



TA Board of Directors
Meeting of May 1, 2025

Correspondence as of April 30, 2025

Subject

1. Celebrating Our Story and Ribbon Cutting 500 County Center
2. San Mateo Daily Journal poll on 101_92 Direct Connector project
3. Public Comment on Item 12.a on 5-1-2025 Board of Directors agenda

From: [Tony Bayudan](#)
To: [Board.\(@smcta.com\)](mailto:Board.(@smcta.com))
Subject: Celebrating Our Story and Ribbon Cutting 500 County Center
Date: Monday, April 28, 2025 3:53:25 PM
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Dear Colleagues,

Just a friendly reminder to please spread the word amongst staff to join us for **Celebrating Our Story** — a one-of-a-kind evening commemorating **169 years of San Mateo County** and the dedication of one of the greenest civic buildings in the nation: **500 County Center!**

Date: Thursday, May 15, 2025

Location: San Mateo County History Museum

Address: 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA 94063

(Procession to 500 County Center to follow)

Schedule:

5:00 PM – Historic reenactments

5:30 PM – Plaque unveiling ceremony

6:00 PM – Live music, reception, and celebration

This event is a tribute to our past and a step forward into a sustainable, community-driven future — and we'd love to celebrate it with you!

RSVP by May 8 to Michael Richardson at mrichardson@smcgov.org or [\(650\) 363-4572](tel:6503634572).

Walk-ins welcome, but early replies help us plan!

Let's honor our shared history and the exciting road ahead — we hope to see you there!

Warmly,



*San Mateo County and
the San Mateo County History Museum
cordially invite you to attend*

CELEBRATING OUR STORY

*The 169th Anniversary of San Mateo County
& Dedication Ceremony for 500 County Center*

THURSDAY, MAY 15 AT 5:00 P.M.

5:00 P.M. Reenactment, 5:30 P.M. Plaque Unveiling,
& 6:00 P.M. VIP Reception.



San Mateo County History Museum

2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA 94063

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Kindly reply by May 8, 2025

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From: [Mike Swire](#)
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Subject: SMDJ poll on 101/92 Direct Connector project
Date: Tuesday, April 29, 2025 1:15:26 PM

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Dear SMCTA and C/CAG Board Members, CAC, and CMEQ,

Thank you for your willingness to revisit continuation of the 101/92 Direct Connector Project in San Mateo. I wanted to alert you to a [poll that the SMDJ](#) is currently conducting on the issue. It demonstrates broad support for public transportation and limited support for highway widening and eminent domain.

I hope that you will join the City of SM in opposing this poorly conceived project.

Sincerely,

Mike Swire
San Mateo

From: [Public Comment](#)
To: [Board \(@smcta.com\)](#)
Subject: FW: public comment on item 12.a on 5/1/2025 BoD agenda.
Date: Wednesday, April 30, 2025 1:24:08 PM

From: Bill Hough <psa188@yahoo.com>
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Good morning:

I am writing as a resident and taxpayer in Santa Clara County. Oppose SB 63 (Wiener/ Arreguin) which would establish a regional transportation revenue measure.

We don't need another regressive transportation funding measure. Our taxes are already too high.

Vote NO.

Over the last several elections, voters in Santa Clara County have passed multiple tax and fee increases including gas taxes, the Caltrain Measure RR tax, two bridge toll increases, three VTA sales taxes, Santa Clara County's Measure A 1/8 cent sales tax, the state prop 30 1/4 cent sales tax and the 2010 Measure B Vehicle Registration Fee of \$10. Additionally, we're on the hook to pay back numerous state bond issues including high-speed rail, the Proposition 1 water bond and the infrastructure bonds of 2006.

All this nickel and diming contributes into making the Bay Area a horribly expensive place to live; especially for people of modest means, who must pay the greatest percentage of their income in these regressive taxes and fees. Each increase by itself does not amount to much, but the cumulative effect is to add to the unaffordability of the region.

Before increasing taxes YET AGAIN, waste needs to be removed from transportation projects. VTA needs to "value engineer the BART to San Jose project, going with a twin bore tunnel and eliminating the redundant BART extension between the San Jose and Santa Clara Caltrain stations. The BART segment from these stations would duplicate both the existing Caltrain line and VTA's 22 and 522 buses.