EXTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

The City Clerk's Office received the attached correspondence regarding Agenda Item #9-C and 9-E on the 1-20-15 City Council Agenda





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RE: Item 9 Council Referrals

Council Members,

We would like to comment on several Council referrals with the hope of guiding the council on transportation issues.

Item 9-C (2015-1203) Flashing PedestrianCrosswalk Sign on Mecartney Road. We encourage the council and staff to review these intersections to find the best solution to create safer crossings - slower driver speeds and shorter crossing distances. These intersections are currently listed as medium priority projects in the City of Alameda Pedestrian Plan.

In fact, the City of Alameda Pedestrian Plan, which is a component of the city's Transportation Master Plan, is due to be updated. We recommend that the council direct staff to update the plan, so that intersection priorities can be updated.

Item 9-E (2015-1206) Comprehensive Transit/Traffic Strategic Plan and Implementation Tool. We recommend that if a plan is moved forward, part of the plan would be to directly address the bike and pedestrian West End Estuary Crossing beyond the current shuttle. The Estuary Crossing is listed as a high priority project in both the Pedestrian Plan and the Bicycle Master Plan. We also recommend that both Bicycle and Pedestrian plans are updated on schedule.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lucy Gigli, President Bike Walk Alameda