

# **2017 City Council Priorities**

## **Downtown Plan**

The City will develop a plan for downtown that balances vibrancy with a village character.

- ✓ Interviews conducted with various individuals
- ✓ Economic Analysis developed and reviewed and community engagement plan approved at City Council meeting March 14, 2017
- □ July 11: Council discussion on potential projects that may impact the Downtown
- May, 2017: community engagement
  - ✓ Project website launched
  - ✓ Meetings held with Chamber of Commerce, Los Altos Community Coalition, Los Altos Village Association, Los Altos Property Owners Downtown, Public Arts Commissions
  - ✓ Mailer sent to entire City regarding community workshops
  - ✓ Downtown Vision Kick-off event held April 18, 2017
  - ✓ Pop-up workshop held at Junior Olympics at Mountain View High School April 29, 2017
  - ✓ Workshops scheduled for May 4, May 17
  - ✓ Presented to various school PTAs
  - ✓ Questionnaire launched June 12 As of June 30, more than 1,000 responses have been received
  - □ Scenarios to be presented to Council on August 22, 2017
- Parking Committee recommendations will be reviewed by staff and the Planning and Transportation Commission. Recommendations from staff and PTC will be forwarded to the City Council during the fourth quarter of 2017.
- July, 2017: Staff will implement those recommendations of the Downtown Buildings Committee that can be implemented administratively and provide a report to the City Council
- On a quarterly basis, staff will keep City Council informed on specific steps of the vision plan development throughout 2017.
- January 2018: Complete Downtown Vision Plan that includes specific implementation steps and schedule

#### Complete the Improvements to the City's Land Use Regulations for Loyola Corners and El Camino Real

- 1. A new Loyola Corners Specific Plan will be adopted by July 2017
- March, 2017: Economic and Traffic reports will be incorporated in the draft specific plan that will be reviewed at a City Council/Planning and Transportation Commission study session

- ✓ Draft Plan reviewed at Joint City Council/Planning and Transportation Commission Study Session held on April 20, 2017
- □ Circulation analysis to be incorporated into Plan
- April, 2017: Release environmental analysis for public review
- Summer: PTC hearings on the draft specific plan
- Fall: City Council hearing to adopt the specific plan
- July 23, 2017: Moratorium expires
- Staff will initiate implementation steps based on the final specific plan recommendations.
- 2. Adopt new regulations for development along El Camino Real
- March 14: City Council considers extension of moratorium
  - ✓ Moratorium extended to November 14, 2017
  - ✓ Planning and Transportation Commission review of Ordinance completed
  - D Planning and Transportation Commission in process of reviewing density bonus law ordinance
- September: City Council considers CT zone ordinance
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- 3. Proactively review opportunities to expand affordable housing in Los Altos
- Spring 2017: City Council will receive a report on the recently adopted housing element of the Los Altos General Plan
  - ✓ Reviewed May 9, 2017
  - Explore opportunities and constraints at listed opportunity sites
- May, 2017: Council will review possible zoning code changes to encourage secondary dwelling units
  - ✓ Reviewed May 9, 2017
  - ✓ Study Session held on June 27, 2017 to discuss setbacks, heights, etc. for accessory structures
  - □ Ordinance modifying accessory structures setbacks to be prepared
- May, 2017: City Council will review the results of the regional nexus study on commercial linkage fees for housing
  - ✓ Reviewed May 9, 2017
  - Ordinance enacting fee being prepared

#### **Hillview Community Center**

By December 2020, the City will have a new/refurbished community center at Hillview

- ✓ STRATAap Community Center Feasibility Assessment presented to Council April 25, 2017
- ✓ Project budget of \$25 million approved April 25, 2017
- ✓ Hillview Community Center Project Task Force created April 25, 2017
- ✓ Hillview Community Center Project Task Force members appointed May 23, 2017
- ✓ Hillview Community Center Project Task Force meetings held June 15, June 22 and June 29, 2017

- ✓ May, 2017: based on direction from the April 25 Council meeting, staff will prepare a more detailed schedule for this project
- Summer, 2017: Staff will hire an architect to develop the design for the project
  - $\checkmark$  RFP for architect services distributed; eight responses received
  - ✓ Three members of Task Force appointed to RFP Review subcommittee
  - □ Approval of Architect tentatively scheduled for August 22, 2017
- September 26: Study Session with Task Force
- Winter 2017-18: Preliminary Design will be developed, presented to Council and Council will approve plan and provide direction to staff
- Spring-Summer, 2018: Final Design completed and approved through the land use process
- December 2018: Groundbreaking
- 2017-18: City Council will explore fundraising options

## **Traffic Safety**

The City will take steps to improve traffic/pedestrian and bicycle safety throughout the City with a specific focus on safe routes to schools

- ✓ February: City Council receives status report of the implementation of bike/pedestrian improvements and schedule for Master Plan projects
- ✓ Construction contracts awarded for: Illuminated Crosswalk Replacement; Covington Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements
- ✓ Foothill Expressway Improvements Preliminary Design completed Community meeting held June 29
- Staff working with neighborhood representatives for Cuesta Drive to evaluate possible traffic calming options
- Linden Avenue NTMP improvements design; final voting underway
- Complete approximately \$2.5 million of high priority school route improvements by FY 2018/19 and continue to fund school route projects from the bike/pedestrian Master Plans beyond FY 2018/19
  - ✓ May 23: Appropriation of funds for and award of W. Edith/University Avenue Crosswalk Improvements
  - ✓ June 13: Appropriation of funds for and award of University Avenue and Burke Road Crosswalk Improvements
  - ✓ Ten School Route projects approved and funded as part of 2018-2022 CIP construction to take place Summer 2018
  - ✓ Awarded Annual Pathway Improvements project
    - Staff working with representatives from Cities of Cupertino and Sunnyvale, Cupertino Union School District and Fremont Union High School District on routes to schools
- Continue to pursue outside grant funds to address school route improvements, when available
  - ✓ May 9: Appropriation of Community Development Block Grant funds for University Avenue Crosswalk Improvements

### Create and Maintain a 10-year Capital Facilities Plan

Over the next four years, The City Council commits to reinvesting in community infrastructure and facilities. To better inform these decisions, the City will create and maintain a 10-year plan that includes resources and expenses for the improvement and maintenance of city facilities and infrastructure that will improve pride in the community's assets

- June, 2017: City staff will update the 10-year capital facilities plan to include the 2017-18 Budget and decisions made by the City to date
  - □ Fall: STRATAap report on City Hall and Police Department buildings
- City Council will review the 10-year prioritized project plan based on available financial and staffing resources
  - ✓ June 27: Adopted FY 18-22 CIP
- 2017-2020: The City will commit \$10 million over the next 5 years to improved maintenance of the City's street system
  - ✓ June 13: Award Annual Street Resurfacing Project \$1.4 million (approximately 18.5 miles of streets)
  - □ July 11: Award City-wide Street Pavement Maintenance projects \$1.3 million
- Park improvement projects will be prioritized using available park-in-lieu resources
  - ✓ Hydration stations installed at Marymeade, McKenzie and Montclaire Parks
- Community facilities such as City Hall, the Police Station, LAYC, Grant Park, and the Garden House will be remodeled/refurbished to address the continuing needs of the community
  - ✓ Grant Park Exterior and Interior painting
  - ✓ Grant Park Acoustic improvements
  - Grant Park Multi-purpose Room floor replacement
  - City Hall Roof Replacement underway
  - □ Summer: City Hall HVAC Replacement
- Improvements to the libraries will be reviewed during the four-year period

#### **Community Engagement**

The City Council will engage with the community and improve citizen access to City information

- City staff will explore ways to increase subscribers of the City Manager's weekly newsletter
  - ✓ As of June 6: 381 subscribers June 30: 402 subscribers
- December 2017: The City will prepare and distribute a Popular Annual Financial Report
- By December 2017: The City will initiate a refresh of the City's website that will incorporate graphic and font changes that better meet the City's vision, and that allows for improved ease of access to city documents and information
- Conduct a Community survey
- The City Council will continue open office hours throughout the year
  - Open Office Hours held February 23, March 6, March 22, April 8, April 20, May 1, May 15, June 11, June 21, July 7
- ✓ Downtown Plan questionnaire launched on Open City Hall as of June 30, more than 1,000 responses have been received