



Central Neighborhoods Area – Neighborhood Meeting September 26, 2019

CNC NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATE

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

City Council Major Goals Work Plan Adopted for the Next Two Fiscal Years

The City of Mountain View has many critical services, programs, and projects under way to fulfill its mission and help make Mountain View a great community in which to live, work, visit, and play. In addition, through a deliberate goal-setting process, in June 2019, the City Council adopted four major goals and projects to fulfill and emphasize during the next two years.

Goal 1: Promote a Community for All with a focus on Strategies to Protect Vulnerable Populations and Preserve Mountain View's Socioeconomic and Cultural Diversity

Goal 2: Improve the Quantity, Diversity, and Affordability of Housing by Providing Opportunities for Subsidized, Middle-Income, and Ownership Housing

Goal 3: Develop and Implement Comprehensive and Innovative Transportation Strategies to Achieve Mobility, Connectivity, and Safety for People of All Ages

Goal 4: Promote Environmental Sustainability and the Quality of Life for the Enjoyment of Current and Future Generations with a focus on Measurable Outcomes

A total of 64 projects were adopted to advance these goals. For more information on the Fiscal Year 2019-20 through Fiscal Year 2020-21 City Council Major Goals Work Plan, and a list of the projects that correspond to the goals, please visit the City website at www.mountainview.gov/council/goals.asp.

Implementation of Short-Term Rental Regulations

The City adopted a Short-Term Rental (STR) Ordinance in December 2018 and has implemented the ordinance in phases.

The first phase established operating standards for short-term rentals which all STRs have been subject to since January 1, 2019.

The second phase of the STR Ordinance implementation began July 1, 2019. This phase includes a registration requirement with the City by September 1, 2019 and a prorated \$165 annual registration fee designed to recover the City's costs of regulating STRs.

The City began sending out notices to all STR operators. STR operators will have 30 days to register their rentals and avoid fines. For more information on the City's short-term rental regulations and instructions on the registration process, please visit the City's website at www.mountainview.gov/str.

Responding to Homelessness and Residents Living in Vehicles

Over the past three years, the City Council has pursued a multi-pronged approach to help unhoused residents in need and maintain the quality of life for our neighborhoods. During this time, the City has committed nearly \$2 million dollars and dedicated significant staff resources to the issue. This includes the City providing startup and operational funding, in conjunction with the County, to MOVE, a new local safe parking program provider, as well as supporting Community Services Agency (CSA), Mountain View's largest service provider for people in need, Hope's Corner and the cold weather shelter at Trinity United Methodist Church, Graduate House transitional shelter, and the Quetzal House youth shelter.

On September 24, 2019, the City Council considered action on a safe parking ordinance and oversized vehicles street parking restrictions around bike lanes and on narrow streets.

For more details on Council actions, and to learn more about the City's commitment to addressing homelessness, the unstably housed, and maintaining our neighborhoods, please visit www.MountainView.gov/homeless.

Airplane Noise -Santa Clara/Santa Cruz Roundtable

Santa Clara/Santa Cruz Roundtable, a permanent aircraft noise mitigation entity, was established in December 2018 and held its inaugural meeting of the Roundtable in February 2019.

The purpose of the Roundtable is to establish a collaborative and cooperative relationship between the local governments of Santa Clara County and Santa Cruz County, the FAA, San Francisco International Airport (SFO), and Norman Y. Mineta

San Jose International Airport (SJC) to develop, evaluate, and implement reasonable and feasible policies, procedures, and mitigation actions that minimize aircraft noise impacts to help improve the quality of life of residents in Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties.

The Roundtable meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm at the City of Santa Clara City Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. Meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is October 23. To view agendas, meeting minutes, presentations, and learn how to file noise complaints, please visit <https://scscroundtable.org/>.

Census 2020

Every 10 years, the U.S. Constitution requires a count of the nation's population to determine the number of congressional representatives for each state. The government also uses census data to distribute an estimated \$600 billion in federal funding annually. The official Census Day is April 1, 2020.

The City is committed to ensuring a full count of all Mountain View residents and is collaborating with Santa Clara County, the U.S. Census Bureau and numerous community-based organizations to ensure that every resident in Mountain View is counted.

In March 2020, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin to mail letters to every household with information on how to complete the census. In May 2020, U.S. Census field staff (called enumerators) will visit households who have not completed the census.

To learn more about Census 2020 please visit www.mountainview.gov/census2020.

COMMUNITY SERVICES - PARKS AND RECREATION

New Community Center Opened

The newly renovated Mountain View Community Center hosted its grand opening on Saturday, February 23. The new facility has three classrooms, two exercise rooms, and a brand new 3,785 sq. ft. social hall with catering kitchen. All rooms are available for private rentals and special events. The project also included a new traffic signal at Rengstorff Ave and Stanford Ave as well as a wonderful new classroom and outdoor play area for the City's Preschool programs. More information on rentals and programming at the new Community Center can be found in the Recreation Activity Guide online.

New Latham Community Garden

In August, the City opened Latham Community Garden located at the corner of Latham Street and Shoreline Blvd. The Garden adds 84 new plots to the City's community

garden program. At this time there is a waitlist for a garden plot but if you are interested in more information or adding yourself to the waitlist, please email gardens@mountainview.gov or contact the Recreation Division.

McKelvey Fields and Schaefer Park Renovation

The McKelvey Baseball Fields are expected to open this winter in anticipation of being used for Mountain View Little League and Babe Ruth next spring. The Santa Clara Valley Water District has renovated the fields, lowering them approximately 15 feet below ground level to act as a flood detention basin. In addition to the two new baseball diamonds, Schaefer Park will be opening next to the fields at ground level.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Downtown Parking Updates

Downtown Parking Strategy

City Council is scheduled to discuss a Downtown Parking Strategy in a Study Session on October 15, 2019.

Valet Parking Pilot Program

The Valet Parking Pilot Program at Parking Lot 11 (Villa at Franklin Streets) is in its second year of operation. The program operates Thursday through Saturday (excluding holidays) from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm.

Holiday Parking Hours

The downtown extended holiday parking hours will take place this year from November 28, 2019 through January 12, 2020. The public may park for an extra hour in the public parking lots and structures and along Castro Street between Evelyn Avenue and California Street.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING

Downtown Precise Plan

On June 25, 2019, the City Council authorized city staff to prepare a scope of work for a consultant team to assist in analyzing potential revisions to Precise Plan Sub Areas A, G, and H regarding design guidelines, feasibility of a historic district overlay and minimal ground-floor land use changes. Once the scope of work is authorized by Council, the process is anticipated to take 18 months and include public outreach, environmental review, and Study Sessions with EPC and City Council.

East Whisman Precise Plan Update

City Council has directed staff to develop an East Whisman Precise Plan to implement the 2030 General Plan goals and policies for the area and study new residential land

uses in the area. The General Plan identifies East Whisman as a highly-sustainable, transit-oriented employment center with a diversity of land uses. The new Precise Plan will include development standards, such as building setbacks and height limits; allowed land uses, urban design guidelines, and will identify new public improvements for the area. The Precise Plan is being considered by the Environmental Planning Commission on October 2, and is tentatively set for Council final consideration on November 5. For more information, please go to www.mountainview.gov/eastwhisman.

Terra Bella Visioning

The City is developing a Visioning and Guiding Principles Plan for the Terra Bella area to help define a vision for future change in the area. The plan will include development principles which will provide a foundation to guide review of future development projects in the area. The City Council will be presented with the Visioning Plan to consider its endorsement and provide other direction to staff. The dates tentatively set for the Environmental Planning Commission is October 23, and for City Council, November 18. Additional information can be located at www.mountainview.gov/terrabella.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT

Hope Street Lots (100 block of Hope Street)

On November 27, 2018, the City Council approved an application for a five-story, 115,650 square foot hotel building with three levels of subterranean parking, a 52,584 square foot mixed-use building with three levels of subterranean parking, and complete Hope Street improvements plan to replace existing City owned parking Lots 4 and 8 on a 1.37-acre site. The project will result in a net increase of 76 public parking spaces; resulting in a total of 225 spaces.

PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT

756 California Street

An application was submitted for a new three-story, 7,664 square foot commercial building with retail, office, and medical office uses to replace a one-story dental office building on a 0.7-acre project site. The application is under review.

231-235 Hope Street (231 Hope St.)

An application was submitted for a four story, 9-unit condominium project replacing three apartment homes, and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 2 Heritage trees on a 0.26-acre project site. The application is under review.

Mountain View Academy (360 South Shoreline Boulevard)

A proposal to construct seven apartment units for staff housing, a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove six Heritage trees, and a Parcel Map to create two parcels from the existing four parcels on a 2.95-acre project site is under review.

714 Villa Street

An application to construct a new four-story, 32,812 square foot building with 4,420 square feet of ground-floor retail and 28,392 square feet of office with no on-site parking replacing an existing single-story commercial building on a 0.2-acre site is under review.

676 West Dana Street

An application has been submitted to construct a 4-story, 20,166 square foot mixed-use project with 3 floors of residential condominiums with ground-floor commercial and two floors of underground parking and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove three Heritage trees, replacing an existing commercial building on a 0.25-acre project site. The application is under review.

701 West Evelyn Avenue

An application to construct a new 4-story commercial building containing 8,050 square feet of ground floor retail and 30,840 square feet of office with three levels of underground parking is under review.

325-339 Franklin Street

An application to construct a 15-unit residential condominium project to replace 13 existing rental units on a 0.52-acre project site is under review.

294-296 Tyrella Avenue

An application for a 13-unit rowhouse development to replace one existing dwelling unit on a 0.48- acre project site is under review.

1510 West El Camino Real

An application to construct a new 3-story hotel on a 0.53-acre project site located on the northwest corner of El Camino Real and Pettis Avenue is under review.

1313 and 1347 West El Camino Real

On December 12, 2018, the Zoning Administrator approved an application from Lux Largo Development, LLC to construct a four story, mixed-use project with 24 apartment units above ground floor commercial space and two levels of underground parking on a 0.45-acre project site. The project is located on the southwest corner of West El Camino Real and Mountain View Avenue in the P-38 (El Camino Real) Precise Plan.

1720 Villa Street (Formerly 1696-1758 Villa Street)

On June 4, 2019, the City Council approved an application from Prometheus Real Estate Group for a 226-unit apartment complex over two levels of underground parking to replace 16 apartment units and 3 single family homes, and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 26 Heritage trees. Building permit plans are under review.

950 West El Camino Real

On April 30, 2019, the City Council approved an application from Palo Alto Housing 71-unit affordable studio apartment development and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove eight Heritage trees on a 0.61-acre project site. Building permit plans are under review.

864 Hope Street

On November 14, 2018, the Zoning Administrator approved an application three residential units to replace one single-family home on a 0.25-acre project site. Building permit plans are under review.

257-279 Calderon Avenue

On May 8, 2018, the City Council approved an application to replace nine existing residential units and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove five Heritage trees Planning Division Update August 2019 Page 27 of 36 on a 0.91-acre project site. The project is currently under construction.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS - ENGINEERING

PROJECT STUDIES, DESIGNS, AND UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION

Shoreline Boulevard/Villa Street Intersection Modifications, Project 16-27

This project includes modifying the traffic signal to add exclusive left-turn phases for eastbound and westbound directions on Villa Street, eliminating pedestrian and left-turning conflicts thus enhancing pedestrian safety and includes modifications to related curb ramps, curb and gutter, sidewalk and striping and signage enhancements. Other improvements include removal of pork chop islands and free right-turn lane on the northeast corner thus minimizing conflicts between northbound traffic on Shoreline and westbound right-turning traffic on Villa; tightening the northwest corner radius which would slow down right-turning traffic from Shoreline to Villa; adding an exclusive right-turn lane on westbound Villa; and adding a new crosswalk on the north side across Shoreline.

The project is currently in design and is partially grant-funded. Grant funding requires the City to obtain State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) approval for environmental documents and authorization for construction. Staff expects to

receive Caltrans approval by end of this year. Construction is scheduled to begin the summer of 2020.

Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection Improvements

The Castro Street/Moffett Boulevard at Central Expressway near-term improvements are intended to provide bicycle and pedestrian improvements at the intersection in the near term until a pedestrian/bicycle undercrossing is constructed. On May 15, 2018, Council approved a conceptual plan for the project and directed staff to proceed preparing the final plans and specifications.

This project includes the reconfiguration of northbound Castro Street by eliminating the two left-turn lanes onto westbound Central Expressway, installing a through green bicycle lane, and providing a designated right-turn-only lane onto eastbound Central Expressway; tightening the radius of the right-turn lanes from Central Expressway to northbound Moffett Boulevard and to southbound Castro Street by removing pork chop islands and reconstructing the curb, gutter, and sidewalk; tree removal; traffic signal modifications; and, signage and striping improvements to enhance bicycle and pedestrian safety. The project is currently being advertised and is anticipating construction beginning fall 2019.

Police/Fire Administration Project

The project is in the early stages and the City is currently interviewing consultant teams for professional design and engineering services. Staff anticipates the consultant selection and agreement negotiation process will conclude in late fall 2019. A staff recommendation for agreement award will then be submitted to Council for consideration in early 2020.

Aquatics Center at Rengstorff Park Replacement

In the fall of 2018, the City held three public outreach meetings to engage the public and seek input on the aquatics features and programs that may be incorporated into the Project. Through the summer of 2019, the City issued a city-wide on-line survey of its aquatics program and received additional public input on the features and programs that may be incorporated into the Project. In addition to this effort, the City has engaged the services of a specialty consultant to analyze the local aquatics marketplace and provide context and cost considerations for the programs and features that are under consideration. Staff anticipates bringing the results of the study and survey to the Parks and Recreation Commission later in the fall of 2019 or early 2020.

RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

Graham Middle School Turf Replacement

Over the summer, the City replaced the artificial turf at Graham Middle School. The work was completed prior to the beginning of the new school year.

CITY PROJECTS IN DESIGN

2018-2019 Street Resurfacing and Slurry Seal Project

Construction will start soon for street resurfacing work at the following locations:

- Shoreline Boulevard from El Camino Real to Central Expressway overpass
- California Street from Shoreline Boulevard to Bryant Street
- Dalma Drive from Calderon Avenue to McCarty Avenue
- Horizon Avenue from Central Avenue to Willowgate Street

Residents will be notified by the contractor with the construction schedule for work on their streets.

Calderon Avenue Bike Lane from Mercy St to El Camino Real

The City will begin the design for extending the bike lane on Calderon Avenue from Mercy Street to El Camino Real.

CITY PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Shoreline Boulevard Transit Lane Project

The proposed project will construct a dedicated center-running reversible bus lane and improve pedestrian and bicyclist facilities on Shoreline Boulevard between Middlefield Road and Pear Avenue. The project would improve the flow of buses along the Shoreline Boulevard corridor and would not eliminate any existing vehicle lanes. Water and sewer pipelines on Shoreline Boulevard between Middlefield Road and Highway 101 will also be replaced. Design is currently underway and scheduled to complete by November 2019. Construction is scheduled to start early 2020 and complete by summer 2021.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS - TRANSPORTATION

El Camino Real Streetscape Plan

The El Camino Real Streetscape Plan currently underway provides design concepts and recommendations to achieve the mobility guidelines set forth in the 2014 El Camino Real Precise Plan (ECRPP) and the 2018 Caltrans District 4 Bike Plan. The Streetscape Plan proposes design concepts that will maintain the overall system capacity for vehicular traffic, widen the existing sidewalk, construct curb extensions and/or other pedestrian crossing enhancements, implement three new signalized pedestrian/bike crossings (Pettis Avenue, Bonita Avenue, and Crestview Drive), replace existing on-street parking with Class IV protected bikeways, and enhance transit stops. The design concepts will be used by private developers and City capital improvement projects to improve mobility for all modes of travel (pedestrian, bicycles, transit and motor

vehicles) along and across the corridor, and will ensure that a consistent streetscape for El Camino Real will emerge over time.

The City Council will consider adopting the Streetscape Plan on October 1. Council has also authorized City staff to work with staff from the California State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) on the potential for initial implementation of a segment of protected bikeways and pedestrian improvements through integration with Caltrans' repaving and ADA upgrade projects, which are slated for construction in 2022. Information about the City's El Camino Real Streetscape Plan project is available at mountainview.gov/ECRstreetscape. To receive information and updates about the project, please be sure to create a login to "MyMV" at mountainview.gov/mymv, and under My Notifications (General), subscribe to ECR Streetscape topic.

Castro Pedestrian Mall Feasibility Study

This project will explore concepts and alternatives for creating a pedestrian mall or public plaza along all or a portion of the 100 block of Castro Street between Evelyn Avenue and Villa Street. With an urban design perspective, the concepts will focus on improving the pedestrian experience and how best to tie into the improvements planned for the Mountain View Transit Center. The study will include a robust community engagement process along with technical analysis and is expected to be concluded by the end of 2020. If you are interested in receiving notices of public meetings and/or updates on the project, please create an account to login to [MyMV](https://www.mountainview.gov/mymv/) (<https://www.mountainview.gov/mymv/>), then select Castro Street Pedestrian Mall Feasibility Study topic under My Notifications (General).

Castro Street Bikeway Feasibility Study

The City is conducting the Castro Bikeway Feasibility Study to assess options for improving bicycling accommodations along Castro Street between El Camino Real and California Street. As part of this study, staff led a walk/bike study tour of the corridor that was attended by 35 community members. Consultants are now working to translate existing conditions data and community input into feasible options for accommodating bicycles along this important connecting piece of the City's bicycle network. The study will be completed by the end of 2019 and identified improvements will be proposed to the City's Capital Improvement Program for implementation.

Mountain View Community Shuttle Update

Thanks to Google's offer to continue funding the Mountain View Community Shuttle for another five years, the shuttle service will remain in place through at least 2024. The Community Shuttle has transported over 600,000 riders around town since its inaugural launch in January 2015. The shuttle provides connections throughout Mountain View to residents whose mobility needs have not been met through other services available in the City. For more information about the shuttle program, visit MVCommunityShuttle.com or call (855) 730-RIDE (7433).

Mountain View Shuttle Study

The purpose of this study is to evaluate local transit service needs and develop alternatives for the potential expansion/modification of local shuttle services, including the Mountain View Community Shuttle. This study will explore how best to serve Mountain View residents and employees, including the service needs for senior citizens, students, and first mile/last-mile connections. The Shuttle Study is anticipated to be completed by end of 2019 and the findings of this study will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Modal Plan.

New Ordinance on Bikes, E-Bikes, E-Scooters and Transportation Devices

The City of Mountain View has adopted a new ordinance on the use of bicycles, e-bicycles, e-scooters, and transportation devices on City streets and sidewalks (Mountain View City Code Chapter 19 Article VI). Council approved the ordinance on April 9, 2019, and the ordinance became effective on May 9, 2019. When combined with the California Vehicle Code, the new ordinance strives to provide a consistent approach to regulating the use of bicycles, scooters, and transportation devices on City streets and sidewalks. A key principle of the rules when riding on sidewalks is to yield to pedestrians and exercise care under the circumstances and conditions. To view the rules for riding right, please visit: www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/transport/gettingaround/default.asp.

Vision Zero Policy and Program

Vision Zero is an integrated set of policies, plans and programs based on the principle that fatal traffic collisions are unacceptable and often preventable. In 2018, the City of Mountain View conducted initial research and analysis on fatal and severe injury traffic collisions, which identified a high injury network and key collision factors. This information has informed staff recommendations for transportation Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects. It also informed development of a Draft Vision Zero Policy, which was presented to Council on January 15, 2019. In fall 2019, staff will conduct community outreach and return to Council for adoption of a Vision Zero policy.

Comprehensive Modal Plan

The Comprehensive Modal Plan aims to consolidate and integrated existing transportation plans and studies into a single, cohesive framework that identifies the City's primary transportation network(s) serving all modes with a focus on major corridors and first-/last-mile connections, including school transportation. It will also draw upon information, analysis, and action planning associated with Vision Zero. The plan is expected to be completed by summer 2020.

Transit Center Grade Separation and Access Project

The Transit Center Grade Separation and Access Project will improve safety, capacity, and multimodal access to the Transit Center and Downtown Mountain View. In early 2018, the City initiated preliminary engineering and environmental clearance for the project, which includes infrastructure improvements identified in the Transit Center Master Plan approved by the City Council in May 2017. The project includes closure of the Castro street crossing of the train tracks, a new Evelyn Avenue ramp to Shoreline Boulevard, a pedestrian and bicycle undercrossing of Central Expressway and the railroad tracks, additional bicycle and shuttle access improvements, and improvements to the Caltrain boarding platforms. Preliminary engineering and environmental clearance should be completed by the end of 2019. Final design and construction will follow as soon as funding is available. For more information on the project, visit <http://www.mountainviewtransitcenter.com/>.

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