WHEREAS, to optimize the City's investments in, and utility of, transportation and urban services infrastructure, mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented developments should be located in urban cores, major transportation corridors, and transit station areas;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this endorsement is to convey on behalf of the City and Council a strong spirit of support for the concepts, principles and practices conveyed in VTA's CDT Program's *Manual of Best Practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use*;

WHEREAS, the City has considered and incorporated many of the CDT Manual of Best Practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use concepts, principles and practices in Los Altos' General Plan, Specific Plans, Design Guidelines, Ordinances and similar planning documents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it shall be the policy of the City to consider the concepts, principles and practices conveyed in the CDT Manual of Best Practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use in its project development, review, and approval processes, when these concepts, principles and practices are consistent with Los Altos' General Plan, Specific Plans, Design Guidelines, Ordinances and similar planning documents;

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City will consider opportunities to provide an integrated and interconnected system of transit services, pedestrian facilities, bicycle routes, and multimodal roadways;

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City will consider opportunities for creating multimodal streets and implementing alternative street design standards and strategies, as defined in VTA's Community Design and Transportation Program;

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City will consider bus stops and transit centers as "opportunity areas" for pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure improvements;

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED, that the City recognizes the cores, major transportation corridors, and station areas as identified in the CDT Manual of Best Practices for Integrating Transportation and Land Use and by the City as key areas to implement the CDT concepts, principles and practices;

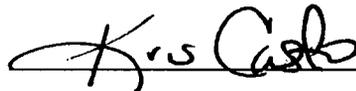
LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED, that the City recognizes the public value in identifying and preserving right-of-way for transportation facilities such as streets, transit stops and stations, transit preferential facilities, and pedestrian and bicycle facilities in its planning and programming process, as applicable, practicable and as opportunities permit;

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED, the City recognizes the need for, and benefits of, multi-jurisdictional coordination, cooperation, and participation in projects and processes that address transportation issues having cross-border or regional significance;

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED, that the City will seek opportunities for partnerships with VTA and neighboring jurisdictions to consider mutually beneficial studies and projects.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this resolution was duly introduced and adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Los Altos City Council on the 14th day of October, 2003 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	MOSS, LA POLL, BECKER, LEAR, CASTO
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE


KRIS CASTO, MAYOR


SUSAN KITCHENS, CITY CLERK