Complete Streets Commission



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

 Date:
 9/8/2021

 Time:
 7:00 p.m.

 Special Meeting Location:
 Zoom.us/join – ID# 959 6579 2741

A. Call to Order

Chair Levin called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present:	Altman, Behroozi, Cebrian, Cole, Cromie (arrived at 7:12 p.m.), Jensen, King, Lee, Levin
Absent:	None
Staff:	Associate Civil Engineer Phillip Linarte, Engineering Technician Patrick Palmer, Senior Transportation Engineer Kevin Chen, Senior Transportation Engineer Kristiann Choy
Others:	Facebook Transportation Projects Manager Vanessa Peers, Fehr & Peers Transportation Consultant Steve Davis

C. Reports and Announcements

Staff Chen reported on City Council actions related to transportation since the August 11, 2021 Commission meeting.

The Commission received clarification on the newly established 15 miles per hour school zones.

D. Public Comment

None.

E. Regular Business

E1. Approve minutes from the August 11, 2021 Complete Streets Commission meeting (Attachment)

ACTION: Motion and second (Lee/ Jensen), to approve minutes from the August 11, 2021 Complete Streets Commission meeting, revising item E2. ACTION fifth bullet point verbiage from "Pause permanent bulbout installation..." to "Eliminate installation of permanent bulbout...", and combine the last two bullet points, passed 8-0 (Cromie abstained).

E2. Adopt Resolution No. 2021-2 to remove one on-street parking space at 951 College Avenue to construct a retaining curb extension (Staff Report #21-007-CSC)

Staff Linarte made the presentation (Attachment).

The Commission discussed design details, project responsibility assignments, and project scope.

ACTION: Motion and second (Behroozi/ Cole), to adopt Resolution No. 2021-2 to remove one on-street parking space at 951 College Avenue, passed 9-0.

E3. Recommend the City Council adopt a resolution to remove the left turn restriction on Constitution Drive (Staff Report #21-008-CSC)

Staff Choy and Facebook team Peers/ Davis made the presentation (Attachment).

The Commission discussed project scope, roadway congestion and conflicts, driveway alignment, the need for a comprehensive Bayfront area pedestrian and bicycle plan, and complete streets oriented street design.

ACTION: Motion and second (Cebrian/King), to recommend to the City Council to adopt a resolution to remove the left turn restriction on Constitution Drive, recommend the installation of "KEEP CLEAR" pavement marking, and mid-block pedestrian crossing or other pedestrian infrastructure that supports safe connection to the Menlo Portal development directly across Constitution Drive, passed 7-0 (Cole abstained, Jensen recused).

E4. Evaluate commission subcommittees to support City Council priorities

Staff Chen introduced the item.

The Commission discussed charges and responsibilities for the following subcommittees and deferred the remaining subcommittees to the next meeting:

- Climate Action Plan Subcommittee
- Downtown Access and Parking Subcommittee
- Multimodal Metrics Subcommittee
- Safe Routes to School Program Subcommittee
- Zero Emission Subcommittee

ACTION: By acclamation, Commissioner Jensen was assigned to the Zero Emission Subcommittee.

F. Informational Items

F1. Update on major project status

Staff Chen provided an update on additions to Transportation Division staffing.

G. Committee/Subcommittee Reports

G1. Update from Climate Action Plan Subcommittee

None.

G2. Update from Downtown Access and Parking Subcommittee

None.

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G3. Update from Multimodal Metrics Subcommittee

None.

G4. Update from Multimodal Subcommittee

None.

G5. Update from Safe Routes to School Program Subcommittee

None.

- G6. Update from Transportation Master Plan Implementation Subcommittee None.
- G7. Update from Zero Emission Subcommittee

None.

H. Adjournment

Chair Levin adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

Kevin Chen, Senior Transportation Engineer

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951 COLLEGE AVE RESIDENTIAL ON-STREET PARKING REMOVAL COMPLETE STREETS COMMISSION, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021



AGENDA

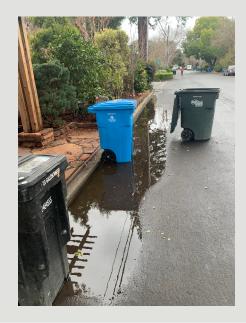
- Background
- Evaluation
- Action
- Next Steps





BACKGROUND

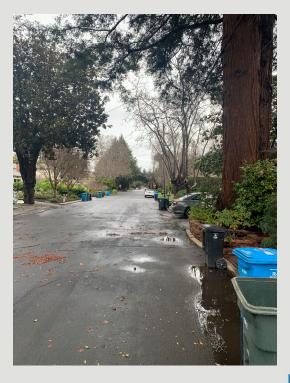
- Resident Request
 - Drainage issue causing significant ponding at 951 College Ave





DRAINAGE EVALUATION

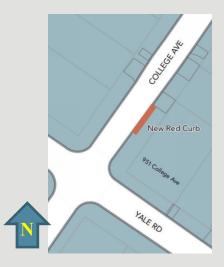
- Field observations
 - Issue created by tree roots
 - Uprooting and drainage issue
 - City Arborist discussion
 - Retaining curb at tree





COMMISSION ACTION

 Adopt a resolution to remove one on-street parking space in front of 951 College Ave





NEXT STEPS

- Parking removal & red curb installation
 - A 15 days appeal period succeeding approval of parking removal





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MENLO PARK

REMOVAL OF LEFT-TURN RESTRICTION ON CONSTITUTION DRIVE

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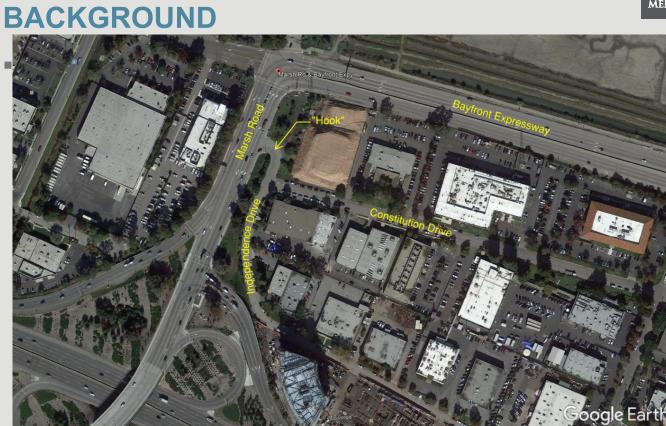
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AGENDA

- Background
- Applicant Presentation
- Recommendation and Next Steps

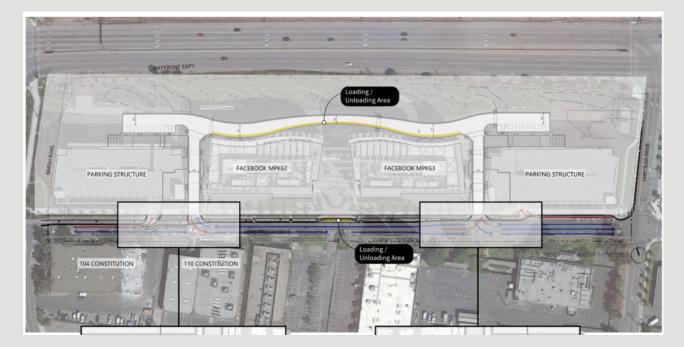






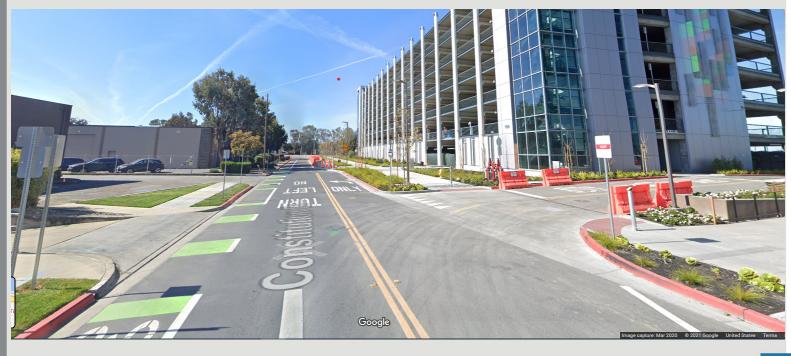


CONSTITUTION DRIVE





PROJECT LOCATION







APPLICANT PRESENTATION



Remove left-turn restriction to the 105/125 Constitution Drive driveway

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Bay Area Transportation

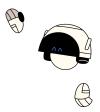
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Agenda

- 1. Background
- 2. Project



01 Background





Before 2018





2018-2019





Present





02 Project





Need for project

Facebook provides transportation services (shuttles, trams, on demand vehicles) to reduce vehicle trips 80% of AM shuttles and 20% of PM shuttles as well as 10% of on demand vehicles (in both the AM and PM peak hour) come from Marsh

- Circulation at Menlo Gateway operates in a clockwise direction (i.e. all vehicles enter at the west driveway on Constitution) to ensure employees can safely exit on the right side of the road, in front of the building entrances
- Removal of the left turn restriction would:
 - avoid circuitous routing of shuttles (and other vehicles) from Marsh
 - reduce VMT of shuttles (and other vehicles) from Marsh
 - provide flexibility for tram routing
 - reduce unnecessary vehicles and congestion on surrounding roads and at nearby intersections



Need for Project

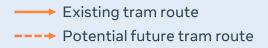


Potential future AM inbound shuttle route





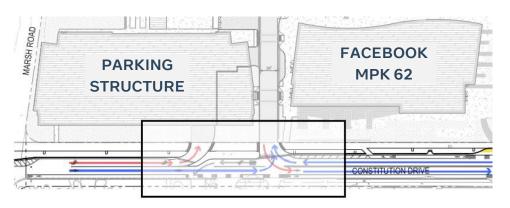
Need for Project







Proposed Near-Term



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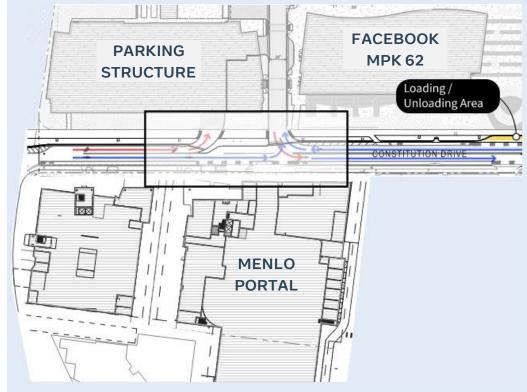
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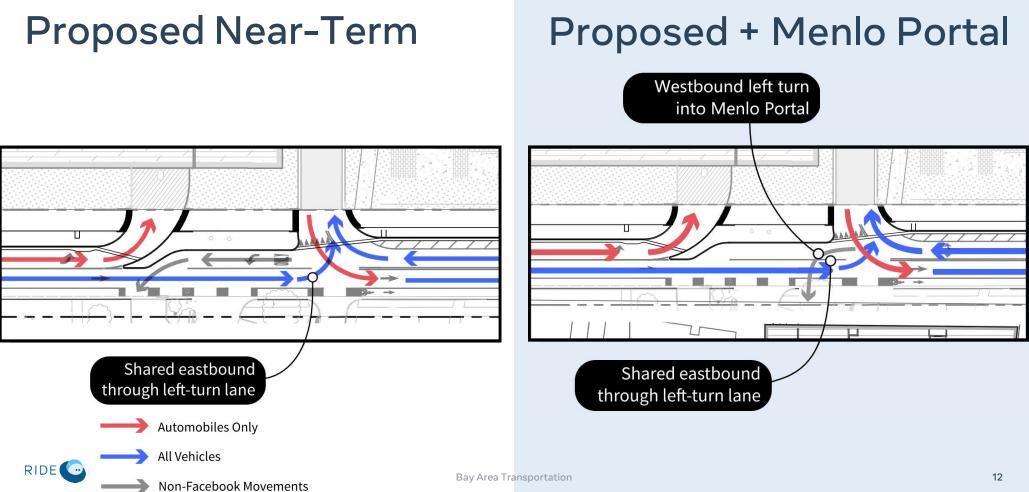
 → All Vehicles

Non-Facebook Movements

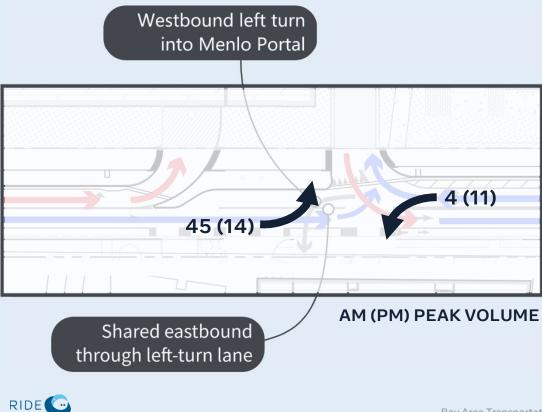
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Proposed + Menlo Portal





Anticipated Future Left Turn Volumes & Queues



Eastbound Queuing¹

Ρ	eak Hour	Existing	Proposed Near-Term	Proposed + Menlo Portal
	AM Peak	N/A	25 ft. (1 Vehicle)	25 ft. (1 Vehicle)
F	PM Peak	N/A	0 ft. (No Queue)	0 ft. (No Queue)

1. Queue lengths rounded to nearest 25 ft.

RIDE

Q&A Please share your questions or feedback!



Thank you!





OUTREACH

- Postcards sent out
- Discussion with Menlo Portal applicant









RECOMMENDATIONS & NEXT STEPS

- Recommend to City Council to remove left-turn restriction
- Staff anticipates bringing item to Council in October





THANK YOU

