Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit Project Update
Presentation to SFMTA Board of Directors

10 | 18 | 2011 | SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
Overview

• Background of Bus Rapid Transit in San Francisco
• Federal & Regional Funding Priorities
• Current BRT Projects:
  – Van Ness
  – Geary
• Future BRT Projects
Background of Bus Rapid Transit Projects

• Regional Transportation Plans & Priorities
  – 1989 Four Corridors Study
  – 1995 Geary Systems Planning Study
  – 2002 Vision for Rapid Transit
  – 2008 TEP Muni Rapid/BRT Corridors
    • Van Ness/Mission
    • Geary
    • Geneva / Harney Way
    • Potrero

• Federal & Regional Funding Priorities
  – 1989 Prop. B identified Four Corridors – 3rd Street first priority
  – 2003 Prop K identified Van Ness, Geary & Potrero BRT corridors
  – 2006 Regional Transportation Expansion Policy- Van Ness
  – 2008 Federal Transit Administration Van Ness Small Starts Recipient
Proposed Rapid/BRT Network

- Muni Rapid
- BRT
- LRT Lines

- Van Ness BRT
- Geary BRT
- Mission Rapid
- Geneva BRT
Van Ness BRT Project
Van Ness BRT Project

• **Scope**
  – Develop Bus Rapid Transit System for 2.2 miles on Van Ness Ave
    • Improve Transit Travel Time & Reliability
    • Improve Pedestrian Safety and Streetscape
    • Improve multi-modal transportation system
  – Memorandum of Agreement
    • SFCTA & SFMTA to jointly plan and design project.
    • SFMTA to construct & operate.
Van Ness BRT Project

• Schedule
  – Milestone Dates
    • Feasibility Study (complete)               Nov. 2006
    • FTA “Small Starts” acceptance (complete) Dec. 2007
    • Locally Preferred Alternative Selection March 2012
    • Project Final EIR/EIS                      Sept. 2012
    • Project construction                       2014-2016
    • Project Opening                            Late 2016
Van Ness BRT Project

Cost Estimate

• BRT Project $ 96 m - $139 m
• BRT Vehicles (BRT “increment”) $ 29 m
• Repave Van Ness Avenue $ 14 m

Sub - Total $ 139 m - $183 m

• Parallel Projects
  – Poles / Streetlights $ 36 m
  – Signal System (SFgo) (Van Ness) $ 20 m

Sub-Total $ 56 m

Funding Estimate

• Federal (5309 Small Starts) $ 75 m
• State (repave road) SHOPP funds $ 14 m
• Local (Prop. K sales tax) $ 20 m
• FTA Fixed Guideway Funds $ 30 m
• SFgo (MTC Climate Action Funds) $ 20 m

Sub-Total $ 159 m
Van Ness BRT Project

• Alternative 1 (No Project Baseline)
Van Ness BRT Project

- Alternative 2 – Side Lanes BRT with Curb Boarding
Van Ness BRT Project

- Alternative 3 – Center Lanes BRT with Right side boarding
Van Ness BRT Project

- Alternative 4: Center Lanes BRT with left side boarding
Van Ness BRT Project

- Key Issues:
  - Operational Characteristics
  - Vehicles
  - Stations / Infrastructure
  - Transportation Circulation
  - Funding
Van Ness DEIS / DEIR Next Steps

- Public outreach  Oct. 2011
- Public hearing  Nov. 9, 2011
- Public webinar  Nov. 16, 2011
- Local Preferred Alternative (LPA) selection  March 2012
- Commence 30% Design  March 2012