

DATE: September 30, 2020

AGENDA ITEM # 5

TO: Complete Streets Commission

FROM: Jaime O. Rodriguez, Interim Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: All-Way STOP Sign Installation on University Avenue & Milverton Road

RECOMMENDATION:

Informational Item Only. Receive update on the City's plan to install a new All-Way STOP at the University Avenue & Milverton Road intersection.

INTRODUCTION

The City's CIP Project No. TS-01051 University Avenue & Milverton Road Sidewalk Gap Closure Project was deferred through the current fiscal year due to funding constraints and limited staff resources. The focus of the project includes installation of a sidewalk or some other form of a pedestrian pathway along the west side of University, north of Milverton Road, approximately 160-ft. The City plans to install an All-Way STOP to help improve pedestrian access at the intersection until funding and other resources for the permanent capital improvements are available.

BACKGROUND

As part of the capital improvement program funding adjustment that occurred in the Spring 2020 in response to revenue shortfalls from the COVID-19 environment, several traffic-specific CIP projects were deferred a minimum of one year. Capital Project TS-01051, University Avenue & Milverton Road Sidewalk Gap Closure Project was one of the projects deferred due to anticipated right-of-way issues related to installing the project's proposed sidewalk facility, specifically the loss existing landscaping. The project also includes analyzing and improving the pedestrian landing areas at the University Avenue & Milverton Road intersection.

Upon notification of the deferment, several members of the Complete Streets Commission and residents noted concern regarding the deferral of a previously funded projects. The City is analyzing all deferred projects to determine immediate near-term improvements that can be implemented to help address the measures for which the projects were initially recommended.

DISCUSSION

City staff is recommending the installation of an All-Way STOP at the intersection of University Avenue & Milverton Road as a tool to help aid pedestrians in both traversing through and approaching the intersection in the areas of sidewalk gaps. The City was already considering an All-Way STOP at the intersection prior to the COVID-19 traffic environment as part of a traffic calming strategy along University Avenue. The City plans to move forward

with the All-Way STOP installation due to uncertainty about when the sidewalk gap closure project can proceed. When the project does proceed additional, ADA improvements may be required that are not included in this initial improvement.

Figure 1
Proposed All-Way STOP at University Avenue & Milverton Road

