



DATE: March 26, 2014

AGENDA ITEM # 6

**TO:** Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission

**FROM:** Cedric Novenario, Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT:** 2040 County Expressway Plan

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss Bicycle and Pedestrian issues relating to the 2040 County Expressway Plan Update

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**BACKGROUND**

In January and February, the Commission reviewed and updated the potential bike and pedestrian related projects that can be suggested to for the County Expressway Plan update.

John Cicarelli, the County's Bicycle and Pedestrian consultant for this project is scheduled to attend your meeting in June 2014. His objective is to understand each jurisdiction's bicycle and pedestrian issues and ways to improve those experiences along the expressway.

Depending on the characteristic and land use adjacent to the expressway, pedestrian facilities may or may not be present along the expressway itself. If possible, it is preferred a pedestrian route be placed along parallel streets or roads of an expressway. In Los Altos, those adjacent pedestrian facilities are located on portions of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Grant Road.

Crossing the expressway is also an important need to address. Enhancements can include bulb-outs, adjusting signal timing to allow ample crossing time for pedestrians, eliminating free-right turns, etc.

**DISCUSSION**

The County and their consultant team, from the point of view of Complete Streets, will focus on traveling along the expressway and crossing the expressway for bicycle and pedestrian modes.

Like many plans, they will examine the existing conditions for each facility and develop a needs assessment. Some things they will be looking for are:

- Connectivity
- Key destinations along the expressway

- Crash exposure, characteristics of accidents on the expressway

From their analysis, the County will create a template of improvements that can be used as a standalone solution or combined with other templates to address a particular issue. Some of these solutions may be compatible across all expressways, while others may be tailored to a specific expressway. The County and their Consultant will define this during their visit in June.