

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The Board of Public Works as well as the City Council have both requested regular updates and reporting on the progress of the STAP program implementation. There is an oral report on STAP scheduled at the June 21st Public Works meeting. It is insufficient to have the progress reports given orally. I have therefore submitted to the Board of Public Works the following written comment in advance of their June 21st meeting: Submitted on Board of Public Works online comment form: Commenting on Items 0 (public comment) and 10 (oral report on STAP). It is impossible for the public to submit a public comment when an agenda item is an oral report. The Board of Public Works (as well as the Council) have requested regular updates on the STAP program. Those updates and all reports should be made in writing and made available in advance to the public with the agenda packets so that public comment may be submitted in advance and/or made during oral public comment. Without advance information it is impossible for the public to participate in a meaningful manner. That defies the intent of the Brown Act. Further, there is no accountability for the information that is transmitted when given orally. Progress reports and projections as to future activity must be placed in writing to allow for accountability. The STAP timeline is clearly no longer valid and estimates as to upcoming progress have been missed. Where are the designs of the shade structures, the final shelter component options, etc.? They were a couple of weeks away quite some time ago. How are ads continuing to be posted on shelters presented to the community (AND to the Public Works Board) as those to be used without ads? What grants have been submitted for STAP funding, what is the timeline for responses and/or result of requests? What is the current status of funding -- funds secured? What will those funds buy? Why was the total number of shelters proposed in the YEAR ONE rollout in cool CD 5 far in excess of those to be installed in the hot San Fernando Valley areas when the promise was made to have this new program focus on those areas of greatest exposure to heat and sun? What is the current secured funding for the public toilet program and what is the maintenance plan for the units? Experience to date? My comments are general in nature and cannot be classified as for or against. The comment form does not allow for general comment

and question submission. Our Westside Neighborhood Council has submitted a CIS on STAP, and I personally have testified in the past opposing adoption of the program as adopted as an unfunded program with increasing costs based upon unsound assumptions and consisting of less than ambitious goals (with key elements now omitted from the program entirely) leaving the City's transit riders unprotected for years to bake in the sun.