

City of Alameda Status Report on Transportation, August 2024

In its efforts to meet the City’s goals to eliminate traffic deaths and severe injuries by 2035, as well as to reduce solo driving, improve equity, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the City of Alameda has an ambitious slate of transportation priorities in 2024. This report provides status updates for the 2024 Work Program in the [Transportation 2023 Annual Report & 2024 Work Plan](#).

Policy Documents Key:

- S – City Council Strategic Plan (2023)
- CI – Capital Improvement Plan (2023)
- AT – Active Transportation Plan (2022)
- VZ – Vision Zero Action Plan (2021)
- TC – Transportation Choices Plan (2018)
- *General Plan (2021) items are not marked, though many actions are also included in that plan.*

Citywide Planning Efforts

Plan	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan S, CI	Prepare draft plan for various Boards and Commissions review, post it for public comment, and bring final plan to City Council for adoption.	City Council approved the ADA Transition Plan at the June 18 City Council Meeting and is in the process of hiring an ADA transition coordinator. alamedaca.gov/ADA
Performance metrics and goals for the transportation network VZ, AT, TC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin to develop metrics and goals for all transportation modes. • Pending a technical assistance grant, develop concise before/after reports on key bikeway projects. 11/15/2023 Transportation Commission Item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metrics and goals development has not yet begun. • MTC is including the development of before/after reports for Alameda, which will be used as best practice models for other agencies, in a work scope for local agency technical assistance. The RFP is in development.

Transportation Programs

Transportation Program	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
Legislative agenda VZ, AT	Continue legislative agenda.	Provided a letter of support to WETA for AB 2061 (Wilson) alamedaca.gov/LegislativeAffairs
Parking & Curb Management TC, CI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restripe Park St and Webster St to bring parking back to the curb, clarify where parking is and isn't allowed, and install new color curb zones. • Begin constructing improvements at Civic Center garage. • Launch a mobile payment option for parking meters and City lots. • Bring Ferry Terminal Parking Pricing Strategy to City Council and, if possible, begin paid parking at Seaplane Lagoon and/or Harbor Bay ferry terminals. • Begin contract for parking occupancy data collection and analysis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction complete on Park St and Webster St, restriping, concrete barricades around parklets, and new curb zones. • Civic Center garage – installed temporary fencing on the 1st and 5th floors to deter unwanted activity. Architectural drawings for improvements nearly complete. Received 550 responses to a survey about what time the garage should open and close. Press release. • Planned for upcoming City Council meeting agenda with approval of contract for new pay stations and mobile payment, along with an update on Ferry Terminal Parking Pricing Strategy. alamedaca.gov/Parking
Pedestrian & Bicyclist Education VZ, AT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold annual Bike Festival at Love Elementary in April • Continue contracting with Bike East Bay for adult/teen/family bicycle safety education. • Re-evaluate bicycle education program for 5th graders and determine how best to provide education to these students. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful Bike Festival at Love Elementary on April 27. Video • 10 adult/teen/family bicycle safety education classes to date 2024. alamedabikefestival.org bikeeastbay.org/education alamedacountysr2s.org/our-services/plan-an-event/drive-your-bike
Transportation Management Associations: Alameda TMA and West Alameda TDMA S, TC	<p>All actions listed below are done by the Alameda TMA and West Alameda TDMA, not the City of Alameda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade EZ Passes to Clipper Bay Pass valid on all Bay Area transit (BART, SF Bay Ferry, Muni, etc.) • Complete ATMA / WATDMA merger. 	<p>Alameda TMA actions listed below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launched the Clipper Bay Pass program and had many more sign-ups compared to the EZ Pass. 1,476 members have received the upgraded pass as of mid-August. • Key part of Oakland Alameda Water Shuttle team, which launched in July, providing major portion of operating budget. • Worked with the City to launch the Island Hopper shuttle July-Sept weekend ground shuttle for Alameda Point.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help plan and fund free Estuary Water Shuttle service. • Work with AC Transit to plan for funding increased frequency of Lines 19 and 96. 	alamedatma.org
Vision Zero VZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a Traffic Safety Open House. • Continue Police Department efforts plus study whether to add NHTSA pedestrian safety training for officers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful Traffic Safety Open House held in April with about 50 participants. • Two Vision Zero trainings for new recruits alamedaca.gov/VisionZero
Vision Zero: Fatal Crash Response program S, VZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construct improvements on Mecartney Rd. • Design and construct quick-build improvements at any other fatal crash sites as appropriate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In July, completed construction at Lincoln/9th, site of a 2/21/2024 motorcyclist fatal crash. The quick-build improvements included narrowing Lincoln Ave travel lanes approaching the intersection, extending the existing bulbouts with additional bollards, and adding red curbs, all to help reduce vehicle speeds on Lincoln Avenue and improve visibility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles at the intersection. • Construction is slated for fall 2024 to install flashing beacons and pedestrian crossing improvements at three Mecartney Rd intersections, including site of a 2023 fatal crash,. • Mid-year budget added more funds to the Street Safety CIP to fund the fatal crash response program and additional street safety improvements throughout the City. • In the first half of 2024, 1 person died and 3 were severely injured in Alameda collisions. alamedaca.gov/FatalCrashResponse

Public Transportation

Public Transit Program	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
Alameda CTC Funded Transit Project (City)	Staff has until September 2024 to work with AC Transit staff to repurpose a \$9 million “Named Measure BB” project as part of AC Transit’s Realign process and based on City	Submitted project request to Alameda CTC in March; awaiting guidance. Concept would utilize the \$9 million for roundabouts and other transit-improvements on the Lincoln/Marshall/Pacific and Stargell Avenue corridors, and for the Westline Bus Lane.

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	<p>priorities such as roundabouts on bus lines that serve Alameda Point and the potential Westline bus queue jump lane.</p>	
<p>Bus Service (AC Transit) S, G, TC</p>	<p>AC Transit will continue conducting outreach and refining AC Transit Realign bus service changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AC Transit presented the Realign Draft Plan to the Transportation Commission in May. • City staff and the Mayor provided letters of feedback on this plan to AC Transit Board of Directors. Letters reflected input from Transportation Commission and individual Councilmembers. • AC Transit released its Realign Draft Final Plan in August, including some changes that were responsive to City feedback. Most importantly, the 51A trunk line will continue to serve Alameda in its current form. Line 20 will also route further west to provide more service to the West End and Alameda Point. • On August 7, AC Transit launched a pilot issuing automated camera citations for illegally parked or stopped vehicles at bus stops. <p>actransit.org/Realign</p>
<p>Oakland Alameda Water Shuttle Pilot (City, WETA, Alameda TMA) S, TC, AT</p>	<p>To launch pilot service in summer 2024, finalize all inter-agency agreements, complete vessel modifications and operational testing, install signage and develop marketing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service launched on July 17, with 3,200-3,300 passengers riding in each of weeks 2 and 3, and many runs are at capacity. • Finalized inter-agency agreements, modified vessel, installed signage, and created branding and marketing materials. Other preparations included Coast Guard approvals, Bay Conservation Development Commission (BCDC) permit, ADA ramp installations, schedule development, and other logistics. • Project team will continue to monitor ridership and explore ways to increase frequency to meet the strong demand, within the funding constraints of this two-year pilot. <p>alamedaca.gov/WaterShuttle</p>
<p>San Francisco Bay Ferry Service (WETA) TC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City/WETA to update existing agreements to wind down City's Harbor Bay service subsidy now that Regional Measure 3 funding is resolved. If feasible, develop agreement to fund enhanced security for ferry terminals until a paid parking program is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City/WETA have continued discussions. Staff are working on a plan to implement enhanced security at ferry terminals at the same time paid parking is implemented. • On May 9, 2024, WETA adopted a 2050 Service Vision and Expansion Policy which calls for increased frequency on existing routes and an ambitious regional network expansion if certain criteria can be met.

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	<p>implemented and capable of supporting security needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WETA to begin permitting and planning work on the Central Bay Facility Expansion and Electrification Project • WETA to continue work on the WETA 2050 Business Plan development. 	<p>weta.sanfranciscobayferry.com/2050-service-vision</p>
<p>Link21 regional rail service planning (BART, Capital Corridor) S, TC</p>	<p>In spring, Link21 aims to select which train technology option to use for a bay crossing, then further develop alignment options.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link21 staff to present to the Transportation Commission on 8/28/2024. <p>link21program.org</p>
<p>Paratransit (City)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue all current programs. • Add weekend coverage to the AIM program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIM program began weekend coverage in March. • New Paratransit Coordinator, Lizbeth Escobar, began mid-August. She led the paratransit program in San Leandro for the last four years and will be available to seniors and people with disabilities from her office in the Mastick Senior Center. • No Transportation 101 or Hop on the Bus with Us events were held May-July during interim staffing, but these will begin again with the new Coordinator. <p>alamedaca.gov/Paratransit</p>

Capital Project Planning & Design

Planning/Design Project	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
<p>Fernside Blvd Traffic Calming & Bikeways Project VZ, AT <i>High Injury Corridor</i></p>	<p>Public engagement on design concept alternatives; seek City Council approval of a concept.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public outreach for draft concept alternatives (second round of outreach) held May-June 2024, including in-person workshop, virtual workshop, survey, and presentations to Transportation Commission and Commission on Persons with Disabilities. • Public hearings for final design concept: tentatively slated for November commissions and early 2025 City Council. • Near-term, quick-build construction on Fernside east of High St to be included with 2026 pavement program. <p>alamedaca.gov/Fernside</p>

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<p>Lincoln/Marshall/Pacific Ave Corridor S, VZ, AT, TC <i>High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Includes Equity Priority Areas</i></p>	<p>In January 2024, the City and Alameda CTC executed a grant agreement to partially fund the design totaling \$567,000. Consider re-submitting the SS4A grant; continue work towards design completion. alamedaca.gov/LincolnMarshallPacific</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of improvements on Walnut St and Lincoln Ave planned for late August. • Re-submitted \$20 million federal Safe Streets for All grant proposal in May to design and construct the entire corridor. • Senators Padilla and Butler and Congresswoman Barbara Lee all submitted the same \$3 million federal budget earmark for 4 flashing beacons and 1 pedestrian/bicycle signal at Lincoln Ave intersections with Concordia Street, Ninth Street, St. Charles Street, Stanton Street, and Broadway. • Awarded \$375,000 State budget earmark for stormwater best practice analysis and design. City Council agenda item to accept funding tentatively planned for 9/17. • 35% design for Lincoln/Marshall/Pacific to be complete late summer.
<p>High Injury Corridor Daylighting <i>High Injury Corridors</i> <i>Includes Equity Priority Areas</i></p>	<p>Begin planning Tier 3 for 2025.</p>	<p>The City has completed intersection daylighting of the Tier 1 and Tier 2 high injury corridors. Intersection daylighting will be expanded to include Tier 3 corridors in 2025 with the funds appropriated by City Council during the mid-cycle budget update. alamedaca.gov/HICdaylighting</p>
<p>Neighborhood Greenways S, AT, CI <i>Includes 1 High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Includes Equity Priority Areas</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop Neighborhood Greenway Design and Implementation Guide • Begin transitioning an existing Slow Street to a Neighborhood Greenway 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted outreach for new speed cushions on one block of Versailles Ave as part of the 2024 pavement resurfacing project, as early Greenway implementation. Construction will take place late summer/early fall. • Contracted with consultant and developed Greenways project implementation plan. • Launched project to public with a new webpage and public survey on July 31. • This fall, will conduct outreach and design a segment of Pacific Ave, aiming to begin construction phase this winter. Aiming to complete Slow Streets conversions by end of 2025. • The implementation plan and initial survey results will be brought to the 8/28 Transportation Commission and 9/17 City Council meetings. alamedaca.gov/neighborhoodgreenways

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Oakland Alameda Estuary Bridge S, AT, TC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete PID. • Pursue next project phases, including funding for Waterway Study and attempting to secure a project lead. • Continue to conduct public engagement and meet with stakeholders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PID completed in June. This detailed feasibility study identified three possible alignments and studied each in detail. The work was funded by Alameda CTC. • Applied for and won a \$480,000 Caltrans grant for the Bridge Waterways Study, which will look at how many and what type of boats use the estuary, and model how boats would navigate a narrower opening created by bridge piers. • Presented project to Bay 37 community and tabled at two public events: one in Alameda and one in Oakland estuarybridge.org
Safe Routes to School Infrastructure S, VZ, AT, TC, CI	Complete final designs for safety improvements for school sites for construction in 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on completion of final designs for safety improvements. • On track for construction in 2025. alamedaca.gov/SchoolStreets
Stargell Ave Safety Improvements S, VZ, AT	Conduct further community engagement, further refine concept plan, and, with MTC technical assistance, apply for ATP funding to construct project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted \$7.5M Active Transportation Program grant in June for the Stargell project from Main St to Mariner Square Loop. • Planning public workshop on Sept 18, 2024, to review latest proposal including new bus stops (pending final AC Transit Realign decision) and roundabouts. alamedaca.gov/Stargell

Capital Project Construction

Construction Project	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
Alameda Point Adaptive Reuse S, CI <i>Equity Priority Area</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete construction and close out current construction project. • Develop plans for Phases 2 and 3 of the project, including utility upgrades, green infrastructure and street improvements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pan Am Way has reopened as a new complete street, including new sidewalks, bikeways, and protected intersections. This brings critical infrastructure to serve Alameda's Food Bank and the W Midway development. • W Midway will open later this summer completing the first phase of backbone infrastructure in the Reuse Area. • Streetsblog wrote about the project. alamedaca.gov/AdaptiveReuse

Construction Project	2024 Plan	January-July 2024 Status Report
<p>Central Ave Improvements S, VZ, AT, CI</p> <p><i>High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Equity Priority Area (partial)</i></p>	<p>Begin construction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Central Ave project received final construction approval from Caltrans in June. • Construction bids were opened in August and the project will be brought to City Council for award on September 17. • This \$23 million project includes traffic calming, protected bikeways, pedestrian crossing improvements, and the City's first three modern roundabouts. <p>alamedaca.gov/Central</p>
<p>Cross Alameda Trail: Clement Ave Safety Improvements S, VZ, AT</p> <p><i>High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Equity Priority Area</i></p>	<p>Construction began in February 2024</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the concrete improvements like sidewalk and separated bike lane curbs have been completed. Construction is scheduled for completion by the end of 2024. • Project will extend the two-way cycletrack and add traffic calming and pedestrian improvements from Grand St to Broadway. • Separately, the City added new delineators to prevent vehicles from driving into and blocking the existing portion of the cycletrack on Clement Ave from Minturn to Willow. <p>alamedaca.gov/Clement</p>
<p>Cross Alameda Trail: Clement Ave/Tilden Way S, VZ, AT</p> <p><i>High Crash Intersection</i></p>	<p>Design is expected to be completed in spring. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2024, pending approval by Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) of the soil clean-up plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project is awaiting California Department of Toxic Substances (DTSC) approval of the soil clean-up plan, which will likely arrive this fall. Design is complete but will need to incorporate soil remediation. • Based on DTSC timeline, construction could start spring 2025. • Awarded \$2.1 million Safe Routes to BART grant to extend the project to the Broadway/Tilden Way intersection. Finalized agreement in July with BART. <p>alamedaca.gov/ClementTilden</p>
<p>Cross Alameda Trail: Jean Sweeney Open Space Park Trail Connectors AT</p> <p><i>Equity Priority Area</i></p>	<p>This project is led by the Recreation and Parks Department:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Begin construction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction contract was awarded in March. • Project is awaiting DTSC approval and no estimated date of approval has been provided. <p>alamedaca.gov/CAT</p>

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Cross Alameda Trail: Signal and Intersection Improvements, Main St to Wilma Chan Way VZ, AT <i>High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Equity Priority Area</i>	Complete construction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction began in January (press release). The project will reduce conflicts between vehicles and people walking and biking on the Cross Alameda Trail. It includes new bike signals, left and right turn arrows, and “no right turns on red” restrictions as needed to increase safety. Construction expected to be complete late fall (delayed because manufacturer shipped incorrect traffic signal poles to the jobsite). Traffic signal timing improvements have been implemented for the RAMP / 3rd St and RAMP / Poggi intersections. alamedaca.gov/CAT
Cross Alameda Trail: Clement Ave Extension (Ohlone Ave to Grand St) S, VZ, TC, CI <i>High Injury Corridor</i> <i>Equity Priority Area</i>	Ongoing site preparation and construction by developer, completion estimated in 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The developer for 2015 Grand Street paved the Clement Avenue extension through the project site in May/June. The paving allows water main installation for the project and provides a staging area to construct the housing. The roadway, with a two-way separated bike lane on the north side, is expected to be open to the public by mid-2025. alamedaca.gov/CAT
Grand St Improvements <i>High Injury Corridor</i> S, VZ, AT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct Phase 1 of the project, in coordination with planned work at Wood Middle School. 35% Design PS&E for Phase 2 of the project, between Otis Dr and Encinal Ave. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1 construction contract will be awarded this fall with construction expected to begin Jan. 2025 in coordination with AUSD’s Wood MS frontage improvements. Phase 2 kickoff meeting with design team June 2024 alamedaca.gov/Grand
Mecartney Rd Pedestrian Improvements S, VZ	Complete design and construct improvements.	This project will install new flashing beacons at three intersections along Mecartney Road including Baywalk Rd, Baywood Rd, and Ironwood Rd. Final Design plans have been submitted to the City and construction will occur in fall of this year. alamedaca.gov/rapidresponse
Park and Webster St Striping Update & Concrete Barricades <i>High Injury Corridors</i> <i>Equity Priority Area (partial)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install striping and barricades. 	Construction is complete, including updated striping bringing parking back to the curb and creating new bike lanes; new disability and short-term parking zones; and adding decorative barricades around parklets. alamedaca.gov/CommercialStreets

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Pavement Management & Safety Improvements <i>High Injury Corridors (partial)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct East End Alameda paving project (Grand to High). Develop designs for paving project in Bay Farn Zone (High through eastern limits, 2025) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Began construction in June (press release) In addition to maintaining pavement, construction includes pedestrian upgrades and striping improvements for safety, such as new marked crosswalks and paint-and-post bulb-outs. Began contract to design 2025 paving project. alamedaca.gov/Pavement
Sidewalk Maintenance CI, AT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue sidewalk repairs to remove trip hazards and damage from street trees. Develop plans to close sidewalk gap on the east side of Grand St, north of Eagle. 	<p>Council approved an ADA Transition Plan on June 18, 2024. The Transition Plan included a comprehensive evaluation of accessibility and hazards for 220 miles of sidewalk and 2,862 curb ramps, identifying barriers and ranking according to accessibility. Council authorized an additional \$2 million towards the City sidewalk repair / replacement program to augment current efforts to improve accessibility within the public right of way.</p> alamedaca.gov/Sidewalks
Trails Maintenance (Construction) CI, AT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete maintenance and upgrades of 1/4 mile Shoreline Park trail segment. Develop plan to smooth decking on Wooden Bridge, in coordination with EBRPD. 	<p>About ¼ mile of Shoreline Park trail (also Bay Trail), just north of the Harbor Bay Ferry Terminal, was repaved and improved in the Spring.</p>
Signal and Pedestrian Improvements (Highway Safety Improvement Program project) CI <i>Includes High Injury Corridors</i>	<p>Complete construction of improvements</p>	<p>Construction slated for early fall, including signal upgrades at Santa Clara/Grand and Otis/Willow; and striping improvements at Santa Clara/Grand, Otis/Park, and Fernside/San Jose.</p>
Striping Maintenance CI <i>Includes High Injury Corridors and Equity Priority Areas</i>	<p>Focus on intersection striping refreshing and replacing stop/yield signs on the West End (between the westernmost street, Monarch St, and Grand St).</p>	<p>Planning and design tentatively scheduled for Q3/Q4 2024. Construction tentatively scheduled for Q1 2025.</p>

Other Agency & Developer-Led Transportation Projects

Project	2024 Plan	
Caltrans: Broadway/Otis/Doolittle <i>High Injury Corridors</i> <i>Includes Equity Priority Areas</i>	Review design plans, support public engagement and submit comments to Caltrans reflecting Alameda's mobility and safety priorities.	Staff met several times with Caltrans staff to discuss the latest project design and provide input. The project will be presented at the 8/28 Transportation Commission meeting.
Alameda CTC: Oakland Alameda Access Project <i>High Injury Corridors</i> <i>Includes Equity Priority Areas</i>	Alameda CTC will complete 100% plan set and put project out to bid. City will review and comment on final plans, and support community/business outreach regarding construction phases. Construction planned for 2025 to 2028.	City provided comments on the 100% PS&E (plan set), attended regular meetings with Alameda CTC and stakeholders, and advocated for addressing significant construction impacts of project. The project will be presented at the 8/28 Transportation Commission meeting. OaklandAlamedaAccessProject.com
Army Corps: Fruitvale Rail Bridge Hazard Removal	City to follow up.	Staff requested an update.
Caltrans: Encinal Ave Pavement Resurfacing and Safety Improvements	Complete construction, including curb ramp reconstruction and activation of updated traffic signals.	Caltrans successfully switched over to the new traffic signal equipment for all intersections along the corridor. Project completion is expected in early fall.