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Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEM 1 - 11/9/2021 STUDY SESSION
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I will not be able to attend the study session live, but would like to offer a few comments on specific aspects.

Overall, I think the new Complete Streets Master Plan (CSMP) is a very credible effort. Congratulations to those who were involved in producing it.

1. While the CSMP is a strategic document, it largely details specific projects and streets and doesn't fully address big-picture principles. One such principle I would like to see incorporated is a statement that all collector streets must have dedicated sidewalks on at least one side, and on both sides for arterials and in business districts. There are significant stretches of collector streets, such as virtually all of Cuesta east of El Monte, that do not have pedestrian facilities other than the road shoulder, and the shoulder is frequently blocked by parked cars. There is also a section of Miramonte in Loyola Corners where there is no sidewalk and little shoulder. These are safety hazards.
2. Los Altos has an aversion to the use of the term "sidewalk" outside business districts and some school zones. As a result we have pathways that are not clearly dedicated to pedestrian use and frequently used as parking areas. I would encourage Los Altos to recognize the need for dedicated sidewalks in many areas (see above comment) and to include signage and enforce parking restrictions to ensure safe travel by pedestrians. This is particularly true for berm-protected walkways where pedestrians, including wheelchairs and strollers, are often forced to use the street side of the berm to avoid a sidewalk that is blocked by a parked vehicle. It should also be made clearer which side of the berm should be used by bicyclists.
3. While the CSMP highlights the creation of Class 1 Shared Use Paths along streets like Rosita and Berry, there is no signage to tell users of the shared use of the paths. As a result, bicycles don't make full use of the paths and instead ride in the street, and conversely pedestrians are not warned of bicycle use of the paths, which otherwise appear to be generously wide sidewalks. The CSMP should make it a goal to adequately mark bicycle facilities such as this to promote shared safe use of the paths.

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From: [Saeed Foudeh](#)
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Greetings:

My question is about the city master plan for Alicia way.

Is public parking will be allowed in Alicia way in the new plan? Alicia way is adjacent to high school and ascensive parking during the school hours has been a problem in the past. Is public parking during school hours will be restricted to residents only?

Regards

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