Complete Streets Commission



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: 11/14/2018
Time: 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
701 Laurel St. Menlo Park (

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A. Call to Order

Vice Chair Behroozi called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Behroozi, Lee, Mazzara, Nash, Walser, Weiner

Absent: Kirsch, Levin, Meyer

Staff: Assistant Engineer Rich Angulo, Associate Transportation Engineer Kevin Chen

C. Reports and Announcements

Staff Chen announced upcoming City events and a summary of City Council actions on transportation related items since the November 14, 2018, Complete Streets Commission meeting.

D. Public Comment

- Cecilia Taylor sought clarification for the Measure K staff liaison and invited the Complete Streets Commission for a walk-through the Belle Haven neighborhood during morning commute hours.
- Mary Jo McCarthy spoke in opposition of the newly installed bollards located on the east side of Olive Street immediately south of Santa Cruz Avenue and cited bicycle safety concerns.

E. Regular Business

E1. Approve the Complete Streets Commission regular meeting minutes of October 10, 2018 (Attachment)

ACTION: Motion and second (Lee/Nash) to approve the Complete Streets Commission regular meeting minutes of October 10, 2018, passed (5-0-1-3, Walser abstained, Kirsch, Levin and Meyer absent).

E2. Approve the installation of red curb and removal of three parallel on-street parallel parking spaces on Chrysler Drive just south of Constitution Drive (Staff Report #18-012-CSC)

Staff Angulo provided a presentation (Attachment).

ACTION: Motion and second (Mazzara/Walser) to approve the installation of red curb and removal of three parallel on-street parallel parking spaces on Chrysler Drive just south of Constitution Drive, passed (6-0-3; Kirsch, Levin and Meyer absent).

E3. Recommend a strategy to City Council to reinforce no parking on Santa Cruz Avenue bike lanes between Johnson Street and Arbor Road

Staff Chen provided a presentation (Attachment).

ACTION: Motion and second (Lee/Weiner) to recommend to City Council to install red curb and "No Stopping" sign on existing posts, if available, on the north side of Santa Cruz Avenue between Johnson Street and Arbor Road, passes (6-0-3; Kirsch, Levin and Meyer absent).

The Commission requested investigating the use of lower height profile bollards (e.g., armadillo bumps) or smaller street sweeping vehicles to provide physically separated/buffered bike lanes.

E4. Discuss and recommend to City Council potential Middle Avenue bike lane improvements from the Active Transportation Network Subcommittee

Commissioner Weiner provided a presentation (Attachment).

ACTION: Motion and second (Nash/Walser) to recommend the proposed Middle Avenue bike lane improvements to the City Council, passes (6-0-3, Kirsch, Levin and Meyer absent).

F. Informational Items

F1. Assess Complete Streets Commission Pilot Program

Vice Chair Behroozi led the discussion and the Commission provided feedback to make a recommendation at the upcoming December 2018 Complete Streets Commission meeting.

F2. Update on major project status

Staff Chen provided updates on the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program project, Belle Haven Neighborhood Traffic Calming Plan, Safe Routes to School Program, Transportation Master Plan, and Ravenswood Avenue Railroad Crossing Project.

G. Committee/Subcommitte Reports

G1. Update from Active Transportation Network Subcommittee

There was no report in addition to Item E4.

G2. Update from Electric Vehicle Subcommittee

None.

G3. Update from Downtown Access and Parking Subcommittee

None.

G4. Update from Multimodal Subcommittee

None.

G5. Update from Placemaking and Outreach Subcommittee

None.

G6. Update from Safe Routes to School Program Subcommittee

Commissioners Mazzara and Lee reported on a Safe Routes to School Program Stakeholder Meeting that occurred on November 13, 2018.

G7. Update from Transportation Master Plan Subcommittee

Commissioner Behroozi reported on recent discussions with the San Mateo County on bicycle improvements along Altschul Avenue.

H. Adjournment

Vice Chair Behroozi adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

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INSTALLATION OF RED CURB AND PARKING REMOVAL ON CHRYSLER DRIVE

Complete Streets Commission Meeting: November 14, 2018





BACKGROUND



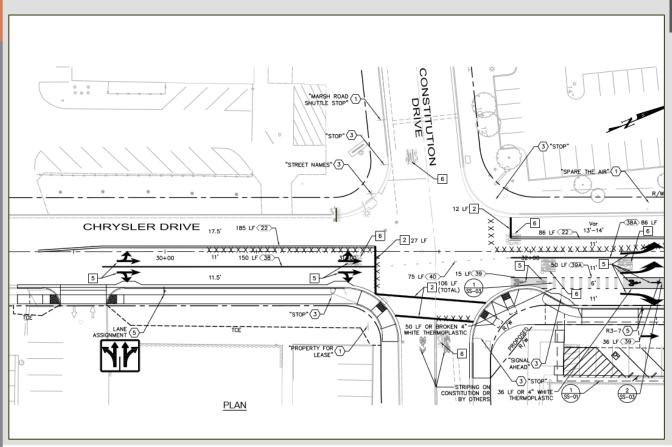








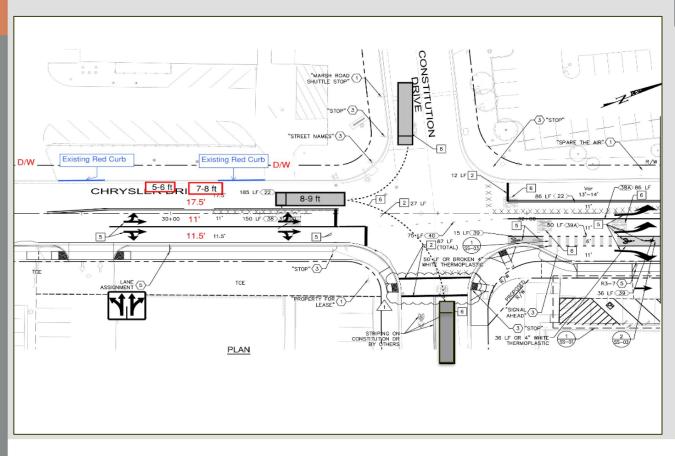






ANALYSIS













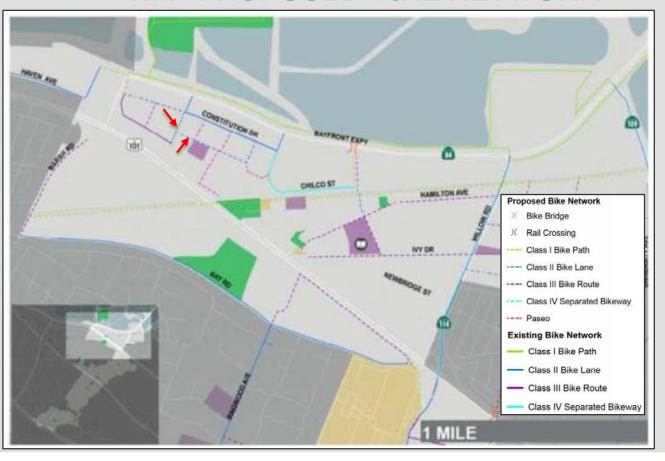






TMP-PROPOSED BIKE NETWORK



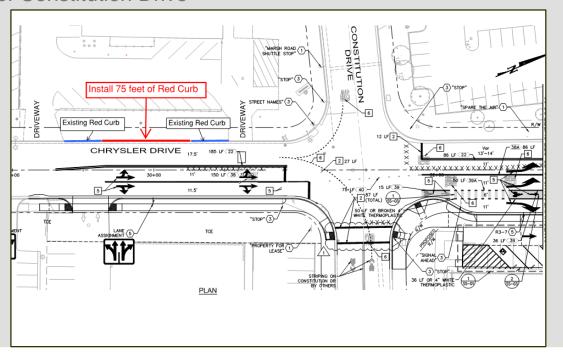




RECOMMENDATION



 Adopt a resolution to install red curb and removal of three parallel on-street parking spaces on the north side of Chrysler Drive just west of Constitution Drive

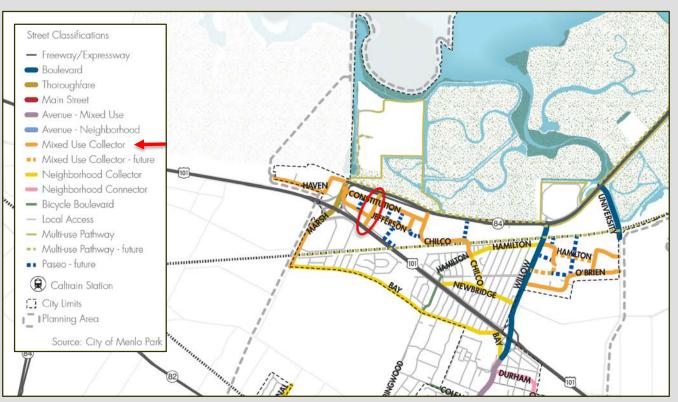






GENERAL PLAN







STREET CLASSIFICATION



TABLE 1 DESCRIPTION OF STREET CLASSIFICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Classification	Mode Priority	Description and Guidelines	Examples	FHWA Category
Avenue – Neighborhood	Bicycle: Pedestrian: Transit: Vehicle:	Streets with residential frontages that serve as a main route for multiple modes. Distributes trips to residential areas. Provides a balanced level of service for vehicles, transit, bicycles, and pedestrians, wherever possible. Bicycle priority is greater along identified bicycle corridors. Pedestrian improvements are comfortable to walk along, and provide safe crossings at designated locations.	Santa Cruz Avenue (south of University Drive), Valparaiso Avenue	Minor Arterial
Mixed-Use Collector	Bicycle: Pedestrian: Transit: Vehicle:	Mixed-use street that serves a significant destination. Prioritizes walking and bicycling. Accommodates intra-city trips while also distributing local traffic to other streets and areas.	Chilco St (north of rail corridor), O'Brien Drive, Haven Avenue	Collector
Neighborhood Collector	Bicycle: Pedestrian: Transit: Vehicle:	Primarily residential street that serves a significant destination. Prioritizes walking and bicycling. Accommodates intra-city trips while also distributing local traffic to other streets and areas. Accommodating vehicle traffic while ensuring a high quality of life for residents is a key design challenge.	Bay Road, Laurel Street, Hamilton Avenue	Collector











SANTA CRUZ AVE SIDEWALK PROJECT HISTORY



- September 2016 Construction contract awarded
- August 2017 Construction completed, except one task
- Remaining Task
 - Installation of signs, including no stopping signs
 - \$7.5k for sign installation, 10 year life cycle
 - \$12k \$15k for red curb installation, 1-2 year life cycle
- September 2018 City Council directed staff to work with SCA residents for preferred option



SANTA CRUZ AVE – PHASE 1 B/T JOHNSON ST AND ARBOR RD







SANTA CRUZ AVE – PHASE 1 IMPLEMENTATION OPTIONS AND COSTS





- ~ \$1k for installation of 3 signs, 10 year life cycle
- \$1.5k \$2k for installation of 600' red curb, 1-2 year life cycle





NEXT STEPS

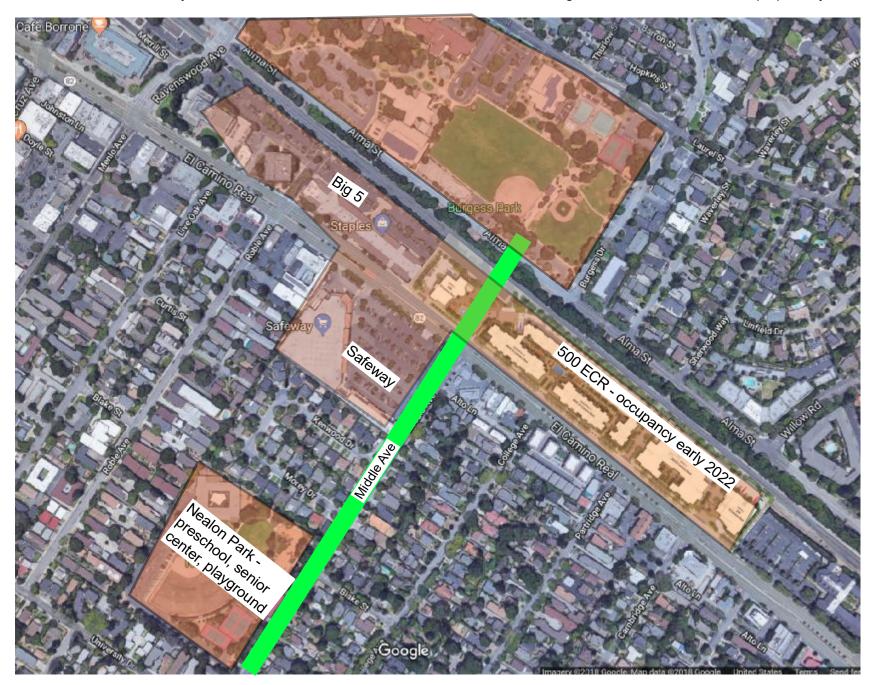
Receive feeback from Complete Streets Commission

Solicit feedback from impacted residents

Provide recommend to City Council

Implementation

Middle Ave University to ECR connects the busiest areas in Menlo Park which generate thousands of car trips per day.



Middle Ave has no bike infrastructure. Walking and biking conditions around Nealon Park are unsafe and undignified. Safeway has limited bike accessibility.





Nealon crosswalk at Blake requires walking through gutte

Widened sidewalk fronting Safeway on Middle becomes mixed use path across ECR to Middle Plaza, Big 5 and tunnel.



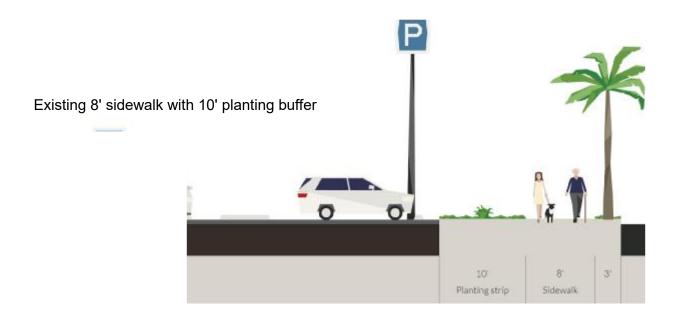


Detail view of Safeway separated sidewalk and bike lanes.

Separate Safeway bike entrance with bike parking.

Car entrance will require enhancements to increase visibility in both directions.

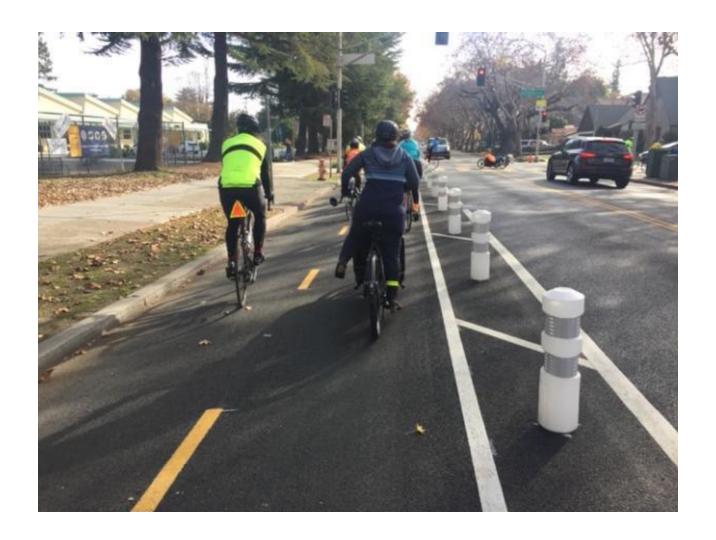
Exit to northbound ECR will use ECR exit and Uturn at Middle (yellow line)



Proposed: Separated ped and bike path.

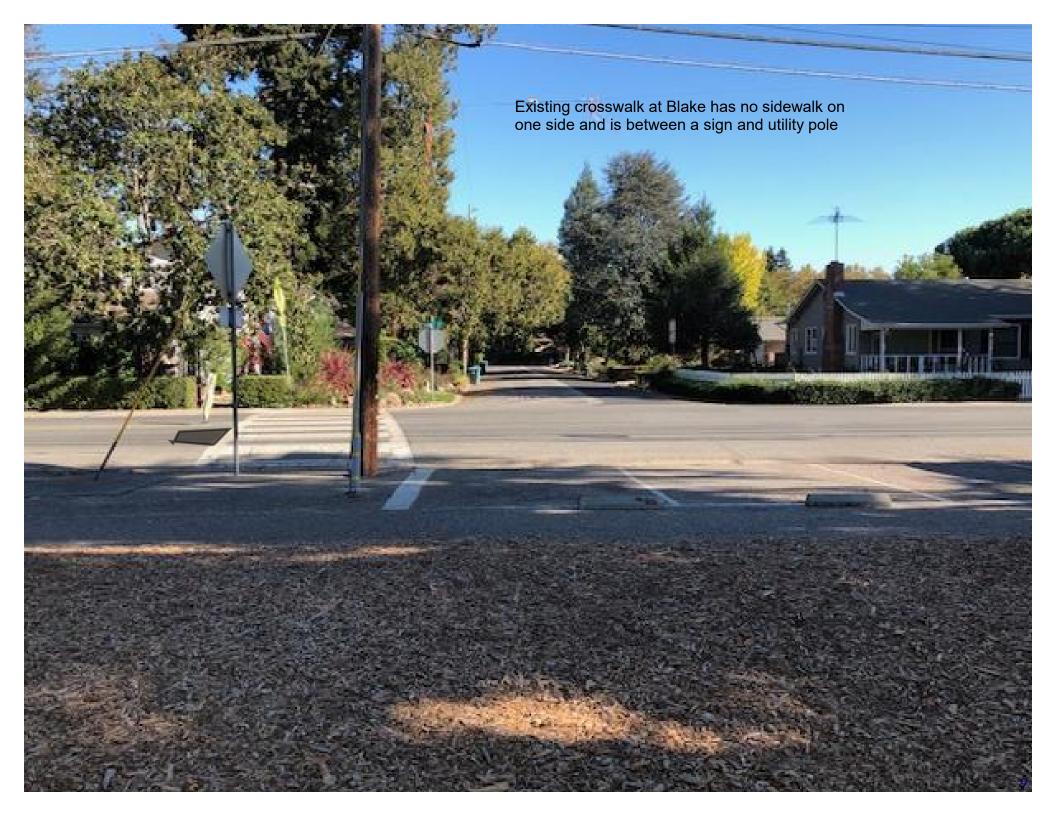


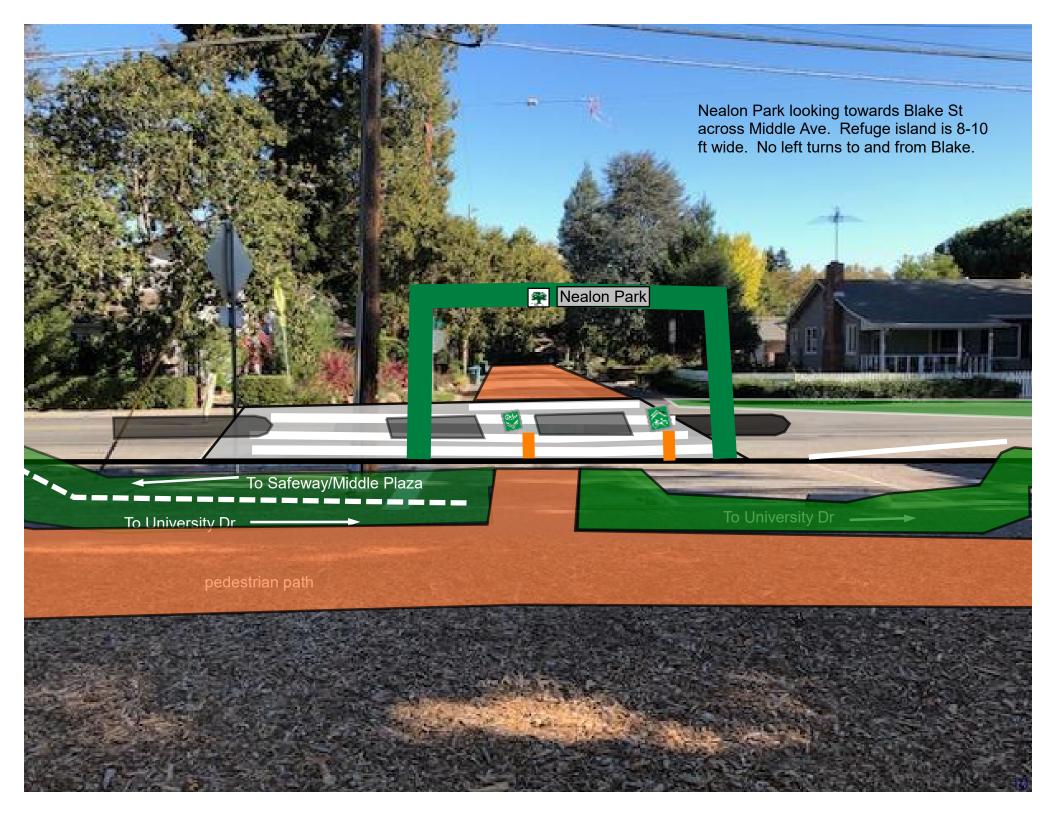






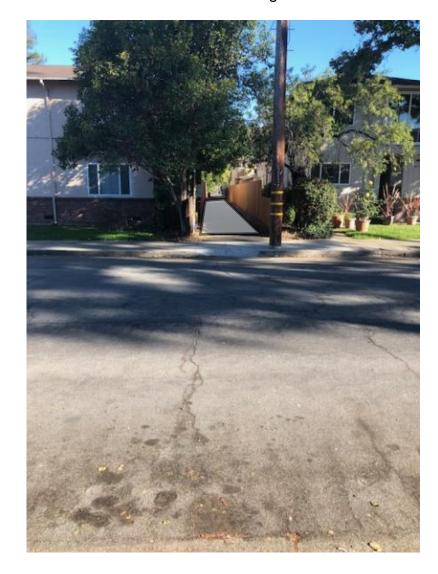
Two-way protected bike lane from Nealon Park to Safeway. Becomes protected one-way bike lanes west of Blake. East of Blake parking remains on south side of Middle. Ample parking available (subject to parking study) in the Nealon parking lot so parking is removed from park frontage on Middle. Space is reclaimed for landscaping and paths. Pedestrian refuge prohibits left turns on to and out of Blake.





Roble entrance to Nealon existing

Roble entrance to Nealon proposed with raised crosswalk and signs











Proposal: Connect areas via Class 4 and Class 1 bike routes rather than Class 2 or Class 3

Plan shown in context with Oak Grove/University project.



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Summary of street layouts

