



Gibbons Drive: Street Classification History

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Gibbons Drive is classified as a Neighborhood Local Street in the [City of Alameda Street Classifications](#), an appendix to the [General Plan 2040](#). City Council gave direction that Gibbons Drive should be designed as a local street over 15 years ago, and more recent City plans and policies have followed that direction.

Timeline 2009-2023

- **Street Classifications adopted by City Council in 2009:** Gibbons Drive was classified as a Transitional Collector Street,¹ which meant that it operated as a Collector Street at that point but should be altered to be a Local Street “today or in the future.” That would mean designing the street to primarily serve local uses rather than the heavier through traffic expected on a Collector Street.
- **Active Transportation Plan adopted by City Council in 2022:** Gibbons was shown as a Neighborhood Greenway in the long term (after 2030), reflecting 2009 Street Classifications direction.
- **Street Classifications adopted by City Council in 2023:** Gibbons is classified as a Neighborhood Local Street, reflecting the 2009 Street Classifications direction and aligning with 2022 Active Transportation Plan. To reduce the number of classification categories, the 2023 classifications did not include “transitional” ones and reflected target goals rather than current uses.

¹**2009 Street Classifications** Transitional Collector definition: “Transitional Collectors currently function as Island Collector streets but are desired to operate as Local Streets. This is in contrast to the Local Street classification, which already operates as such. Through a series of measures, either implemented today or in the future, the Chapter 4 - 23 - Transportation Element street’s traffic volumes and/or trip characteristics will be altered to the point that a lower classification is warranted.”

2009 Street Classifications



Figure 1: 2009 Street Classifications

2022 Active Transportation Plan



Figure 2: Active Transportation Plan Low-Stress Bikeway Vision Network showing Gibbons Drive as a Neighborhood Greenway in the long term



Figure 3: Active Transportation Plan 2030 Low-Stress Backbone Bikeway Network, with no Neighborhood Greenway prioritized on Gibbons in the near-term

2023 Street Classifications



Figure 4: 2023 Street Classifications