

YOUTH COMMISSION

May 22, 2023
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER & ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. ROLL CALL

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVE MAY 22, 2023, AGENDA

B. APPROVE APRIL 24, 2023, MEETING MINUTES

C. APPROVE APRIL 24, 2023, ATTENDANCE RECORD

III. PUBLIC RECORD

IV. OPEN FORUM

(1 MINUTE OF SPEAKING TIME IS AVAILABLE)

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V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

**A. INFORMATIONAL:
STUDENT VOICES AND
STATEWIDE
OPPORTUNITIES (N.
PORTER)**



Student Voice & Statewide Advocacy

Naomi Porter, State Board of Education Student
Member



Overview of Today

- Background on me, my role, and the SBE
- Background on the Structure of California's Education
- Student Voice and Issues You Care About
- How to get started
- Opportunities to get involved
- Q and A

About Me

- Senior at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School
- Voting Member on the California State Board of Education and Sole Student Member
- I represent 6 million students on the State Board including all of you here today
- I have worked locally in my district serving on Advisory Committees, the School Site Council, Superintendent's Advisory Board, and the Los Angeles County Office of Education Advisory Council
- Fun Fact: I just completed my first triathlon!

What is the State Board of Education?

The 11-member State Board of Education is California's K-12 policy-making body for academic standards, curriculum, instructional materials, assessments and accountability. Each year 1 high school senior serves a full year term as a voting member.

We meet every other month for two days. To give you an example of our last meeting's agenda some things we discussed and approved are budgeting, CAASPP testing, the use of School Climate Surveys and Career and Technical Education Block Grants

What is my role?

- I prep agenda items thinking about how the issues, reading public comment, what comments or questions I have and meet with CDE (California Department of Education) staff to discuss questions about items
- I attend student advisory council sessions to help gauge student voice from around the state
- I speak at conferences and events like these around the state about student voice and pressing issues
- I help students craft and submit proposals to the SBE at the SABE Conference, inform about public comment, and opportunities to get involved

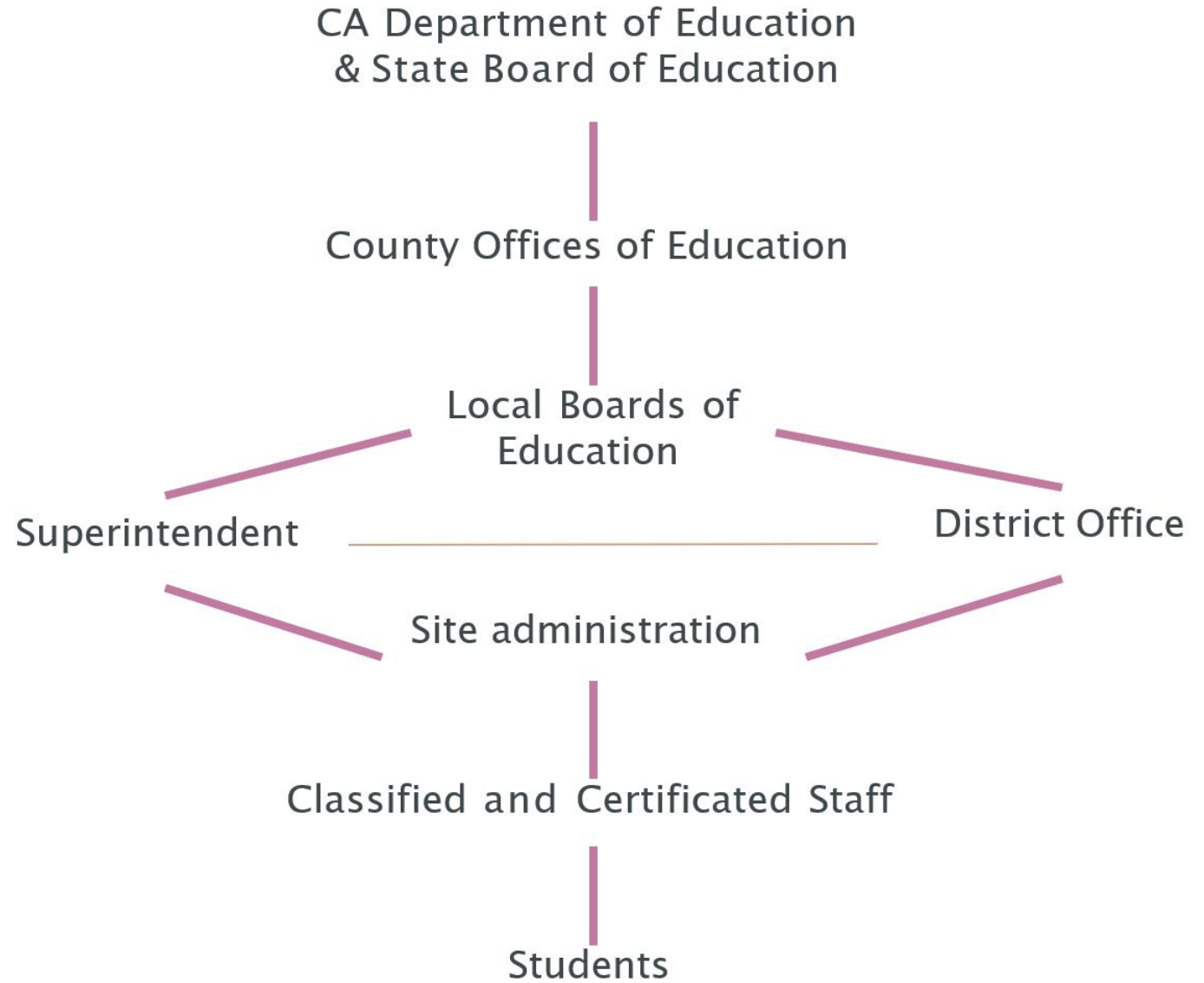
School District Structure

School isn't just a place for learning...

- School districts are **local governments!**
 - ◆ Funded by taxpayer money
 - ◆ Shaped by constituent decisions
 - ◆ Overseen by state government
 - ◆ Serve the needs of students, families, and beyond

- Students are the **primary constituents** of the education system
 - ◆ Students are impacted by educational decisions every day
 - ◆ Right and responsibility to help make our school experience the best it can be
 - ◆ With recent social movements and heightened civic awareness, more students are actively engaged

Structure Of CA Education



Important Issues

Instruction and Curriculum

School meals

Bell schedule

Arts and sports

Student opportunities

Student rights

Think about what you care about!

Getting Started...

Local AND State Levels:

- Talk to people!
 - ◆ Admin, board members, superintendent, district/school staff
 - ◆ State legislators, California Department of Education
- Explore your district's website
 - ◆ Board meeting agendas, minutes, and recordings
 - ◆ Board members and superintendent
 - ◆ LCAP plan
- Public comment
 - ◆ Check board meeting agendas!
- Student organizing
 - ◆ Talk with your friends or start a school club
 - ◆ Forums, social media posts, informational workshops
 - ◆ Sign-on letters, public comment

Opportunities (Juniors in Fall 2023)

1. Become the Student Member on the Instructional Quality Commission
 - a. Full Voting Privileges
 - b. Opens August, Due Late September
 - c. One Year Term
2. Become the Student Member to the State Board of Education
 - a. Full Voting Privileges
 - b. Opens August, Due early October
 - c. One Year Term



Thank you!

Q & A Session

I post board updates and opportunities on my Instagram
[@naomiporterpv](#)– let's connect!

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Agenda Item

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**B. INFORMATIONAL: 28TH
STREET/LITTLE PORTUGAL
FUTURE TRANSIT-ORIENTED
DEVELOPMENT (A. LOPEZ)**

28TH STREET / LITTLE PORTUGAL

FUTURE TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT (TOD)

PROJECT TEAM + CONTEXT

VTA

Transit-Oriented Developments (TOD)

Easy Access to Everyday Needs



Housing Choices for Everyone



Local Businesses and Services



Community Supporting



Safe Spaces for All People



Active Street Life



Urban Design

SITELAB



Align with Natural Watersheds - 2090

Station Area

Larger context

Five Wounds
Urban Village

VTA TOD:
28th Street/Little
Portugal BART

Little Portugal
Urban Village

Station Area

E JULIAN ST

28th ST
27th ST
26th ST
25th ST
24th ST
EST JAMES S
EST JOHN ST

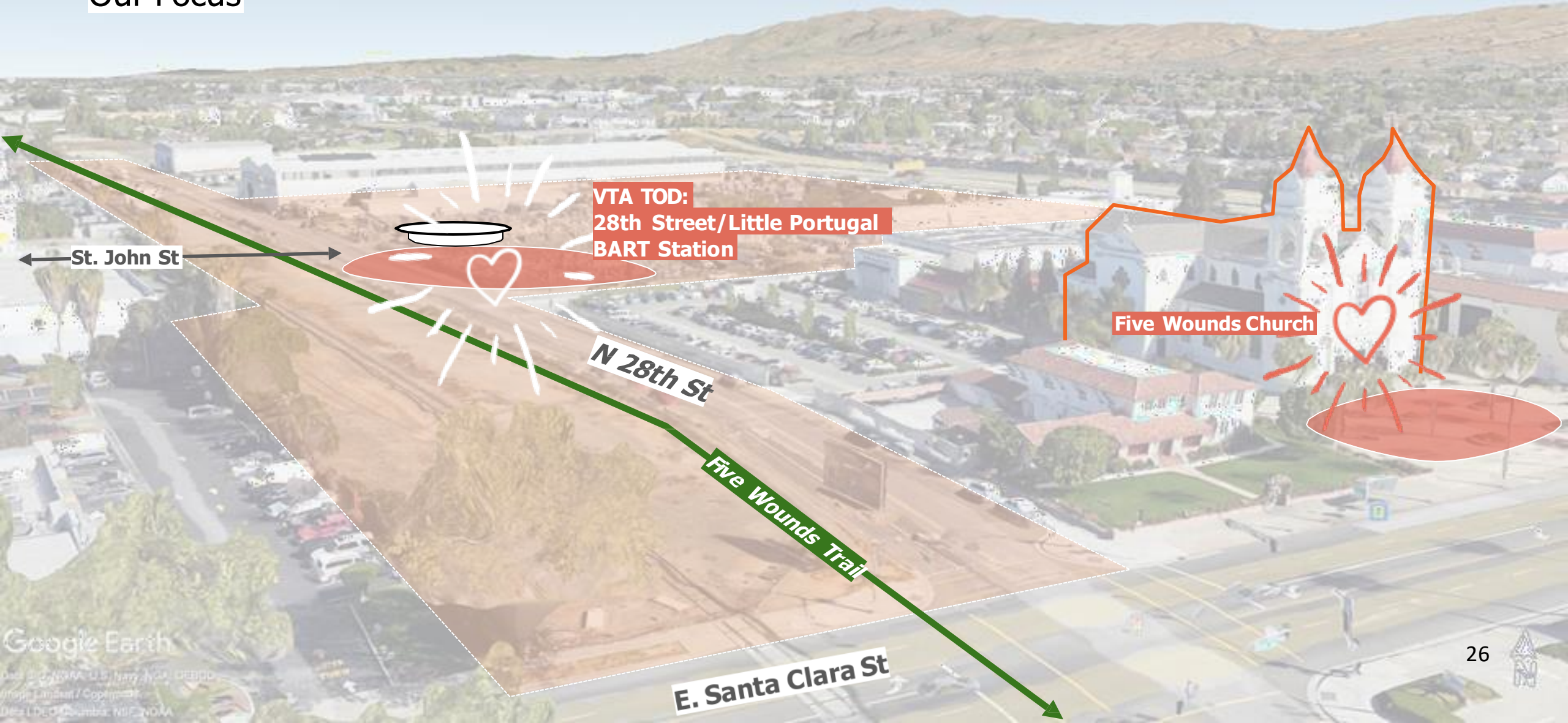
ALUM ROCK AVE

Lower Silver Creek



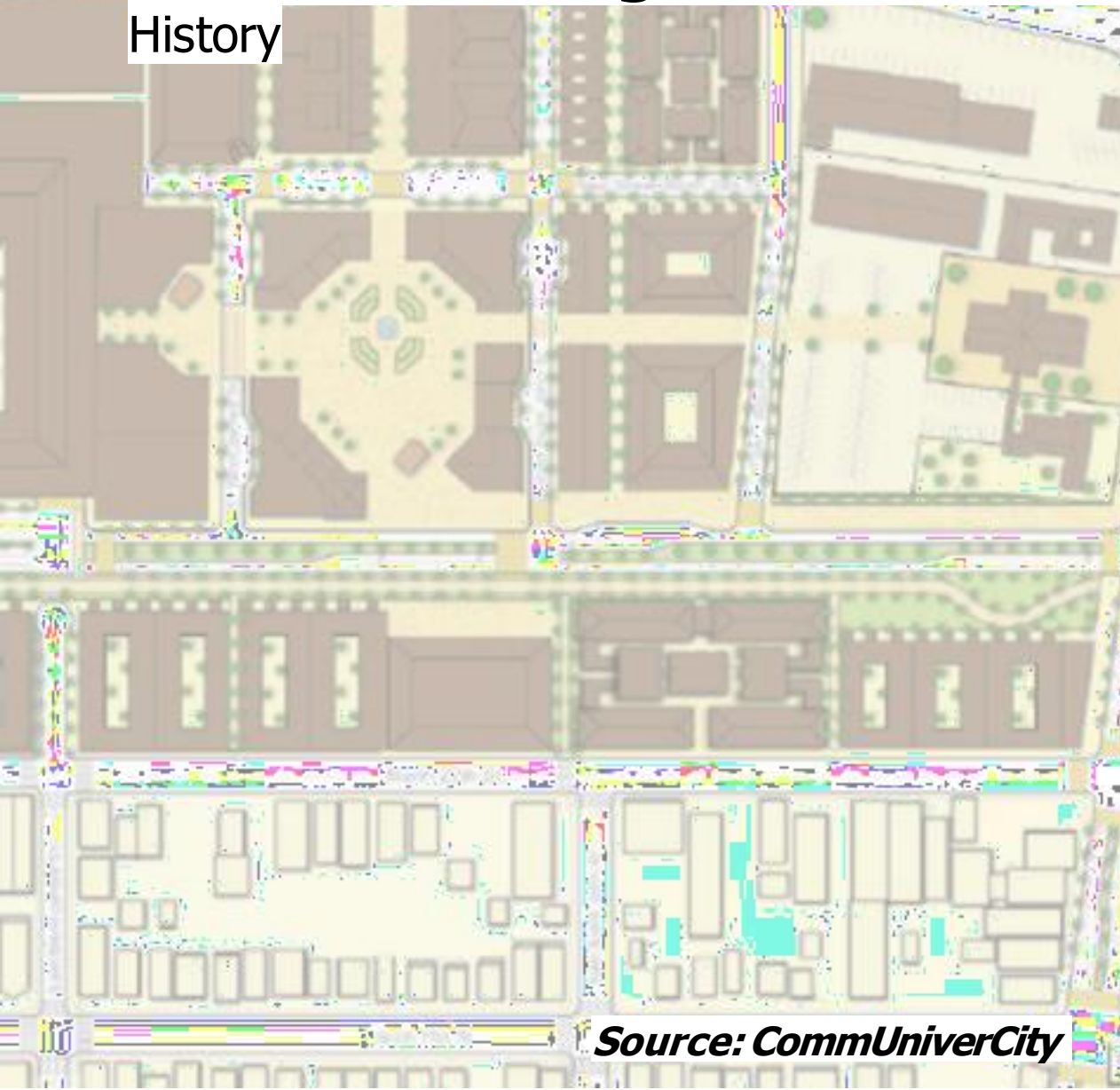
28th Street/Little Portugal Station Area TOD

Our Focus



Urban Planning in Little Portugal

History



Source: CommUniverCity



Source: TOC Playbook

Little Portugal TOD: Guide to Development



Highlight cultural identity
and address disparities



Encourage new development that
is both economically successful
and grounded in place



Make walking, biking, and
taking transit the preferred
mobility experiences

Community Engagement

Engagement Goals

- Have an in-depth conversation with stakeholders (You!)
- Add to the community voices enriching this project

Community Agreements

Make space for everyone to contribute

Seek to listen & understand

Uplift quieter voices

Respect differing viewpoints



1) What do you find **special or **unique** about the neighborhood that you want the project team to know?**

**2) Close your eyes and imagine
this area 20 years from now.**

What has **changed?**

What are you happy to see has **stayed the same?**

3) What kinds of **spaces/services are hard to access that would be helpful to have close by?**



4) What else do you think is very important for VTA to know?

Thank You!

VTA

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Stay Involved

Sign up for email updates:

www.vta.org/28LPdevelopment

Five Wounds Urban Village – City of SJ

Next workshop: September 21

www.sanjoseca.gov/FiveWoundsUVP



**Take the City's
Urban Village
update survey!**

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**C. ACTION: EXPANDING THE
YOUTH COMMISSION AND
ENHANCING YOUTH
PARTICIPATION IN THE CITY
MEMO RECOMMENDATION
(M. MALOY)**

Current

The commission shall have the following functions, powers, and duties:

- A. To foster greater involvement of youth in municipal government and civic affairs, especially in the City of San José.
- B. To study any problems, activities and concerns of youth as they relate to municipal policies, programs or projects of the city.
- C. To make such studies of any other problems, activities and concerns of youth in any field as, in the judgment of the commission, aid in effectuating its general purposes.
- D. To hold and conduct forums on such problems, activities and concerns of youth in which various governmental and nongovernmental agencies and other community organizations, fraternal and benevolent associations may be invited to participate, to the extent the commission deems such desirable.

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Draft

The purpose of the commission is to collect all information relevant to advising the City Council and Mayor on the effects of legislative policies, needs, assessments, priorities, programs, and budgets concerning the children and youth of San Jose. Before City Council takes final action on any matter that falls within the scope of the Commission's adopted workplan or the City of San Jose Children and Youth Master Plan, the City Manager's Office shall refer the matter to the Commission for comment and recommendation at least ten (10) days prior to the date of any regular commission meeting. The commission shall provide any response it deems appropriate within three (3) days after the next regular commission meeting. After the response period has elapsed, the City Council may act on the matter whether or not the Council has received a response. This referral requirement shall not apply to any matter where immediate action by the City Council is necessary to protect the public interest.

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Revised

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- A. To foster greater involvement of youth in municipal government and civic affairs, especially in the City of San José.
- B. To study, review, evaluate, advise, and submit recommendations to the city council or the city manager pertaining to any problems, opportunities, activities, and concerns of youth as they relate to municipal policies, programs, or projects of the city.

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**D. ACTION: ADOPTING THE
BILL OF RIGHTS FOR
CHILDREN AND
YOUTH (LIBRARY STAFF)**

The background image shows the San Jose City and County Administration Center, a modern building with a prominent glass dome. The dome is composed of a grid of glass panels, reflecting the sky. The building's facade is made of light-colored panels and large windows. In the foreground, there are some concrete planters and a sign that reads "200 EAST SANTA CLARA SAN JOSE CITY".

CITY AND COUNTY BILL OF RIGHTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Recommended Action

Approve a revised version of the letter to City Council that was drafted during the March 2023 Youth Commission Meeting

- The revised letter recommends that City Council adopt the Bill of Rights for Children and Young Adults for Santa Clara County (replacing language without a clear recommendation to Council)

Why This Matters

- The City's adoption of the Bill of Rights for Children and Young Adults for Santa Clara County will help build stronger pathways for collaboration among key partners in our community who have already endorsed it.
- The City's Bill of Rights was built upon an older version of the County Bill of Rights created without youth participation without the participation of youth.

Implications

- The Bill of Rights for Children and Young Adults for Santa Clara County will replace the City's Bill of Rights for Children and Youth that was updated in 2021
- There is strong alignment between the rights outlined in the County and City documents.
- In the 2023-2024 Workplan, the Youth Commission will map sub-articles of the City Bill of Rights to the County Bill of Rights and update them to create a stronger roadmap to guide the City's implementation of the Bill of Rights in years to come.

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**E. ACTION: INCREASED
HOUSING DISTANCE FROM
HIGHWAYS (COMMISSIONER
HOANG)**

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**F. ACTION: ENDING PERIOD
POVERTY
(COMMISSIONER KHAN)**

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**G. ACTION: HAZARDOUS
WASTE PICK-UP SYSTEM
(COMMISSIONER KHAN)**

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**H. ACTION: ANONYMOUS
TIPLINE (VICE CHAIR
SRIRAM)**

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**I. ACTION: SAN JOSE
CITYWIDE RESTORING
CALIFORNIA NATIVE OAKS
(COMMISSIONER
JANAPATY)**

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VI. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ONLY

A. CITY MANAGER REPORT (L. BUZO)

B. COUNCIL LIAISON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS(A. DERSH)

C. PRNS REPORT (N. GEORGOFF)

D. SAN JOSÉ LIBRARY REPORT (M. ORNAT)

E. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT (CHAIR CHEN)

F. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS PER CITY DISTRICT
2 MINUTES EACH

**E. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS PER CITY DISTRICT
(2 MINUTES EACH)**

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**E. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS PER CITY
DISTRICT
(2 MINUTES EACH)**

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VII. ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDAS

VIII. MEETING SCHEDULE AND AGENDA ITEM

THE NEXT REGULAR YOUTH
COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE IN-
PERSON ON MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023
AT 6:30 P.M.

IX. ADJOURNMENT