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Hi SB 125,

Could these be added for Public Comment: SB 125 Transit Program #10.

- 1. Bus use during an emergency.
  - a. During the CZU fire, the Santa Cruz Metro was invaluable in getting people off the mountain in the San Lorenzo Valley from 6pm to 6am.
  - b. Also, ensure proper availability of electric generators for all electric transportation services in emergencies.
- 2. Subscription Service pricing to integrate all services (bus, bike/scooter share, light rail, bike locker, etc).
- 3. Braille bus stop signage funding.
- 4. The UnMet transit needs are used as a valuable both short-term & long-term funding goal. How else does a local gather needs across several different local transit agencies?
- 5. Add Funding for a local transit digital simulation to better visualize & plan transit needs (like in Los Angeles by Bingqing Liu Postdoctoral Scholar at UCLA).
- 6. Better Bus Island design for the visually impaired.
  - a. i.e. Online route maps: Have island bus stops noted with an i (Bus Stop 1875i).
- 7. Better connect Santa Cruz County to the Bay Area transportation services.
  - a. i.e. Santa Cruz to Los Gatos bus stops.
  - b. i.e. VTA light rail to Los Gatos access.
  - c. i.e. Santa Cruz to SJC.
- 8. Can aggregated fares be added based on the user's trip starting point distance and from stops? Cheaper fares the further from the fixed route bus stop a user is (example: 15-minute walk = full fare vs ½ hour walk = free fare via Geofencing). This may justify adding/removing fixed routes. This may be a heavy lift when calculating the user's starting point.
- 9. Add paratransit grocery pick-up/delivery for seniors who live a mile from a bus stop.
  - a. Example: A senior orders groceries from the store & paratransit picks up & delivers.

Thank you

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