TODAY’S MEETING

INTRODUCTION (20 min)
- Caltrans Environmental Justice Grant
- Goal of project
- Timeline
- Working Groups (TWG, CBO)
- Who’s in the room

A WALK ALONG CESAR CHAVEZ (40 min)
- Issues, opportunities and ideas along the corridor

BREAK (5 min)

YOUR VISION FOR CESAR CHAVEZ (50 min)
- Work at tables to draft your vision

NEXT STEPS (10 min)
CESAR CHAVEZ CORRIDOR PROJECT...

...re-imagines Cesar Chavez Street as a livable, walkable and ecological place for all.

PHASE 1 - Cesar Chavez West

- started May 2008/ 4 community meetings and various focus groups
- approved by MTA board in January 2011
- fully funded and moving forward
- likely to begin construction: sewer work/summer 2011, streetscape/end of 2011
Cesar Chavez West and Cesar Chavez East
PROJECT OVERVIEW

FUNDED: Caltrans Environmental Justice: Context Sensitive Planning Grant

MISSION: A community-based concept design for the 101 interchange and the East Cesar Chavez corridor that promotes safety, comfort and accessibility to all.

OUTCOMES

- A strong community vision
- Alternative concept designs for the 101 interchange (short term, medium term, long term)
- A final streetscape and public space opportunities design for Cesar Chavez East street from Hampshire to Illinois Street.
PROJECT TIMELINE

1. DEVELOPING A VISION
   - Stakeholder Interviews (on-going)
   - Focus groups (on-going)
   - Walking Tours (December 2010)
   - FEBRUARY 10TH, 2011 : WORKSHOP 1

2. PRELIMINARY DESIGNS  April 2011

3. FINAL DESIGNS   Summer 2011

4. NEXT STEPS: Look for capital funding to build designs
community meeting
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CESAR CHAVEZ EAST PROJECT AREA (LOOKING EAST)
Cesar Chavez East project area map
2009 aerial with historic shoreline, wetlands and creeks
1869 map: hills, shoreline, wetlands and creeks
1915 map: bay fill in full swing
Plan area with historic shoreline, wetlands and creeks
A WALK ALONG EAST CESAR CHAVEZ
WHERE ARE WE GOING?

A walk along Cesar Chavez East

CESAR CHAVEZ EAST COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN
THERE AND BACK AGAIN IN 8 STOPS
A walk along Cesar Chavez East

WE ARE WALKING FROM WEST TO EAST

1. CROSSING THE 101 INTERCHANGE
2. KANSAS STREET
3. EVANS/ CONNECTICUT
4. MISSOURI STREET
5. 280/ PENNSYLVANIA
6. INDIANA STREET
7. ISLAIS CHANNEL
8. 101 NORTH RAMP
WE ARE TAKING YOU HERE TO LISTEN, LOOK, FEEL, GET INSPIRED

A walk along Cesar Chavez East
TO ENVISION A NEW STREET FOR ALL

Cameron Kelly, Vista Seating, 2009, hand-sewn custom cushions, mixed media. (Photo: Carrie Galles)
CROSSING THE 101 FREEWAY INTERCHANGE
1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
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“FAST TRAFFIC COMING AROUND CURVES FEELS VERY SCARY: I DON’T TRUST THEY WILL STOP.”

walking tour participant

1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
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THERE IS POTENTIAL

1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
“WHY IS WALKWAY FENCED-OFF? IT COULD BE A USEFUL OPEN SPACE.”

walking tour participant

1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
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“CROSSING VERY UNFRIENDLY.”

“CARS ARE COMING REALLY FAST OFF THE OFF-RAMP”
1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
"NO SPACE FOR BIKES"

1. Crossing the Highway 101 interchange
Evolution of the Highway 101 interchange

1948 Aerial
Before Highway 101, the intersection of Potrero, Bayshore and Cesar Chavez was relatively simple.

1964 Aerial
Highway 101 is built. A large traffic circle connects the highway and area streets, but pedestrians are accommodated.

2009 Aerial
Highway 101 is wider, ramps connect it directly to area streets: the present-day “Hairball”.

Evolution of the Highway 101 interchange
Area bicycle routes

CESAR CHAVEZ EAST COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN
Approved bicycle lanes coming Spring 2011
Cesar Chavez East is...
2. Near Kansas Street
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Land Use along Cesar Chavez East and vicinity

LEGEND:
- SCHOOLS
- PARKS
- HOSPITAL

MOSTLY RESIDENTIAL

MOSTLY INDUSTRIAL
Employment along Cesar Chavez East and vicinity
3 EVANS/CONNECTICUT STREETS
3. Near Evans and Connecticut Streets
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"...THE MOST UNCOMFORTABLE STRETCH: NARROW SIDEWALK, FAST TRAFFIC..." walking tour participant
3. Near Evans and Connecticut Streets
WHERE IS THE 19 BUS STOP?

3. Near Evans and Connecticut Streets
Transit context: MUNI lines
Transit context: system overview
4. Near Missouri Street
4. Near Missouri Street

“A SLALOM OF POLES AND FIRE HYDRANTS”

walking tour participant
4. Near Missouri Street
4. Near Missouri Street
4. Near Missouri Street

“SIDEWALK?” walking tour participant
4. Near Missouri Street

SPACE AT LAST
Land in public ownership
5

I-280

PENNSYLVANIA STREET
"THERE IS NOTHING TO SUGGEST HOW CLOSE ONE IS TO THE WATER"

walking tour participant

5. Near I-280 and Pennsylvania Street
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“EXTREMELY NOISY”

walking tour participant
5. Near I-280 and Pennsylvania Street
Designated truck traffic routes
6 INDIANA STREET
6. Near Indiana Street
6. Near Indiana Street

CESAR CHAVEZ EAST COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN
6. Near Indiana Street
Food options along Cesar Chavez East
6. Near Indiana Street

FUTURE MUNI FACILITY HERE
6. Near Indiana Street

CESAR CHAVEZ EAST COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN
7 ISLAIS CHANNEL
7. Islais Channel, the waterfront and the Blue Greenway
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8. Back to Highway 101

“HEADACHE BY END OF WALK”

walking tour participant
8. Back to Highway 101

“FAST TRAFFIC. VERY DANGEROUS FOR CROSSING. ALMOST HIT”

walking tour participant
8. Back to Highway 101
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“WHY CAN’T PEDS SHARE THE BIKE BRIDGE?”

walking tour participant
HISTORY, NATURAL AND CULTURAL, IS AN ASSET
(Photos: Bonnie Ora Sherk)
“The Farm”, 1974-1986 (Photo: Bonnie Ora Sherk)
LET'S GET TO WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE A VISION FOR EAST CESAR CHAVEZ