

COUNCIL NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

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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 Living in Vehicles

Homelessness and the inadequate supply of housing in the region, particularly housing that is affordable and accessible, has been an issue the Council has grappled with for more than three years. Mountain View has actively responded and implemented a multi-pronged, balanced approach to help residents in need and maintain the quality of life for our neighborhoods. The most recent Council actions on September 24, 2019 include:

- The adoption of an ordinance regulating safe parking in the City. The purpose of a safe parking program is to provide homeless individuals and families living in vehicles a safe place to park overnight.
- The adoption of Code changes to allow emergency shelters in additional zoning districts.

For more information and ongoing updates on homeless initiatives, visit www.MountainView.gov/homeless. This page also has links to *Ask Mountain View* for feedback or questions, and associated parking/traffic updates.

Responding to Traffic Safety Concerns

Issues related to oversized vehicles parked in the public right-of-way have been raised during the Council's many discussions regarding the issue of homelessness and unstably housed residents, most recently on March 19, 2019 and June 11, 2019. On September 24, 2019, the Council approved phased parking restrictions for oversized vehicles on certain Class II Bike Lane streets, and narrow streets of less than or equal to 40' wide to address traffic safety implications.

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 every other 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.

Sustainability Action Plan 4

Staff is preparing a new Sustainability Action Plan 4 (SAP-4) for Council approval on October 22. This three-year plan is intended to serve as the City's fourth roadmap for strategic investment in sustainability, and was presented to the Council Environmental Sustainability Committee on September 16. While achieving the City's short- and long-term greenhouse gas reduction targets remains the overall focus of the City's sustainability program, SAP-4 encompasses the broader spectrum of sustainability, with initiatives that provide a wide variety of environmental and health benefits to the community. SAP-4 contains 80 proposed new actions, such as improving pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, installing additional electric vehicle chargers, improving building energy efficiency, reducing natural gas use in buildings, and increasing outreach programs for residents and businesses.

Mountain View Green Building Code Update

The City is currently preparing an update of the Mountain View Green Building Code, which occurs every three years concurrent with the State's building code update cycle. Mountain View has consistently sought to exceed the requirements of the Statemandated California Green Building Code, and will present the proposed updates to Council on October 22. The draft code will include several measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in new development, including building electrification, electric vehicle chargers, and solar power systems.

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 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 emailgardens@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-PLANNING

PLANS, POLICIES and DEVELOPMENT

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 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

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 Environmental Planning Commission considered the Precise Plan on October 2, 2019 and it 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.

PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT

1885 Miramonte Avenue - St. Francis High School

Staff is reviewing a request for a Conditional Use Permit to increase the number of students at an existing private high school, Saint Francis High School; a Development Review Permit to allow two new buildings (Center for Innovation and Dining Commons) totaling 94,000 square feet to replace two existing buildings, totaling approximately 42,000 square feet, on an existing campus; and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 12 Heritage trees on a 29.7-acre project site. This project is located on the east side of Miramonte Avenue between South Drive and Cuesta Drive.

982 Bonita Avenue

On May 15, 2018, the City Council approved a Planned Unit Development and a Development Review Permit for a new development on the east side of Bonita Avenue between West El Camino Real and Hans Avenue. The proposed development consists of eight condominiums with below grade parking to replace four existing residential units and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove three Heritage trees on 0.47-acre project site. Building permit plans are currently under review.

2500 Grant Road - El Camino Hospital Campus

In June 2016, the City Council approved a new 2-story, 56,000 square-foot behavioral health building; a new 7-story, 265,000 square-foot medical office building; a new 5-level, 390-stall parking structure adjacent to the new medical office building; and a 4-level, 430-stall addition to the existing North Parking Garage, on the 40-acre hospital campus. The project includes demolition of the following existing buildings: a 16,000 square-foot behavioral health building, a 260,000 square-foot Old Main Hospital Building, and an 80,500 square-foot North Addition Building (adjacent to the Old Main Hospital) and the removal of 220 surface parking stalls. The Behavioral Health Services building and a new medical office building are under construction. Construction is expected to be completed by November.

1313 and 1347 West El Camino Real

The Zoning Administrator, on December 12, 2018, approved a Planned Community Permit and a Development Review Permit, with a 35% State Density Bonus, 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 El Camino Real Precise Plan.

Lux Largo (1411 - 1495 W El Camino Real)

On May 7, 2019, the City Council approved a Planned Community Permit and Development Review Permit to construct a 53-unit, stacked-flat, condominium building to replace three existing commercial buildings totaling 13,200 square feet, a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 6 Heritage trees, and a Tentative Map to create 53 condominium lots on a 1.25-acre project site. The project is located on the south side of West El Camino Real between Rich Avenue and Mountain View Avenue in the El Camino Real Precise Plan area.

1510 West El Camino Real

Staff is reviewing a request for a Provisional Use Permit to allow a hotel use, a Planned Community Permit and Development Review Permit to allow a new 3-story, 89-room hotel to replace an existing automotive shop and dog daycare on a 0.53-acre project site; and a Lot Line Adjustment to merge parcels into one parcel. This project is located on the northwest corner of West El Camino Real and Pettis Avenue in the P-38 (El Camino Real) Precise Plan

950 West El Camino Real

On April 30, 2019, the City Council approved a Planned Community Permit and Development Review Permit for a 71-unit affordable studio apartment development, with a Density Bonus Request; a Provisional Use Permit for roof-top amenities above the third floor and residential accessory uses in the ground-floor commercial setback; and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove eight Heritage trees on a 0.61-acre

project site. This project is located on the north side of West El Camino Real between Castro Street and Oak Street in the P-38 (El Camino Real) Precise Plan. Building permit plans are currently under review.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS - ENGINEERING

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.

PROJECT STUDIES, DESIGNS, AND UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION

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.

<u>Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection Improvements</u>

The Castro Street/Moffett Boulevard at Central Expressway near-term improvements are intended to provide bicycle and pedestrian enhancements 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 construction is anticipated to begin fall 2019.

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 be complete this fall with construction starting in spring 2020. The project will take approximately 18 months, and most of the work will occur at night time.

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 conflicts between pedestrian and left-turning vehicles. Other improvements include removal of pork chop islands and the free right-turn lane on the northeast corner, to minimize 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 construction is scheduled to begin in summer of 2020.

El Monte Corridor Study

The El Monte Corridor Study will identify "Complete Street" elements that can be incorporated along the corridor. These elements may include, but are not limited to, any of the following: lower posted speed limits, lane reduction, addition of buffered bike lanes, traffic calming, intersection improvements, enhanced pedestrian crossings, or the installation of a median island with a goal of reducing traffic collision rates and improve the overall safety of all travel modes. For the purposes of the study, the corridor is defined as El Monte Avenue from Springer Road to El Camino Real and along El Camino Real from El Monte Avenue to Escuela Avenue. Public outreach meetings are tentatively planned in December 2019/January 2020 and alternatives will then be presented to BPAC, CTC, and City Council in spring/summer 2020.

Police/Fire Administration Building

The City is currently interviewing consultant teams and expects Council award of an architectural services contract in early 2020. Alternatives to be studied include remodel and expansion of the existing building as well as construction of a new building.

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 online survey of its aquatics program and received additional public input. 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 late fall 2019 or early 2020.

Sonia Way, Park Drive and Park Court Reconstruction

City staff is preparing design plans for roadway reconstruction of Sonia Way, Park Drive and Park Court. Construction is scheduled to start late summer 2020.

Miramonte Avenue Resurfacing

Resurfacing of Miramonte Avenue from Cuesta Drive to El Camino Real is scheduled to start summer 2020. Residents will be notified of construction schedules once a contractor is on board.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS - TRANSPORTATION

El Camino Real Streetscape Plan

The El Camino Real Streetscape Plan 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 roadway 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 the City 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 approved the Streetscape Plan on October 1, 2019. Council has also authorized City staff to work with Caltrans staff 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 www/mountainview.gov/ECRstreetscape. To receive information and updates about the project, please be sure to create a login to "MyMV" at www.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 (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 through 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 shuttle program, visit: the www.MVCommunityShuttle.com or call (855) 730-RIDE (7433).

Mountain View Shuttle Study

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, please visit: www.mountainview.gov/depts/pw/transport/gettingaround

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 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 improvements and 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 integrate 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 www.mountainviewtransitcenter.com/.