AGENDA ITEM # 1

TO: Complete Streets Commission

FROM: Aruna Bodduna, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Safe Routes to School Crosswalk and Intersection Improvement Projects

RECOMMENDATION:

Provide input on Safe Routes to School projects TS-01042, TS-01044, TS-01045, TS-01046, TS-01047 and TS-01054

BACKGROUND

The City of Los Altos adopted the Pedestrian Master Plan (Plan) in 2015, that focuses on improving the pedestrian environment by creating a more walkable, livable, and healthy city. This Plan outlines a broad vision, strategies, and actions for improving the pedestrian environment in Los Altos for people of all ages. One of the key priorities identified in this Plan was to create viable walking and biking routes to school throughout Los Altos. As a part of this plan, Suggested School Routes maps were developed for ten schools in the City and identified recommended improvements to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and access to schools.

DISCUSSION

School Route Projects TS-01042, TS-01044, TS-01045, TS-01046, TS-01047, TS-01054 were identified in the Pedestrian Master Plan and funding for these projects was approved in Fiscal Year 2016/17 Capital Improvement Plan. City entered into contract with CSG Consultants (Consultant) to prepare design for the proposed improvements. Project description for each of these projects is included below.

- Los Altos Avenue/West Portola Avenue Crosswalk Improvements (TS-01042) Improvements at this location consist ADA ramps, flashing stop signs and high visibility crosswalk markings.
- El Monte Avenue Walkway Improvement (TS-01044) This project includes sidewalk repair and walkway expansion/development on El Monte Avenue between Foothill Expressway and Cuesta Drive. Sidewalks/walkways are inconsistent in this area.
- Covington Road at Riverside Avenue Pedestrian Improvements (TS-01045) Improvements at this location include reducing crossing distance for pedestrians across Riverside Avenue either by adding a median refuge area or striping enhancements to reduce crossing distance.

- 4) Springer Road/Fremont Avenue Pedestrian Improvements (TS-01046) Improvements at this location include minor intersection reconfiguration to improve connection to the Berry Avenue path.
- 5) Grant Road/Morton Avenue Pedestrian Improvements (TS-01047) Improvements at this location include ADA ramps and high visibility crosswalk markings.
- 6) Crosswalk Improvements at St. Joseph Avenue and Deodara Drive (TS-01054) Improvements at this location include ADA ramps and high visibility crosswalk markings.

City and Consultant staff will present the concepts of the proposed improvements at the Complete Streets Commission meeting.

Attachment Presentation slides