



September 9, 2018

Regional Transit Board of Directors
Henry Li, General Manager/CEO
1400 29th Street
Sacramento, CA 95816

Re: Broadway Corridor Presentation

Dear Board of Directors and Mr. Li:

The Sacramento Transit Riders Union (SacTRU) is writing to invite you to a special presentation on the upcoming redesign of the Broadway corridor that will impact public transportation along the corridor. Concerned by the continued trend of public transit last planning, we are hoping this presentation will help better incorporate public transportation into the final design.

Following the sudden and unannounced removal of bus stops along J Street as part of the City's Complete Streets initiative, we contacted City and SacRT staff to better understand what had happened. Our members lamented that several of the removed stops, below, make their transfers and access to Sutter medical facility and other businesses along J Street more difficult. Our members were also concerned that these changes and plans were not brought before the MAC for review prior to the being made.

Average daily on/offers* by bus stop on J Street:

#1719 - J/21st = 45 on, 38 off	(closed)
#New**- J/22nd = TBD	(new stop)
#1720 - J/23rd = 10 on, 17 off	(closed)
#1722 - J/27th = 7 on, 18 off	(still open)
#1723 - J/28th = 22 on, 48 off	(closed)
#1724 - J/30th = 10 on, 35 off	(closed)
#1725 - J/Alhambra = 41 on, 62 off	(still open)

*This is based on automatic passenger counter data from Q1 2018.

** J/21st and J/23rd are closed/closing to be replaced with a new stop at J/22nd.

Several of our SacTRU members attended the Broadway Project public workshop on July 18th and are concerned that similar transit last planning and poor communication with riders may happen with the Broadway project. Specifically, riders are concerned about changes that might impact the 51 bus route, which is the busiest bus route in the SacRT system and runs up and down Broadway.

In an effort to make sure that public transportation is included as a central part of the project, SacTRU invited representatives from the projects and SacRT to attend our upcoming membership meeting on **Saturday, October 13 from 1-3pm at 1714 Broadway**. We will be joined by the two Broadway projects underway: Megan Johnson, project manager for the "Complete Street" project between 3rd Street and Franklin Blvd, and Leslie Mancebo, project manager for the "Envision

Broadway” planning study from Franklin Blvd to Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. The projects have a shared vision of Broadway being a bicycle-, pedestrian- and transit-friendly corridor.

It is our understanding that both projects will be working closely with SacRT, and that SacRT staff has been very clear on the importance of Route 51 to their users. City officials heard from SacRT that the changes on J Street caught transit users by surprise, and city staff has assured us that the transit components of this project will be better communicated with riders.

We invite you to attend our special presentation on the Broadway Corridor on Saturday, October 13, 2018 and to continue to support transit first planning in projects across our region as it continues to grow. Please include this letter in the public record.

Sincerely,

SacTRU