Grand Street Pavement Resurfacing and Safety Improvements

Transportation Commission

May 25, 2022





Agenda

- Introductions
- Project
- Next Steps
- Community Input





Introductions

- Project Team
 - City of Alameda: Robert Vance, Tawfic Halaby & Gail Payne
 - NCE: Ryan Shafer & Sara Dowling
 - Fehr & Peers: Nate Levine & Ryan McClain & Susie Hufstader
- Outreach
 - Letters to adjacent properties & sandwich boards
 - Social media, Facebook, NextDoor and Emails
 - Webpage: <u>www.alamedaca.gov/GrandStreet</u>



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Project: Goals

- Promote safety
- Improve pavement condition
- Provide mobility for all modes, including AC Transit buses
- Support City plans & policies







Alameda General Plan Policies

- **Safety First:** When designing streets, the <u>safest treatments</u> should be considered the default starting point and be degraded only if necessary after documenting rationale for the approach. (Policy ME-6, Action B.)
- **Space Priorities:** When allocating public right-of-way space, the first consideration shall be for people <u>walking</u>, <u>bicycling</u>, and <u>using transit</u>. Space for on-street parking shall be the lower priority. (Policy ME-6, Action G.)
- **25 MPH:** Reduce the severity of injuries and reduce fatalities by designing streets for a maximum vehicle speed of 25 MPH or less. (Policy ME-7, Action A.)
- Low-Stress Bikeways: Provide separated bicycle lanes instead of unprotected, standard bicycle lanes, unless not feasible. (Policy ME-14, Action H.)



Safety Focus

- Outcome from December 2021 Workshop #1, study of separated bike lanes between Otis and Encinal
- Need to reduce speed
- Separated bike lanes offer greater safety for bicyclists



Project: Recent Enhancements

- Grand Street daylighting
- Wood School pedestrian refuge & enhancements
- Wood School signage & striping
- Otis Drive safety improvements



Key Corridor Considerations

- One of primary N-S connector streets
- Bike connections
- Three nearby schools
- Beach access
- Rittler Park
- Parade route



Project: Pavement

- Resurfacing
 - Grand St. between Shore Line
 Dr. and Encinal Ave. (0.7 mile)
- Components
 - Striping
 - Signage
 - Improved curb ramps
 - Curb and Gutter





Project: Safety

- High visibility crosswalks
- Curb extensions
- Flashing beacons
 - Wood School and Grand St. San Antonio Ave
- Enhanced bike lanes w/ parking reduction
 - Adjacent to Wood School
 - Otis Drive to Encinal Avenue
- Enhanced bus stops
 - Shore Line Drive and Wood School
- Narrower travel lanes



Corridor Overview



Separated Bike Lanes	Enhanced Crosswalk	
Buffered Bike Lane		1
Transit Island	Flashing Beacon	

Wood School Frontage



Bus Island & Flashing Beacons

Wood School



Otis to Encinal Pedestrian Improvements

- Flashing Beacons at school crossing
- Enhanced high visibility crosswalks

at San Antonio, San Jose,

Clinton, and Dayton

 Greater visibility to pedestrians



Otis to Encinal Findings

- On the city and county high-injury network
- Speeds are high (32 MPH 85% percentile)
- 21% of all crashes due to speed
- Parking demand is low (30% peak occupancy)



Otis to Encinal Findings (Cont)

- 55% of children rode on the sidewalk or in the parking shoulder
- 35% of injury bicycle collisions involved children (from 2015-2019)
- Separated bikeways improve safety for all users



Otis to Encinal Typical Sections

• Proposed separated bike lane concept (Draft)



Traditional Class II Bike Lanes (Current)

 6½'
 3'
 10½'
 10½'
 8'
 3'
 6½'

 Bike lane
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 Drive lane
 Drive lane
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 Bike lane

Separated Bike Lane with Partial Parking (*Recommendation*)

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Otis to Encinal Map Overview





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Otis to Encinal Rendering



Parking Needs Met

Segment	Supply With Concept	Peak Occupancy (Weekday PM)		
Palmera/Dayton	4	4		
Dayton/Clinton	7	8		
Clinton/San Jose	4	4		
San Jose/San Antonio	7	6		
San Antonio/Encinal	10	6		



Otis to Encinal Driveway Visibility



Next Steps

- May 25, 2022: Transportation Commission
- July 5, 2022: City Council
- Fall 2022: Finalize design
- Spring 2023: Construction begins



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Community Input





Otis to Encinal Lane Width and Door Swing

• Doorswing zone typical of City Standards





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Otis to Encinal Trash Pick-up

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San Antonio Ave

Otis to Encinal Parade Route

- Accommodates parade
- Careful location of vertical delineators to avoid visual and flow impedance



Lanes Near Bridge

