

CITY OF SAN JOSÉ BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

March 25th, 2024

The following staff report contains program updates from the Department of Transportation and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services

Community Events and Meetings:

- Transportation and Environment Committee (T&E)
 - o Monday, April 8th, 2024 1:30 PM
- New City Policy for Public Comment at City of San José Council, Commission, and Committee Meetings:
 - O Due to recent changes to city policy, public comment at City of San José committees and commissions, including BPAC, must now be made in person. Members of the public may still watch meetings live from remote locations but will not be able to participate remotely. For information, see the 2/1/24 memo from the City Clerk. https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showdocument?id=108761

Department of Transportation:

Active Transportation Program:

- The 2024 Bikeways Workplan is currently being drafted. DOT will present the plan to SJ BPAC for review this spring.
- DOT will present its annual *Better Bike Plan 2025* report to BPAC on 3/25/24 and to T&E on 4/8/24. The T&E report will include PRNS's annual trails program report in addition to the bike plan report. The trails program report will be heard separately at BPAC later this spring.

Bike Parking

- No update
- Please email <u>bike.parking@sanjoseca.gov</u> or follow the <u>link</u> to the Bike Parking Request page if you have a suggestion.

Emerging Mobility Program:

City of San José Employee Transportation Program

• No update.

Bike Share and Scooter Share

- Scooter share permit applications will be opened at the end of March 2024.
- 23 new bike share stations will be added to East San José by the end of Fall 2024.
- We will be conducting outreach in East Side San José to site preliminary locations for these stations.

Vision Zero Program:

• Vision Zero planning to present to BPAC in mid-2024.

Walk n' Roll/Traffic Safety:

- Education event calendar from January 1, 2024
 - o 7 Safety Assemblies: 5 at schools that have not had this event since pre-pandemic (Ledesma, Grant, Trace, Simonds and K.R. Smith)
 - o 16 Bike Rodeos, 6 at schools that have not had this event since pre-pandemic (Dahl, Carson, Gardner, Russo McEntee, Grant, and Schallenberger)
- School Traffic Safety Project (ongoing)
 - Coordinating efforts to improve street safety design for all San José K-12 schools with DOT engineering and Vision Zero team
- Walk n' Roll San José will be a panelist for SafeTREC "Cultivating Youth Leadership" webinar on March 12

Regional Rail:

- Transit Mall LRT Platform Railing: VTA has a contractor on board that plans to perform construction February through May 2024; the project will extend the railing on the sloped part of the walkway up to the station platforms at San Antonio, Santa Clara, and St. James LRT stations.
- BART Silicon Valley Phase 2: VTA purchased a tunnel boring machine (TBM) in Fall 2023;
 VTA will begin early works construction in early 2024 to prepare the Newhall Yard/West
 Portal site for the TBM launch
- 7th/Jackson Improvement Project is currently in 95% design
- Bascom Queue Cutter Traffic Signal project at Bascom/Southwest/Borello is currently under 35% design
- Diridon Station: the Diridon Partner Agencies (City, Caltrain, VTA, California High-Speed Rail, and MTC) are working together on a Business Case. Three design alternatives will be

presented to the public in mid-May at the quarterly meeting of the Diridon Joint Policy Advisory Board.

Transportation Planning:

- Five Wounds Urban Village Plan Update: This is a joint land use planning effort between VTA and the City to update the exiting East Santa Clara, Little Portugal, Five Wounds, Roosevelt Park, and 24th/William Urban Village Plans in conjunction with the VTA's 28th Street/Little Portugal BART station planning. An open house and the final community workshop will be held on April 20, 2024.
- King Road Complete Streets Plan: This planning phase aims to make King Road from Berryessa Road to East Capitol Expressway a safer and more inviting place to walk, bike, and take public transit. In the first quarter of 2024, more than 15 events (focus groups, advisory groups, and pop-ups) were conducted to engage the King Road communities in their review of preliminary design concepts. In February 2024, City staff submitted a grant application to the USDOT's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity program in pursuit of funding to support subsequent design and environmental review phases of the project. The current planning phase is expected to complete by Spring 2024.
- North San José Multimodal Transportation Improvement Plan: In February 2024, City staff kicked off an 18-month, community-based transportation planning process for North San José. The Plan will identify a list of transportation projects, programs, and policies to be implemented in North San José over a 30-year horizon, with a particular focus on North First Street. The plan will engage local residents, major and small businesses, and elected officials to develop a transportation vision and associated goals to guide the transportation transformation of San José's major employment center and yet largely underutilized area.
- Reimagining Santa Clara Street: This is an effort to comprehensively re-envision Downtown's most important east/west corridor. The study, which was called for in the Downtown Transportation Plan as a high-priority "Big Move," will set for a vision for a Santa Clara Street that better meets its transportation purpose while also being a more attractive and image-defining "main drag" for downtown with vibrant street life and thriving street front retail. A joint City and VTA review panel selected Sitelab Urban Studios through a competitive RFP process to carry out this project. City Council is expected to award the contract in their April 9, 2024 City Council meeting.

Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services

Trails Program:

• No update.

Viva CalleSJ:

- Save the Dates for the 2024 Viva CalleSJ Season: April 21st, 2024 June 9th September 8th
- Interested in having a booth at Viva CalleSJ? We are accepting applications here: LINK

- For more information email: <u>VivaCalleSJ@sanjoseca.gov</u>
- Viva CalleSJ is looking for volunteers and groups to "Adopt an Intersection" Interested groups and/or individuals please email Anthony.Morales@sanjoseca.gov