

2-4-10 Transportation Commission meeting
Item 2, Attachment 1

Motion from 12-9-09 Planning Commission meeting
BRT Locally Preferred Alternative

The Commission provided direction for a revised LPA route with a few variants for analysis in the FEIR/S and identified other concerns for AC Transit to analyze.

- 1) Request that the Transportation Commission and Planning Commission be consulted in early 2010 to provide input on the BRT alignment decisions before the LPA is finalized, with additional information as requested below.
- 2) Develop a matrix to demonstrate the trade-offs involved in the various LPA decisions. This matrix should represent a synthesis of (a) the criteria listed in the Transportation Commission's "Process and Criteria for Selection of a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for Bus Rapid Transit in Berkeley" (page 3 of their recommendation) and (b) on page 2-2 of the draft LPA document.
- 3) Recommends further study by AC Transit of an LPA that includes (for FEIS/R):
 - a. Two-way traffic on Bancroft and Durant, with bus lanes on Bancroft.
 - Variant: keep Bancroft and Durant one-way with dedicated bus lanes on each street (i.e. the Staff LPA version).
 - b. Center-running bus lanes downtown on Shattuck.
 - c. Two-way traffic on Telegraph.
 - Variant: a dedicated lane on Dana between Bancroft and Dwight, instead of Telegraph (the "Dana couplet").
 - d. Consider increasing pedestrian sidewalk space at Telegraph/Bancroft.
 - e. Add a BRT stop at Bancroft and Ellsworth to the LPA.
- 4) Encourages AC Transit to conduct a robust study of both a No-Build Alternative and the most up-to-date (at the time of FEIR preparation) Rapid Bus Plus option in the final FEIS/R. (for FEIS/R)
- 5) Explicitly leave open the option to one day possibly extend BRT along Shattuck to Rose and down University Avenue. (for FEIS/R)
- 6) Encourage AC Transit to expand upon the discussion on pages 3-10 and 3-11 of the City's draft LPA document. This should include a detailed discussion of operational funding AC Transit anticipates will be available to operate BRT; what effect, if any, using this money for BRT will have on operation of other AC Transit routes; and if any

guarantees can be made to the City of Berkeley regarding minimum service levels. (for FEIS/R)

- 7) Ask AC Transit to analyze the impact of the loss of each local stop in Berkeley on the disabled community. (for FEIS/R)
- 8) Ask AC Transit to analyze options for rerouting traffic around Telegraph north of Dwight to allow for periodic street closures due to street fairs in order to identify an alignment that allows easier re-routing for these events.