Korematsu Middle School/ Castro Park Community Meeting

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2015
6:30 – 8:00 PM
CITY HALL, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- School Updates
  - School Overview
  - School Parking and Drop-Off/Pick-up Zones
  - Campus Safety and Access
  - Castro Park Joint Use
- City Traffic, Pedestrian, and Bicycle Improvements
- AC Transit Bus Routing
- Questions and Comments
- Next Steps and Closing Comments

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School Updates
Bronze Award:
Library/Media Center

School Designer Design Awards
Believe it, Achieve It!

- Korematsu Middle School models a safe, inclusive, student-centered community that actively supports high levels of academic and social success. All members of our community build respectful relationships to collaborate and ensure that all students become responsible, confident and enthusiastic learners who fulfill their individual potential.
Who are we at Korematsu?
Asian, 21%
African American, 21%
White, 28%
Hispanic, 28%
Other/Unspecified, 2%
GATE Students

- 7th: 92
- 8th: 80
Transition from Interim Campus to New Campus

- Volunteer Programs
- Distribution of Information
  - Robo-calls
  - Transition meetings during homerooms
  - Weekly e-tree
Main Point of Contact

Matthew Burnham, Principal
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mburnham@wccusd.net
BUILDING A ORIGINAL CLASSROOM BUILDING
BUILDING C
NEW CLASSROOMS

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BUILDING D
NEW MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING

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Primary Construction Activities

End of November

- Systems startup and Commissioning
  - End of December

Move-in
  - March
• On-site parking for 46 cars
• Currently 56 school staff
• Special event parking accommodated in on-site parking lots. Overflow will be at the front of the school on Donal or other locations in the neighborhood.
Students will:
- Arrive by bicycle
- Arrive by bus (AC Transit)
- Arrive via car

• Multiple vehicular drop-off points should limit traffic on any single street.
AC TRANSIT PICK UP AND DROP OFF

- Typically 3 buses
CAMPUS SAFETY & ACCESS TO SCHOOL AMENITIES

- 6’-8’ HIGH CL FENCE
- ORNAMENTAL FENCE / GATE
- 4’ HIGH CL FENCE
- VEHICLE GATE
- PEDESTRIAN GATE

To be used only by students accessing / exiting the park

Public entry to school amenities after school hours and on weekends

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On-site Campus Safety Resources

- 2 Campus Security Officers (CSO)
- 1 Safety Resource Officer (SRO)
- District Coordinator of Disaster Preparedness and Safety, Elizabeth Montes Nation
ANTICIPATED PARK JOINT USE

- PE Activities
- Schedule
- Interactions between school and community
- After-school program
- District-City Agreement signed on October 21, 2013
- MOU for school use and the after school program

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Traffic, Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

Yvetteh Ortiz,
City Public Works Director
Traffic, Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

- Traffic control plan
  - Standard school-related pavement markings & signs
  - Coordinate implementation with School District
Traffic, Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

- **Active Transportation Plan**
  - Citywide pedestrian and bicycle improvements (City Council Consideration on 10/6/15)
  - Encourage use of transit, walking and biking
  - Focus Project - East Side Bicycle Boulevard
  - Seek grant funding
AC Transit Bus Routing

SEAN DIEST LORGION,
AC TRANSIT SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER
Introduction to Bus Routing

- AC Transit provides additional trips in order to meet the demand for increase system capacity
- Service is scheduled to meet bell schedule
- Adjusted for minimum days/early release
- Fares are collected
- Open to the public
AC Transit operates three routes that are scheduled to meet Korematsu MS Bell Schedule

- Line 667: Market St. & 6th St., North Richmond to El Cerrito High School and Portola Middle School via Market St., Fred Jackson Way, 7th St., Macdonald Ave. and San Pablo Ave.
- Line 668: Richmond BART to El Cerrito High School and Portola Middle School via Harbour Way, Cutting Blvd. and San Pablo Ave.
- Line 675: Richmond BART to Portola Middle School and El Cerrito High School via Harbour Way, Cutting Blvd., Potrero Ave., 47th St., Carlson Blvd. and Fairmount Ave.
How do they serve Korematsu today?

- Buses make a clockwise loop around the school in order to stop along the north side of Moeser Ln.

- Keeps students from having to cross the street to get to/from buses
Proposed Service Change:
How would buses get to/from Korematsu?

- **AM In-Service**: Via regular route to Ashbury Avenue, R\ Moeser Ln., L\ Navellier St, L\ Schmidt Ln., R\ Scott St., L\ Donal Ave

- **A.M. Deadhead to yard/other routes**: Via Donal Ave, L\ Richmond St., R\ Schmidt Ln., to San Pablo Ave.
Proposed Service Change:
How would buses get to/from Korematsu?

- **P.M. Deadhead from yard/other routes:** Via Moeser Ln., L\Richmond St., R\Schmidt Ln., L\ Scott St., L\ Donal Ave

- **PM In-Service:** Via Donal Avenue, L\ Richmond St., L\ Schmidt Ln., R\ Navellier St, R Moeser Ln to regular route.
Yes. Parking will need to be restricted at select locations to allow buses to make various turns through the neighborhood.

AC Transit will work with City of El Cerrito to identify required modifications to parking and/or striping.
What is the process for changing service?

- The proposal includes operating buses on new streets: Donal Av., segment of Schmidt Ln.

- This is considered a **Major Adjustment to Transit Service**.

- Requires a public hearing.
What is the process for changing service?

1. Staff requests AC Transit Board to set date for public hearing
2. Public Hearing notices prepared/published
3. Conduct CEQA/Title VI Analysis
4. Collect public comment
5. Conduct public hearing
6. Board may decide after close of Public Hearing or at a subsequent meeting
7. If approved, changes are incorporated into scheduling system
8. Changes made in field
9. Service becomes operational
Service Change Timeline

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- Prepare Staff Report
- Set Public Hearing
- Hold Public Hearing
- Board Decision
- Start of Service

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Next Steps for Service Change

• Explore alternative timelines/temporary solutions for service in March

• Hold another community meeting to discuss this matter

• Start process to change service on a permanent basis
Questions and Concerns?
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