El Cerrito
Active Transportation Plan
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 6, 2015
Meeting Purpose

- Receive presentation on Active Transportation Plan
- Open Public Hearing
- Consider adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring & Reporting Plan, and adopting the Active Transportation Plan
Meeting Agenda

- Plan Background
- Plan Development Process
- Public Outreach
- ATP Outline
- Major Plan Updates
- Environmental Document
- Questions & Answers
Update to the 2007 Plan

City of El Cerrito

Circulation Plan
for Bicyclists and Pedestrians

Adopted by the El Cerrito City Council June 18, 2007

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Planning Context

- El Cerrito Strategic Plan
- Climate Action Plan
- Ohlone Greenway Plan
- San Pablo Ave Specific Plan
- Active Transportation Plan
- Urban Greening Plan
Plan Development Process

1. Review Policies & Existing Conditions
2. Workshop #1, Bike & Walk Audits
3. Refresh Network & Project List
4. Develop Focus Study Area Concepts
5. Workshop #2
6. Draft Plan
7. Workshop #3
8. Planning Commission Recommendation
9. City Council – Consider Adoption
ATP Outline

1. Introduction
2. Goals, Policies, and Programs
3. Existing Conditions,
4. Proposed Networks
5. Priority Projects
6. Performance Measures
7. Funding and Implementation

Appendices (Crosswalk Policy, Relationship to Other Plans, Conformance with State ATP, plus others)
Major Plan Updates

- Refresh Pedestrian & Bicycle Networks
- Develop Focus Area Projects
- Coordinate with Concurrent Planning Efforts
Major Updates to the ATP: Network & Project List “Refresh”
Major Updates to the ATP: Development of Focus Area & Grant-Ready Projects
Major Updates to the ATP: Coordination with Urban Greening & San Pablo Avenue Specific Plans
Bikeways Network

- Low traffic stress facilities
- BART/Bay Trail access focus
- Bicycle Boulevard segments
- Connections to San Pablo Cycletrack
Pedestrian Network

- Improved Crossings, Particularly at Uncontrolled Locations
- Close Sidewalk Gaps
- Trail Mapping
Focus Area Projects

1. BART to Bay Trail Access
2. Ohlone Greenway Crossings
3. Citywide Wayfinding
4. Arlington Boulevard Walkway Improvements
5. East Side Bicycle Boulevard
6. East Side Wayfinding
7. Key Boulevard Bikeway & Walkway Improvements
8. Fairmount Avenue Bikeway Enhancements
9. Potrero Avenue Bikeway & Walkway Improvements

Figure 3-2
Key Destinations
Goals, Policies, and Programs

- Conducted policies, programs, and practices benchmarking assessment to identify strengths and opportunity areas
- Updated and simplified goals
- Detailed supporting policies for goals
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- Inform decision makers and the public
- Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)
  - Air Quality
  - Biological Resources
  - Cultural Resources
  - Geology and Soils
  - Hazards and Hazardous Materials
  - Hydrology and Water Quality
  - Noise
  - Traffic and Transportation
CEQA Initial Study and MND

- 30 Day CEQA Review Period (6/26-7/26/15)
  - 1 Public Comment: Caltrans
  - Response to Comments
- Mitigation Monitoring & Reporting Program
Planning Commission Recommendation

- Received Presentation and Received Public Testimony on Final Draft Plan & IS/MND – 8/19/2015

- Recommended City Council adoption with some changes to Policy 3-1:
  - Drop the language regarding bike parking because it is already required
  - Require development projects to build adjacent bike facilities when a nexus exists, when it is feasible from an engineering standpoint, and when it is proportional to the impact of the project
Questions & Comments