

# Complete Streets Commission

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES



**Date:** 8/13/2025  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Teleconference and  
City Council Chambers  
751 Laurel St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

### A. Call To Order

Vice Chair Cole called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

### B. Roll Call

**Present:** Bailey, Cebrian, Cole, Rennie, Herscher, Rascoff  
**Absent:** Ierokomos  
**Staff:** Senior Transportation Planner Catrine Machi

### C. Reports and Announcements

Commissioner Rascoff reported out on Recology bin placement in bike lane buffers.

### D. Public Comment

None.

### E. Regular Business

E1. Accept the Complete Streets Commission minutes for June 11, 2025 (Attachment)

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Cebrian/ Bailey), to accept the Complete Streets Commission minutes for June 11, 2025, with revisions to items A, E2 and H, passed 6-0-1 (Ierokomos absent).

E2. Receive an update on the South County Multimodal Strategy Project (Presentation)

San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) staff Planning & Fund Management Manager Sue-Ellen Atkinson and Government & Community Affairs Officer Amy C. Linehan made the presentation (Attachment).

The Commission received clarification on how prioritization will reflect local plans and Vision Zero goals and made suggestions for additional project connections and outreach opportunities.

E3. Recommend to City Council to approve the Complete Streets Commission 2025-26 work plan (Attachment)

Senior Transportation Planner Catrine Machi introduced the item.

The Commission received clarification on work plan edits and made changes to the draft work plan.

**ACTION:** Motion and second (Bailey/ Rennie), to recommend the revised Complete Streets Commission 2025-26 work plan, incorporating edits made during the discussion for City Council approval, passed 6-0-1 (Ierokomos absent) (Attachment).

**F. Informational Items**

**F1. Update on major project status**

Staff provided updates on the completed pilot project on Coleman Avenue, construction on Middle Avenue and the upcoming crossing improvement project at El Camino Real and Ravenswood.

**G. Committee/Subcommittee Reports**

None.

**H. Adjournment**

Vice Chair Cole adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Senior Transportation Planner Catrine Machi



# South County Multimodal Strategy

*Menlo Park Complete Streets Commission*

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August 13, 2025

# Agenda

- 1 Introduction
- 2 What is 101 Corridor Connect?
- 3 Multimodal Strategies
- 4 South County Multimodal Strategy
- 5 Community Engagement
- 6 Q&A

# Introduction





# HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED TRAFFIC LIKE THIS ON US 101?





# What is 101 Corridor Connect?

A collaborative program to identify and prioritize **congestion management** projects along US 101 in San Mateo County.

101 Corridor Connect looks **beyond just highway infrastructure** and considers the mobility needs of the corridor as a whole.

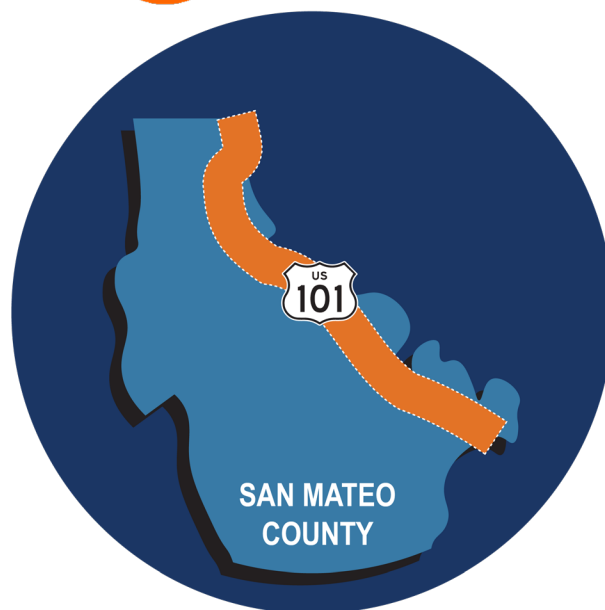
**Program partners** include C/CAG, Caltrans, cities, transit agencies, and San Mateo County.

# REDUCING CONGESTION

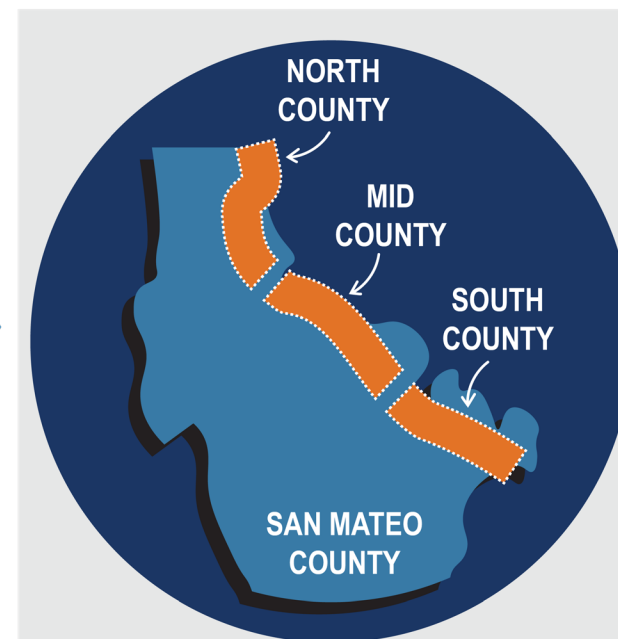




## US 101 South Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan



## INITIATIVES



## Multimodal Strategies

+ OTHER FUTURE INITIATIVES

Using Caltrans' US 101 South Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan as its foundation, 101 Corridor Connect will identify, prioritize and deliver locally-supported projects along US 101.

# Goals of 101 Corridor Connect



## **Safe**

Enhance safety for users of the transportation network.



## **Connected**

Connect people to the places they need to go.



## **Sustainable**

Improve air quality and reduce emissions.



## **Inclusive**

Increase access for underserved communities.

# Multimodal Strategies

North County | Mid County | **South County**



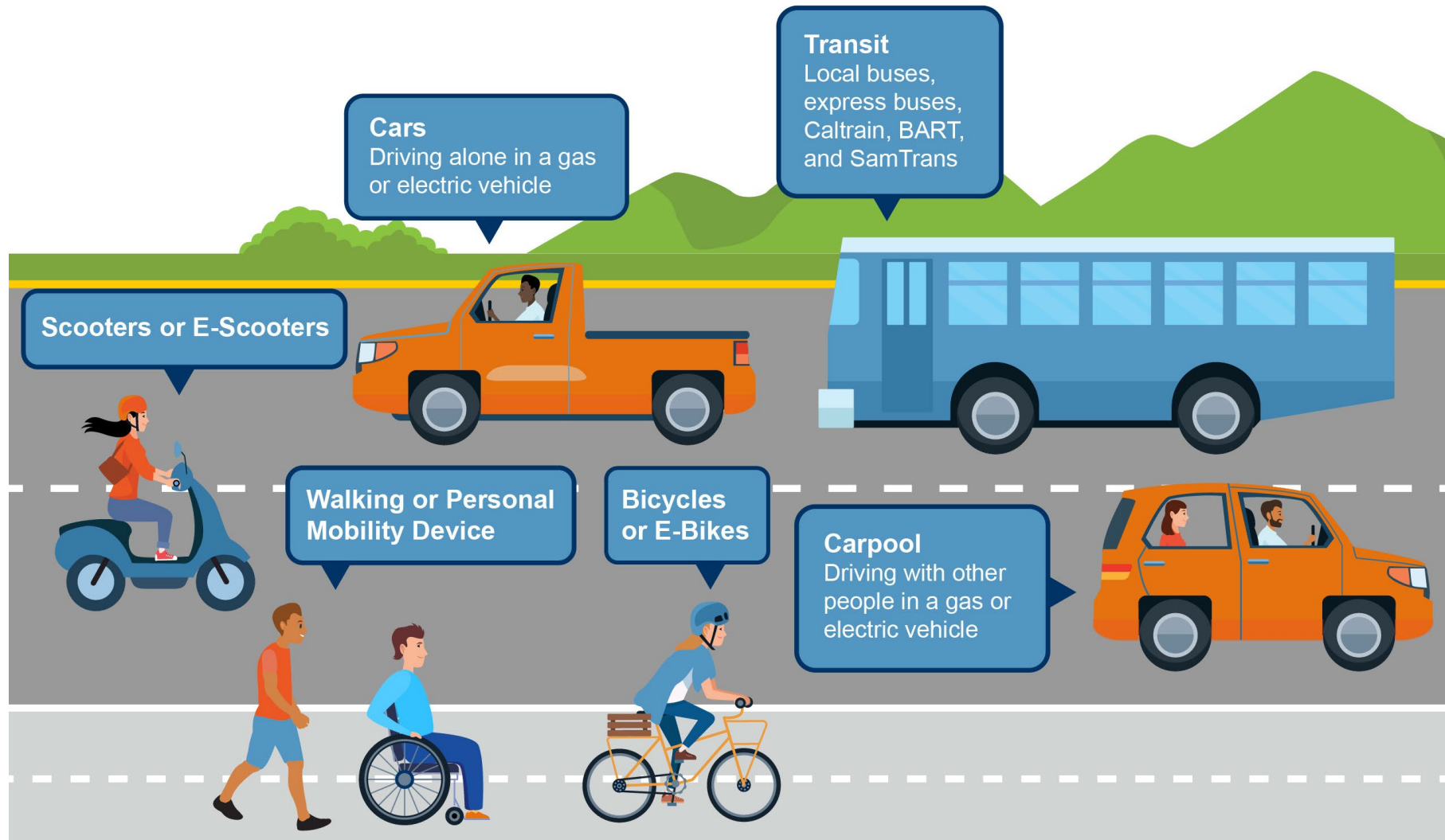
# What is a Multimodal Strategy?

The Multimodal Strategies are planning documents that will identify and prioritize needed projects in San Mateo County.

Multimodal Strategies will be developed for the entire 101 corridor as the first initiative of 101 Corridor Connect.

Projects will include highway, active transportation, transit, other types of improvements.

# What does Multimodal Mean?



## 1 North County

Brisbane, Millbrae, San Bruno,  
South San Francisco

**Expected Completion Fall 2025**

## 2 Mid County

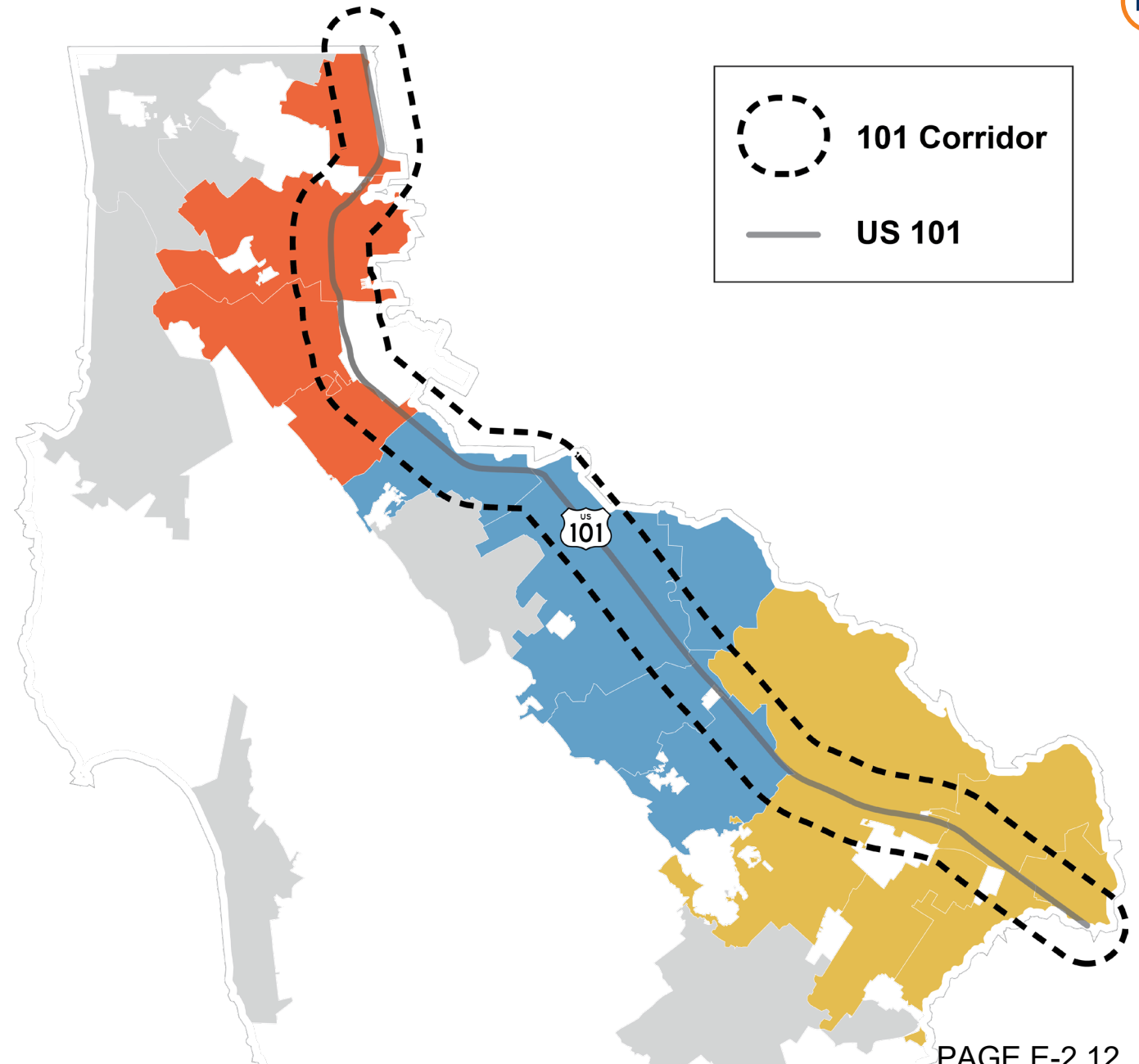
Belmont, Burlingame, Foster  
City, San Carlos, San Mateo,  
Redwood Shores

**Expected Completion Winter 2025**

## 3 South County

Atherton, East Palo Alto,  
Menlo Park, Redwood City

**Begins in 2025**





# Getting Beyond Just the Highway

Projects that will be considered for the program should improve **mobility, safety, economic development, sustainability** and **equity** for all users in the 101 corridor and can be inclusive of all modes of transportation

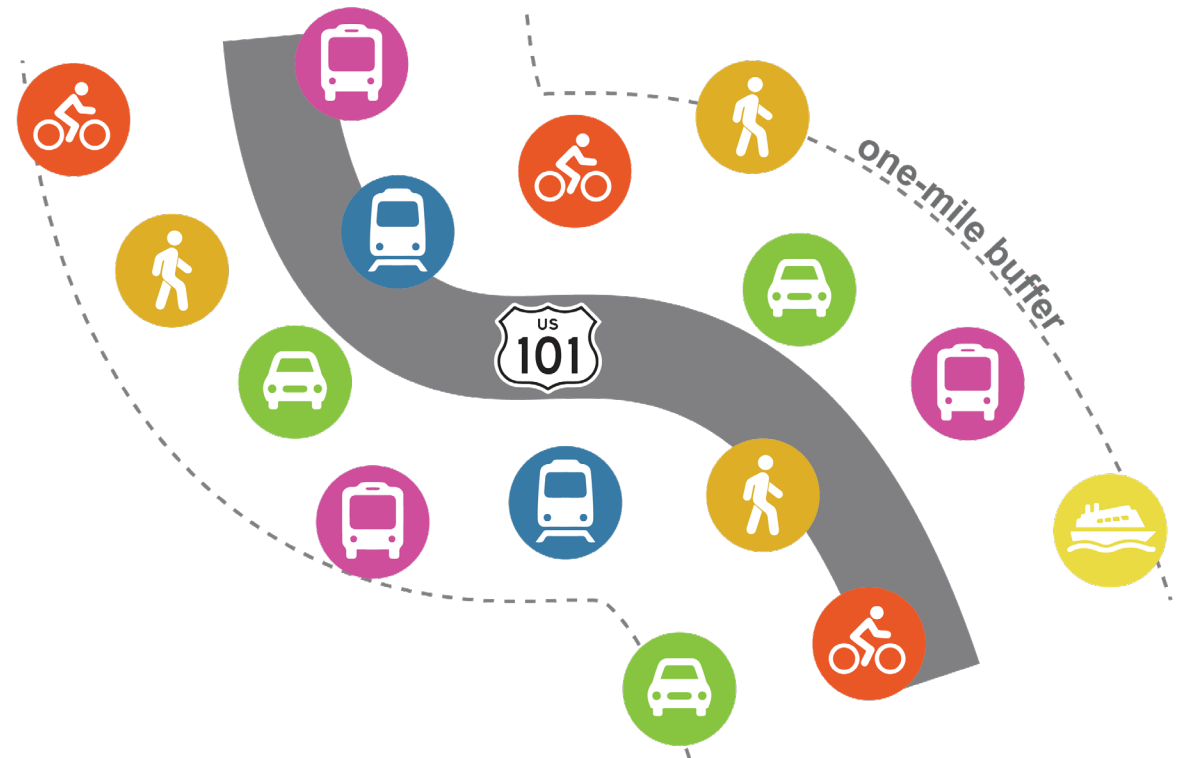


# Multimodal Strategy Development

## Step 1: Identify and Evaluate

Transportation projects on the freeway and within the one-mile buffer will be identified through existing planning documents and capital improvement programs and through discussions with agency staff.

Identified projects will be assessed for their potential to address congestion on US 101 and evaluated against criteria based on various factors including grant program guidelines, community feedback, and the TA's Strategic Plan.



# Multimodal Strategy Development

## Step 2: Prioritize and Deliver

Projects will be prioritized based on the results of the evaluation process to inform the final program of projects. Implementation strategies will be developed for each project to help ensure a coordinated approach to delivering projects.





# Multimodal Strategy Components

1

Existing  
Conditions  
Report

2

Project  
Inventory

3

Community/Stakeholder  
Engagement

4

Prioritization and  
Implementation Plan

## Project Study Area

### ③ South County

Atherton, East Palo Alto,  
Menlo Park, Redwood City  
Begins in 2025



# Project Timeline





# Community Engagement

# Community/ Stakeholder Engagement Components

- Webpage
- Online Survey
- Pop-Up Events (in each city)
- CBO Partnerships
- Stakeholder Presentations
- Project Working Group Meetings
- Temporary Bus Stop Signs
- Multilingual Documents and Interpretation

# Engagement Activities



## Public Feedback

**What would improve  
your travel experience  
along the 101  
corridor?**

- Roadway improvements and connections
- Safety while biking, walking or rolling
- More or improved bicycle/scooter lanes
- Intersection/crosswalk improvements
- Improved access at transit stations or options for people with mobility challenges
- More frequent and reliable transit service
- Affordable travel options
- Electric vehicle infrastructure
- Repair existing infrastructure
- Improve lighting and landscaping

## Promote Our Survey!

If you travel along the  
U.S. 101 corridor, we  
want your feedback

Chance to win a \$100  
Grocery Gift Card



## FILL OUT OUR ONLINE SURVEY



Tell us how we can improve  
transportation along the  
101 Corridor.

The [survey](https://www.surveyhero.com/c/SouthCounty) is open until August 16, 2025  
(<https://www.surveyhero.com/c/SouthCounty>)

You must be at least 18 years old to participate. To enter the prize drawing without participating in the survey, send an email with your name, mailing address, email and phone number, to [info@smcta.com](mailto:info@smcta.com), or call Customer Service at 1.800.660.4287. Limit one entry per household.

# Thank You

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# Complete Streets Commission work plan

Public Works Department  
701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park CA 94025  
Approved September 12, 2025



## Work plan goals

The Complete Streets Commission provides advice and recommendations to the City Council on realizing the City's adopted goals for Complete Streets, the Transportation Master Plan, Vision Zero, and the Climate Action Plan. The Complete Streets Commission also evaluates proposals or projects relating to transportation issues from neighboring jurisdictions and regional entities.

1. Advise the City Council on the implementation of the Transportation Master Plan [\(TMP\) and any possible improvements and additions to the TMP](#):
  - a) Annually evaluate and propose transportation projects to include in the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan (Fall).
  - Advise and make recommendations for new and ongoing projects including:
    - a) Middle Avenue/El Camino Real intersection improvements, Middlefield Road Safe Streets Project, Santa Cruz Avenue Safety Improvements, Willow Road Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Project
    - b) New and ongoing pilots Nealon Park frontage parking, Blake Street temporary closure, and Coleman Avenue Traffic Calming Measures
2. Advise and provide input to the City Council on [citywide](#) transportation policies/programs:
  - Make recommendations to City Council on citywide bike rack inventory
  - [Advise-Advise](#) on Vision Zero strategies and program implementation including applying Vision Zero's data driven approach to the development of the Slow Streets program
  - [Evaluate driveway stopping sight distance policy to designate no parking zones as per the municipal code](#)
  - [Provide feedback on the implementation approach to AB 413 Daylighting Law](#)
  - Support the implementation of safe routes infrastructure improvements and strategies:
    - a) Advocate for community engagement and education, program continuity and design implementation such as or including:
      - i. [Advocate for safety improvements in school zones](#)
      - ii. [Participate in the Safe Routes to School task force](#)
      - iii. [Make recommendations for improving City's – Public Works website content to residents with regards to transportation programs and policies. Include recommendations for outreach topics on projects and educational content for safe riding and walking.](#)
      - iv. [Develop an outreach strategy to increase public awareness of how and why to report near misses and collisions and create a feedback loop.](#)
    - b) [Advocate for projects that support projects serving safe routes to](#) community and regional-based destinations (e.g., schools, work, shop and recreation)
3. [Provide input and recommendations on the City's major development projects when the project's impact on public streets, safety and transportation accessibility is not consistent with the City's master plans and development requirements such as the City's General Plan Circulation Element Provide input to the City Council on major land use and development projects as it relates to transportation before it goes to Planning Commission](#)
4. Support the Council's initiatives to improve access to Downtown and support downtown businesses.
  - Review bike lanes on El Camino Real
5. Support Climate Action Plan Strategy No. 4 - Reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by 25% or an amount recommended by the Complete Streets Commission
  - [Evaluate metric to measure progress and set specific long term and annual goals](#)
  - Recommend and evaluate projects and policies that expand access to safe biking, walking, transit, and zero-emission vehicle infrastructure.
  - Prioritize recommendations that reduce vehicle miles travelled in the transportation sector through increased use of active, shared and electric mobility options

## Work plan history

Action	Date	Notes
Work plan recommended	<a href="#">July 9, 2025</a> <a href="#">August 13, 2025</a>	Click or tap here to enter text.

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