

City of Capitola

City Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 24, 2025 – 6:00 PM



City Council Chambers

420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010

Mayor: Joe Clarke

Vice Mayor: Alexander Pedersen

Council Members: Gerry Jensen, Margaux Morgan, Melinda Orbach

Regular Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 6 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Gerry Jensen, Margaux Morgan, Melinda Orbach, Alexander Pedersen, and Mayor Joe Clarke

2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

3. Presentations

Presentations are limited to eight minutes.

A. Presentation from the Cabrillo College Stroke & Disability Learning Center

4. Additional Materials

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A. Item 7D - Corrected Exhibit to Budget Amendment Resolution

B. Item 8C - Correspondence Received

5. Oral Communications by Members of the Public

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6. Staff / City Council Comments

Comments are limited to three minutes.

7. Consent Items

All items listed as “Consent Items” will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to the time the Council votes on the action unless members of the City Council request specific items to be discussed for separate review. Items pulled for separate discussion will be considered following General Government. Note that all Ordinances which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and further reading waived.

A. City Council Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve minutes from the regular meeting on April 10, 2025, and the special meeting on April 17, 2025.

B. Liability Claims

Recommended Action: Deny liability claims from the following claimants: Kevin Smith, Jianyu (Catherine) Duan, EFC, Cynthia Rae Diola, Jeffrey S. Hines, The Estate of Helen Maureen Hines, and The Helen Maureen Hines Revocable Trust.

C. Designation of Loading Zone on 47th Avenue

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution establishing a temporary loading zone on 47th Avenue adjacent to Jade Street Park.

D. Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Refinement

Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$75,642 for public outreach and conceptual design refinement for the Bay Avenue Corridor Project; and adopt a resolution approving an amendment to the FY 2024-25 Budget.

8. General Government / Public Hearings

All items listed in “General Government / Public Hearings” are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion of each item listed. The following procedure pertains to each General Government item: 1) Staff explanation; 2) Council questions; 3) Public comment; 4) Council deliberation; 5) Decision.

A. Appointments to City Advisory Bodies

Recommended Action: Appoint members of the public to the City’s Art and Cultural Commission and Commission on the Environment.

B. Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)

Recommended Action: Receive an informational presentation on the City of Capitola’s participation in the 2025 Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP).

C. 41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements

Recommended Action: Receive report and provide input on the 41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements Project.

9. Adjournment - *The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on May 8, 2025, at 6:00 PM.*

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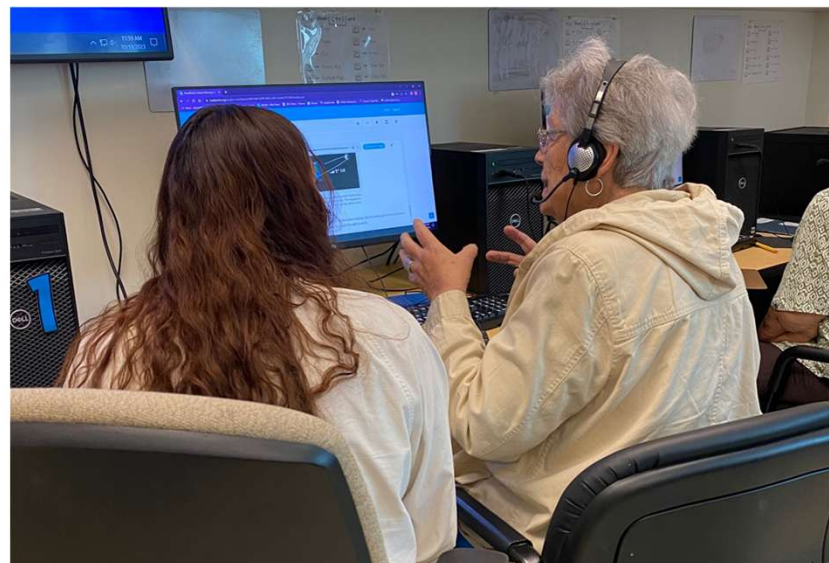
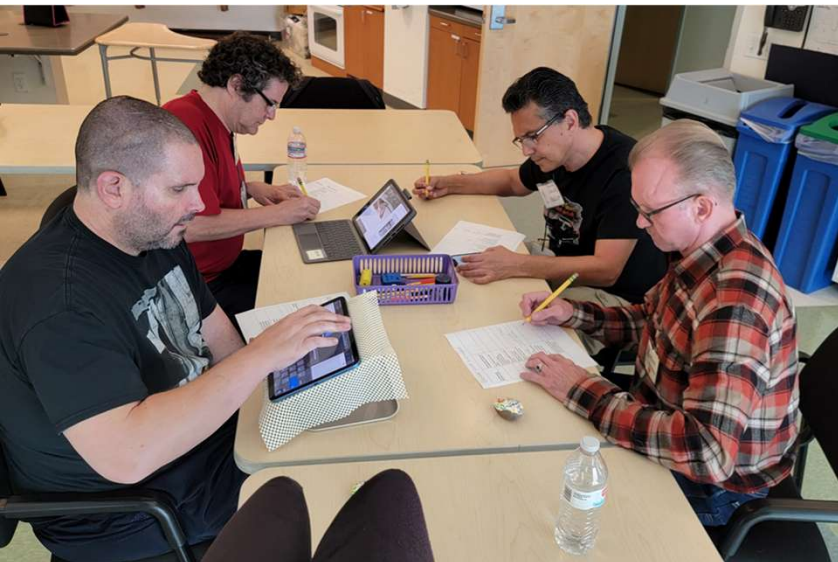
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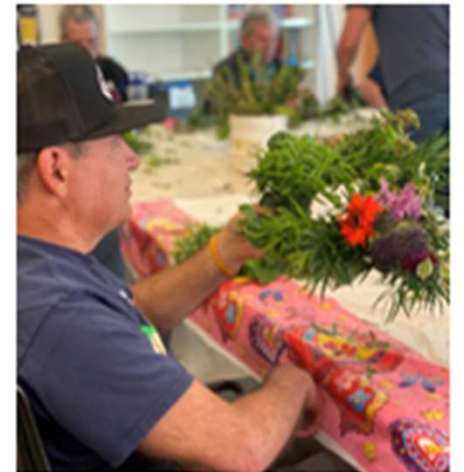


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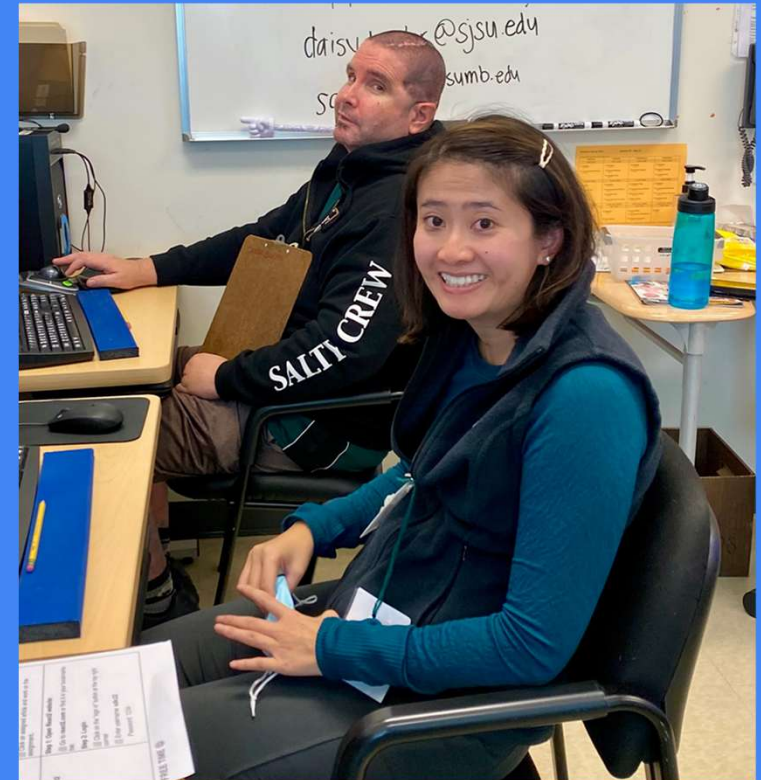
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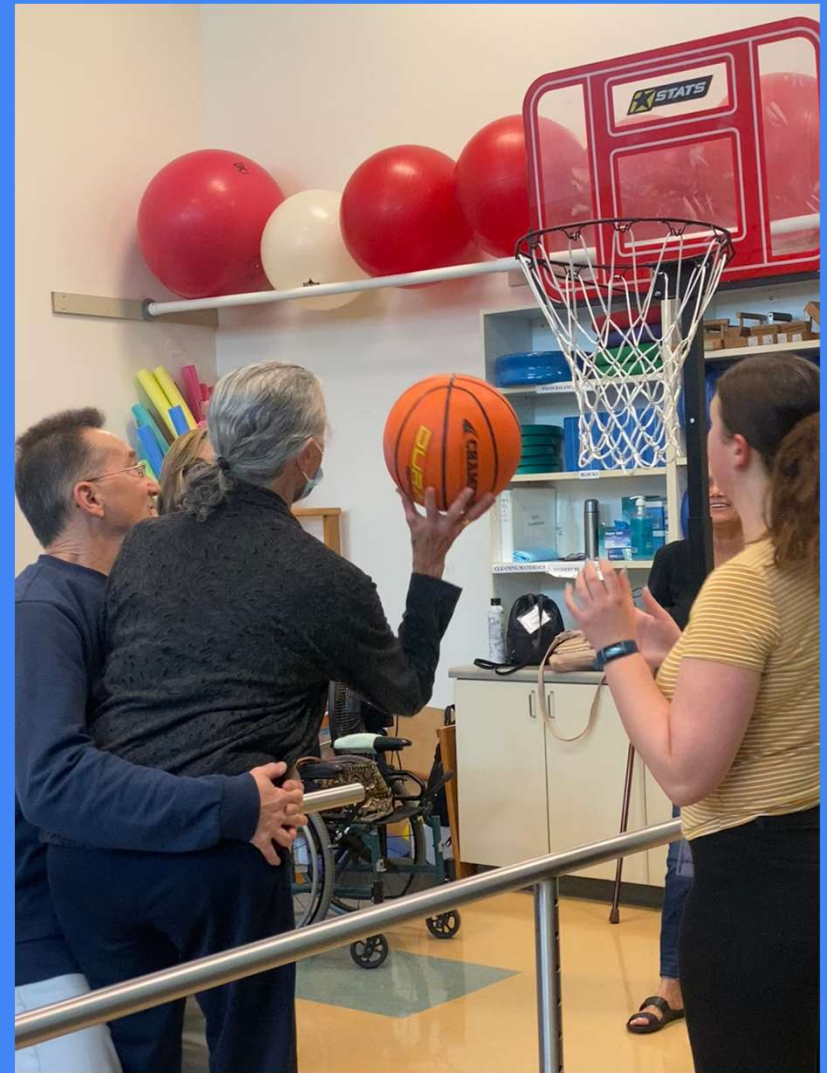
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Hands Project:

Aphasia, Communication, & Growth

Student Collaboration:

Art Photography
& Stroke & Disability
Learning Center



Program Impact

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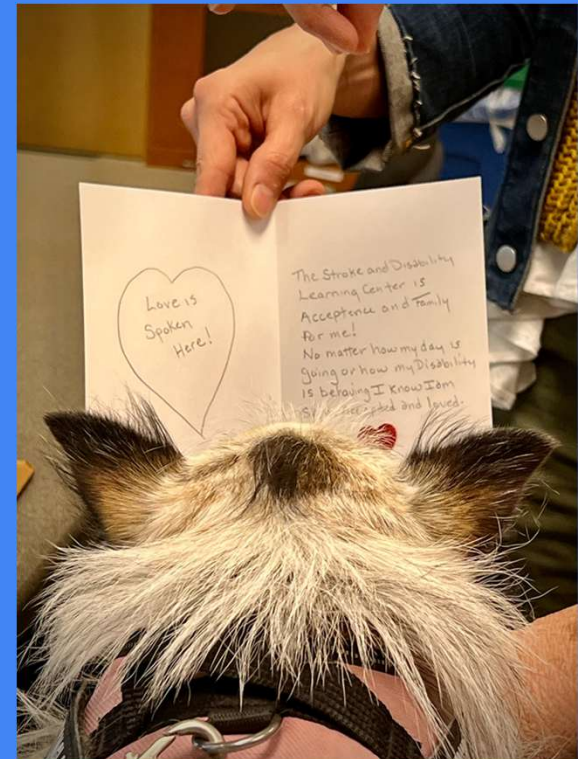
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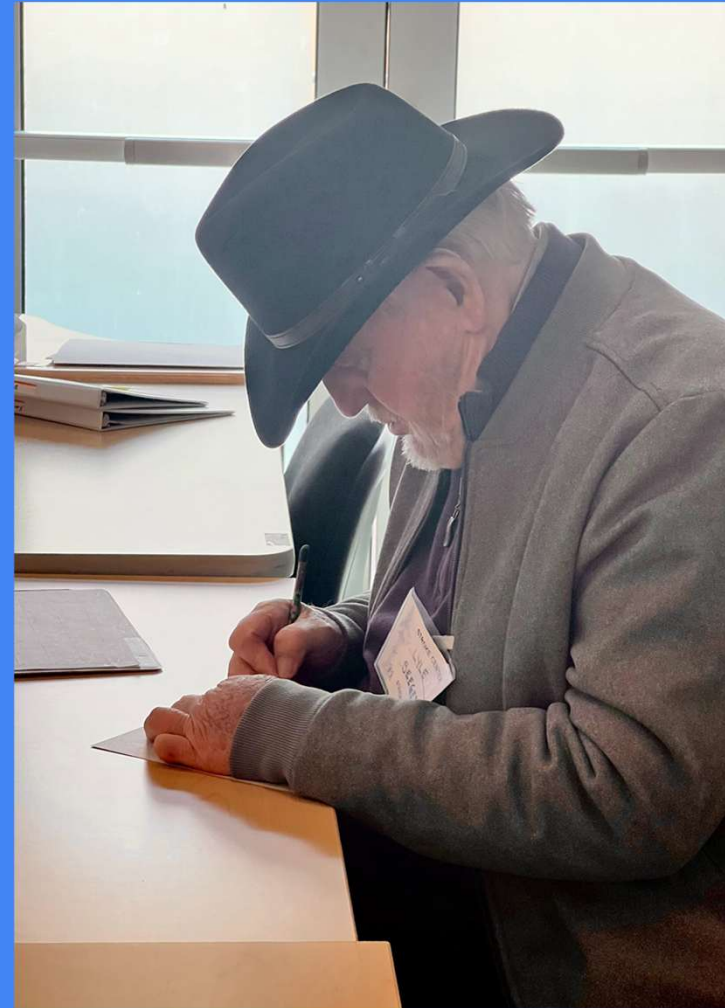


Student statements

- ❑ Thank you for your commitment to the SDLC.
How great this program is and encourages me to pursue healing after discharge so after three semesters, I have to say it's more than I could have hoped for and would recommend it for everyone that has had a stroke or TBI. SDLC is a dedicated community of support, caring, and love

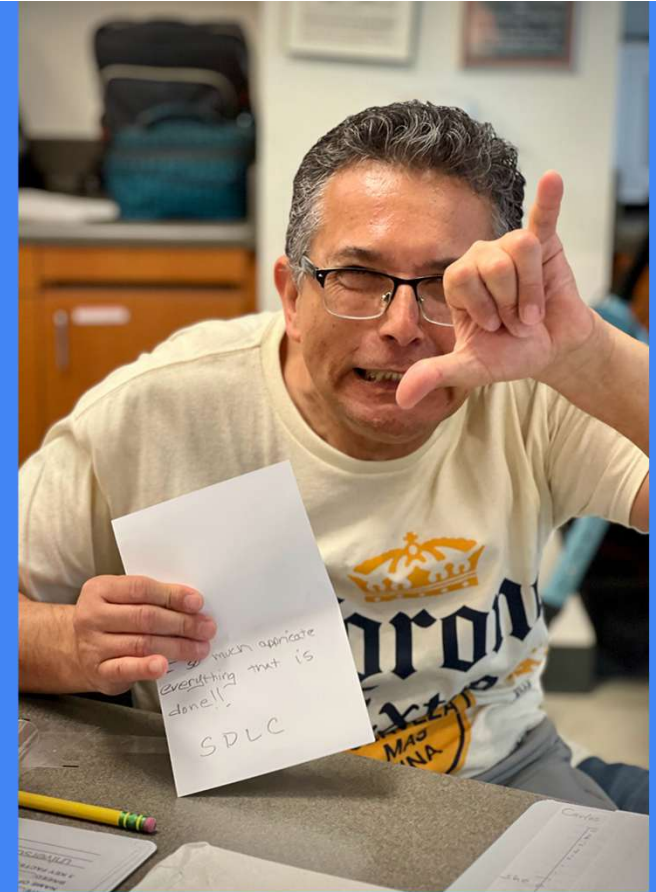
Student statements

- ❑ Thank you for your support in giving us a place to look forward to coming to, building community, socializing, learning, and laughing in. A most heartfelt thanks to you all



Student statements

- ❑ The Stroke and Disability Learning Center is Acceptance and Family for me. No matter how my disability is behaving, I know I am safe, accepted and loved.



How the grant is applied

SDLC staff (all part-time):

- ☐ 1 Instructional Assistant - mobility
- ☐ 1 Instructional Assistant - communication
- ☐ 1 Program Coordinator

- ☐ 3 Faculty & 1 Associate Faculty
- ☐ Volunteers & Interns
- ☐ 1 Director



SDLC is not just for adults with disabilities.

The work is for all of us:

- Nursing Students
- Dental Hygiene students
- Interns
- Campus Collaborations
- Caregivers
- Donors
- Providers
- Community

THANK YOU!
- and a warm welcome to tour the center





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Memo

To: Julia Gautho, City Clerk
From: Jim Malberg, Finance Director
Date: April 24, 2025
Re: Budget Amendment – Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and
Concept Refinement

The Agenda Packet for the April 24, 2025, City Council Meeting inadvertently included an incorrect budget amendment that was added to agenda item 7 D. Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Refinement.

The correct budget amendment is attached.

Attachment: Budget Amendment



Budget Adjustment Request

Date

04/18/2025

Requesting Department *

Public Works

Type of Adjustment

- ☐ Administrative
☒ Council

Item #
Council Date

April 24, 2025

Council Approval

Revenues

Account Number	Account Description	Increase/Decrease
1200-00-00-000-3910.100	Transfer In - General Fund	\$83,000.00

Total Revenues

\$83,000.00

Expenditures

Account Number	Account Description	Increase/Decrease
1000-00-00-000-4910.200	Transfer Out - CIP	\$83,000.00
1200-00-00-000-4390.100	Project Services-Construction	\$83,000.00

Total Expenditures

\$166,000.00

Net Impact

-\$83,000.00

Purpose

Transfer of \$83,000 to increase the budget for the Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Refinement project.

Department Head Approval

Jessica Kahn

Finance Director Approval

Jim Malberg

City Manager Approval

Wyatt, Rosie

From: John Mulry <jxmuly@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 18, 2025 3:50 PM
To: City Council; Gautho, Julia; Goldstein, Jamie (jgoldstein@ci.capitola.ca.us)
Subject: Item 8c

Hello Neighbors

Rightsize the lanes to 10.5ft not 11-12ft and the drivers will stay below 40mph while increasing the ROW you have to work with throughout the project. Perceived and actual friction is real and drivers only care about their cars and how fast they can get places for the most part.

100% support regardless. My resources will be put behind this and we know how those stories end these days. My desired outcomes are the outcomes.

This is the bike infrastructure we actually need. ROI will be fantastic.

Warmly JM

Wyatt, Rosie

From: Routh, Michael <qwakwak@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 18, 2025 8:02 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Item 8C

Council members,

Since you will be discussing 41st Ave, please consider this.

If you spend any time at the West bound Cap Rd / 41st intersection at Wells Fargo Bank, you will very likely not observe any pedestrians crossing Cap Rd between the Chevron Station and Wells Fargo in either direction, but you will observe frequent pedestrian crossings going west or east across 41st between the BofA and Wells Fargo.

The stated purpose of the NO RIGHT TURN ON RED prohibition from west bound Cap Rd to north bound 41st was to stop potential pedestrian / vehicle conflicts. Unfortunately, the good faith attempt to improve pedestrian safety has had the opposite effect. The multiple east & west bound pedestrian crossings on the green light are now in conflict with people making a right turn onto 41st which is only allowed on the same green light. In addition, it takes one or two pedestrians to completely back up the right lane, sometimes through a complete light cycle. This creates impatience in the drivers queued up wanting to turn right and causes more potential close calls with pedestrians. It also causes drivers to cut through the Whole Foods parking lot rather than sit through 2 light cycles (about 6 min). There are also numerous cars making right turns on red despite the prohibition, which is further evidence the right turn prohibition is useless.

If the NO RIGHT TURN ON RED sign were removed, cars wanting to turn right could do so with no pedestrians crossing 41st at the same time, eliminating all those potential car vs pedestrian conflicts. Other than the extremely rare east or west crossing of Cap Rd, it would eliminate many of the potential car vs pedestrian conflicts at that intersection.

Go spend a hour observing that intersection in the middle of the day. You will see my observations are correct. Common sense dictates the NO RIGHT TURN ON RED sign should be removed and would have no impact on pedestrian safety.

Mick Routh

Sent from my iPad

Gautho, Julia

From: John <jxmuly@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2025 5:17 PM
To: City Council; Goldstein, Jamie (jgoldstein@ci.capitola.ca.us)
Subject: Item 8C

MR was blacklisted in 1946 by Ike himself. Just saying. Right on red should be the rarity not the default for our intersections. Folks always in such a hurry because driving in a cage is rough/ I get it. I build walkability into my life. Even in LA I barely drove. Good chat.

Warmly JM

Gautho, Julia

From: Clark Cochran <clark.e.cochran@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 22, 2025 8:56 PM
To: City Council
Subject: 41st Avenue Repaving Consideration

Capitola Mayor and City Council -

As a resident in the Jewel Box I live with this issue multiple times daily. I strongly urge you to remove the no right turn on red sign on Capitola Avenue at 41st Avenue. There are pedestrians crossing 41st but the back up that sign causes has a constant major impact for all traffic at that intersection. Very often there are no pedestrians crossing but it still takes two traffic lights to turn right on to 41st. The back up extends beyond the parking area exits for Wells Fargo, Whole Foods, and CVS and blocks those drivers from turning onto Capitola even if they are trying to turn left on 41st. This unnecessary delay causes me to consider turning through that parking lot just to avoid the backup. As the backup increases with increased traffic this option will become more tempting. This sign causes an unnecessary backup at that intersection that greatly overshadows any pedestrian crossing concerns. Please remove it when 41st Avenue is repaved.

- Clark Cochran
4530 Garnet Street
Capitola

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: City Manager Department

Subject: City Council Meeting Minutes



Recommended Action: Approve minutes from the regular meeting on April 10, 2025, and the special meeting on April 17, 2025.

Background: Attached for City Council review and approval are the draft minutes from the regular meeting on April 10th and the special meeting on April 17th.

Attachments:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes 4/10/2025
2. Special Meeting Minutes 4/17/2025

Report Prepared By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager

City of Capitola

City Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 10, 2025 – 6:00 PM



City Council Chambers

420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010

Mayor: Joe Clarke

Vice Mayor: Alexander Pedersen

Council Members: Gerry Jensen, Margaux Morgan, Melinda Orbach

Closed Session – 5:30 PM

- i. **LIABILITY CLAIMS** (Gov't Code § 54956.95)
 Claimants: Kevin Smith, Jianyu (Catherine) Duan, EFC, Cynthia Rae Diola, Jeffrey S. Hines, The Estate of Helen Maureen Hines, The Helen Maureen Hines Revocable Trust
 Agency Claimed Against: City of Capitola

Regular Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 6 PM

1. **Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance** – *The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM. In attendance: Council Members Jensen, Morgan, Orbach, Vice Mayor Pedersen, and Mayor Clarke.*
2. **Additions and Deletions to the Agenda** – *None*
3. **Presentations**
 - A. *Mayor Clarke presented a proclamation honoring April 2025 as Arts, Culture, and Creativity Month to Roy Holmberg, Capitola Art and Cultural Commissioner, and Jim Brown, Executive Director of the Arts Council of Santa Cruz County.*
4. **Report on Closed Session** – *The City Council met and discussed one item on the closed session agenda. No reportable action was taken.*
5. **Additional Materials**
 - A. *Item 9A – Fourteen emails received after publication of the agenda packet.*
 - B. *Item 9B – One email received after publication of the agenda packet.*
 - C. *Item 9C - Three emails received after publication of the agenda packet.*
6. **Oral Communications by Members of the Public**
 - Gayle Ortiz
 - Sam Storey
 - Steven Woodside
 - Bud Colligan
 - Terre Thomas
 - Leslie Neilsen
 - Elizabeth Bertrand
 - Matt Arthur
 - Rodney Wartzok
 - Lynn Jackson

- Mike Morrissey
- Kevin Maguire
- Goran Klepic
- Dave Fox
- Enrique Dolmo

7. Staff / City Council Comments

- Police Chief Ryan introduced Officer Roger Schwingel and announced the retirement of Captain Kilroy. Captain Kilroy provided remarks to the City Council.
- Community Service and Recreation Director Bryant advised the Council and the public of an online survey regarding pickleball use in the City.
- Council Member Pedersen advised the public that the southbound offramp at Park Avenue will be closed for 6 months beginning on April 17th.
- Mayor Clarke requested that staff add a report on Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 8.72 to the Special Meeting Agenda on April 17th.

8. Consent Items

A. City Council Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve minutes from the regular meeting on March 27, 2025, and the special meeting on April 2, 2025.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar: Council Member Morgan

Second: Council Member Orbach

Voting Yea: Council Members Jensen, Morgan, Orbach, Vice Mayor Pedersen, Mayor Clarke

9. General Government / Public Hearings

A. Grand Avenue Pathway

Recommended Action: Receive a report on recent bluff failure and provide direction to staff on the next steps to address pathway safety and public access on the Grand Avenue Pathway.

Public Works Director Kahn presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

- Dave Fox
- Mike Morrissey
- Stan Ketner
- Tom Parker

The City Council expressed appreciation for the Depot Hill pathway and concern for the current safety conditions of the pathway. The Council discussed the formation of a neighborhood steering committee to review options for the continued use for the community pathway, to be led by a member of the community (Paul Estey). The Council requested that this item return to the City Council in six months to review costs for options for permanent closure, relocation without engineering, relocation with engineering, drainage, encroachment removal, grant opportunities, and community input.

The City Council took a recess from 7:45 PM and reconvened at 7:50 PM.

B. Filtered Tobacco Products

Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff on whether to prepare a draft ordinance on the prohibition on the sale of filtered tobacco products for City Council consideration.

Public Works Director Kahn, and Tara Leonard, Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency, presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

- **Katie Thompson, Executive Director of Save Our Shores**
- **Speaker**
- **Neal Savage**
- **Ardeep**
- **Taylor Lane**
- **Dani Madon**
- **Speaker**
- **Matt Arthur**
- **Speaker**

The City Council thanked the public speakers and the presenters for their comments. The Council expressed support for an ordinance prohibiting the sale of filtered tobacco products within the City. The Council urged impacted business owners to work with City staff and other organizations to mitigate impacts. The Council directed staff to return with a draft ordinance to amend Chapter 5.3 of the Municipal Code.

C. E-Bike Safety

Recommended Action: Receive report regarding existing City e-bike safety initiatives and direct the Mayor to sign a letter regarding proposed State legislation for e-bike safety to Representatives Dawn Addis, Gail Pellerin, and Senator John Laird.

City Manager Goldstein and Police Chief Ryan presented the staff report.

Public Comments:

- **Speaker**
- **Speaker**

The City Council expressed support for statewide legislation for electric bicycles and discussed potential age limitations for riders.

Motion to direct the Mayor to sign a letter to the legislature as proposed by staff with the modification to Section 2 to include language that allows permitting by the DMV, online, or other: Vice Mayor Pedersen

Second: Council Member Orbach

Voting Yea: Council Members Jensen, Morgan, Orbach, Vice Mayor Pedersen, Mayor Clarke

10. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 9:26 PM. The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on April 24, 2025, at 6:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Joe Clarke, Mayor

Julia Gautho, City Clerk

City of Capitola

Special City Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 17, 2025 – 5:15 PM



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Council Members: Gerry Jensen, Margaux Morgan, Melinda Orbach

Special Meeting of the Capitola City Council – 5:15 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – *The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM. In attendance: Council Members Jensen, Morgan, Orbach, Vice Mayor Pedersen, and Mayor Clarke.*

2. Additional Materials

A. *Item 3A – 77 emails received after publication of the agenda packet.*

B. *Item 3B - 120 emails received after publication of the agenda packet.*

3. General Government / Public Hearings

A. Chapter 8.72 of the Capitola Municipal Code
Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff.

City Attorney Zutler and City Manager Goldstein provided a staff report.

Public Comments (Speaker cards accepted until 6:02 PM):

- **Elisabeth Bertrand**
- **Mary Beth Cahalen**
- **TJ**
- **Teresa M.**
- **Mike Morrissey**
- **Chris Amsden**
- **Kevin M.**
- **Leslie Nielsen**
- **Marie Martorella**
- **Rafa Sonnenfeld**
- **Lucinda Eubanks**
- **Gayle Ortiz**
- **Rodney Wartzok**
- **David Dean**
- **Tom McGlashen**
- **Scott Rohlf**
- **Brad Todd**
- **Mary Odegard**
- **Daniel Castagnola**
- **Ed Spurr**

- **David Casterson**
- **Margaret Campodonico**
- **Kyle H.**
- **Beatrice Campbell**
- **Lani Faulkner**
- **Brian Peoples**
- **Cheryl Ban**
- **Lynn Jackson**
- **John**
- **Veronica Elsea**
- **Ryan Sarnataro**
- **Mike Sherman**
- **Jack Brown**
- **Matt Arthur**
- **Mick Routh**
- **Mark Crain**
- **Steven Woodside**
- **Kevin Menninger**
- **Tory Del Favero**

The Council took a recess at 6:55 PM and reconvened at 7:05 PM.

The City Council thanked the public for their commentary; discussed the importance of the Council’s oath of office; voiced concerns about Municipal Code Chapter 8.72 in the context of the County-wide Rail Trail Project and lack of control over aspects of the project outside of the City’s jurisdiction.

***Motion to direct staff to follow Municipal Code Chapter 8.72 to the fullest extent possible:
Council Member Jensen***

Second: Council Member Morgan

Vice Mayor Pedersen requested clarification as to which interpretation of Chapter 8.72 (as outlined in the staff presentation) Council Member Jensen intended.

Council Member Jensen amended his motion to clarify that the interpretation for staff to follow is Option 2 (as outlined in the staff presentation) with the modification that the City can construct and maintain its streets, sidewalks, and bike paths as the City Council sees fit and striking the phrase “provided City does not affirmatively promote a detour of the trail.”

Council Member Morgan accepted the motion amendment.

Voting Yea: Council Members Jensen, Morgan, Orbach, Vice Mayor Pedersen, Mayor Clarke

B. Park Avenue Alignment of the Coastal Rail Trail (Segments 10 & 11)

Recommended Action: Discuss and provide direction to staff regarding the Park Avenue alignment for the Coastal Rail Trail Segments 10 and 11.

Public Works Director Kahn provided a staff report.

Public Comments (Speaker cards accepted until 7:55 PM):

- **Peggy**
- **Leslie Nielsen**
- **Rafa Sonnenfeld**

- **Coni Welch**
- **Scott Rohlf**
- **Kaki Rusmore**
- **Brenda Garcia**
- **Nico**
- **Veronica Elsea**
- **Liz McDade**
- **Tom Brady**
- **Mark Crain**
- **Ariel Gray**
- **Kitty Hansen**
- **Elliott Campbell**
- **Mel Vento**
- **Valerie Mishkin**
- **Brian Peoples**
- **Jacques Bertrand**
- **Lynn Jackson**
- **Cheryl Ban**
- **Laurie Hill**
- **Mike Sherman**
- **David Steinman**
- **Christine McBroom**
- **Matt Arthur**
- **Mackenzie Cameron**
- **Stephanie Auld**
- **Jessica Guild**
- **Jonah Henry**
- **TJ Welch**
- **Mary Beth Cahalen**
- **Lani Faulkner**
- **Aiden Hosler**
- **Lowell Hurst**
- **Mary Odegaard**
- **Jocelyn Wolf**
- **Elizabeth Bertrand**
- **Speaker**
- **Stacey Croft**
- **David Casterson**
- **Mike Morrissey**
- **David Dean**
- **Keith Cahalen**
- **Alan Edgar**
- **Barry Scott**
- **Steven Woodside**
- **Chris Amsden**

The Council took a recess at 9:12 PM and reconvened at 9:16 PM.

The City Council thanked the public for their commentary, addressed Capitola’s values of inclusivity as outlined in the recently adopted Strategic Plan,

Based on the Council action taken in Item 3A, the City Council directed staff to work with the SCCRTC to discuss that the Park Avenue alignment proposed was not consistent with Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 8.72.

- 4. Adjournment** - *The meeting adjourned at 9:31 PM. The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on April 24, 2025, at 6:00 PM.*

ATTEST:

Joe Clarke, Mayor

Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: Public Works Department

Subject: Designation of Loading Zone on 47th Avenue



Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution establishing a temporary loading zone on 47th Avenue adjacent to Jade Street Park.

Background: Due to ongoing construction at the Capitola Community Center, access to the facility's main parking lot is limited. The Community Services and Recreation Department's summer camp programming, which typically utilizes the Community Center and adjacent park space, will be relocated to outdoor areas near the undeveloped portion of Jade Street Park along 47th Avenue.

To facilitate safe and efficient drop-off and pick-up of campers, staff recommends designating a temporary loading zone on 47th Avenue during camp operations.

Discussion: The proposed loading zone would be located on the west side of 47th Avenue, adjacent to the undeveloped section of Jade Street Park. This location provides direct access to the summer camp activity area while avoiding conflicts with construction and parking limitations. This temporary measure is intended to prioritize child safety and streamline traffic flow during the busy summer camp season.

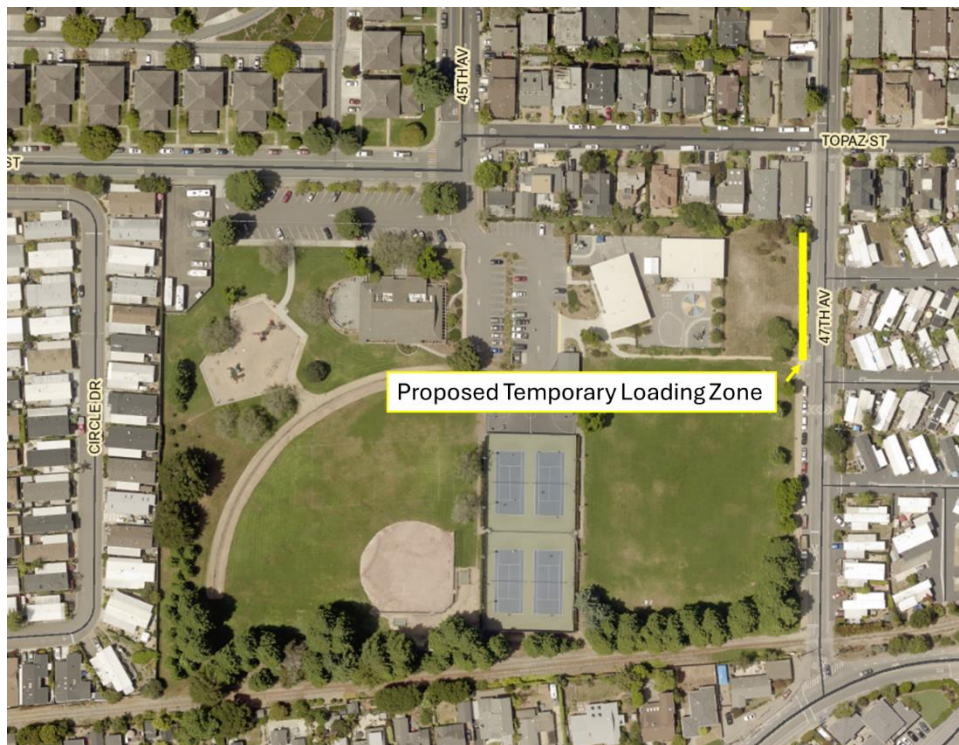
The loading zone would operate:

- Monday through Friday
- 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- June 8 through August 1, 2025

Public Works staff will install temporary signage and paint the curb to mark the zone. After August 1, all markings and signage will be removed, and the area will return to regular use.

This temporary loading zone is being established in accordance with Capitola Municipal Code §10.36.310, which authorizes the City Council to designate loading zones by resolution.





Fiscal Impact: All work will be completed by Public Works staff using existing materials and within the current Streets Division budget

.Attachments:

1. Resolution

Report Prepared By: Jessica Kahn, Public Works Director

Reviewed By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. _____**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPITOLA
ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY LOADING ZONE ON 47TH AVENUE**

WHEREAS, Capitola Municipal Code Section 10.36.310 authorizes the City Council to designate loading zones by resolution; and

WHEREAS, construction at the Capitola Community Center has limited access to the site's primary parking area; and

WHEREAS, Capitola Recreation's summer camp program will be relocated to outdoor areas near the undeveloped portion of Jade Street Park for the summer of 2025; and

WHEREAS, establishing a loading zone on the west side of 47th Avenue adjacent to Jade Street Park will facilitate safe and orderly pick-up and drop-off of children participating in the summer camp program; and

WHEREAS, the temporary loading zone will operate from June 8 through August 1, 2025, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM, and will be signed and marked by the City's Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, the loading zone will be removed upon conclusion of the summer camp program and all temporary signage and curb markings will be restored to their original condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Capitola hereby establishes a temporary loading zone on the west side of 47th Avenue adjacent to the undeveloped portion of Jade Street Park, to be in effect from June 8 through August 1, 2025, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Works Department is authorized to install and remove all signage and curb markings necessary to implement this resolution.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Capitola on the 24th day of April 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

[Mayor], Mayor

ATTEST:

Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: Public Works Department

Subject: Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Refinement



Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$75,642 for public outreach and conceptual design refinement for the Bay Avenue Corridor Project; and adopt a resolution approving an amendment to the FY 2024-25 Budget.

Background: The Bay Avenue Corridor is a major arterial linking Highway 1 to Capitola Village and other key destinations. It serves high volumes of vehicle traffic, supports regional circulation, and accommodates multiple transportation modes, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders. However, the corridor faces longstanding challenges related to congestion, multimodal safety, and access at several key intersections.

In 2024, the City implemented a quick-build project at the intersection of Bay Avenue and Hill Street to evaluate a potential “road diet” and traffic calming measures. Feedback from that pilot project, combined with detailed engineering analysis, informed the Bay Avenue Corridor Study, completed by Kimley-Horn in early 2025.

At the February 13, 2025, City Council meeting, staff presented the final corridor study results and three long-term alternatives for corridor improvements. Following review of the alternatives, the Council selected the roundabout control alternative (Alternative 2) as the preferred long-term solution and directed staff to proceed with public outreach and conceptual design refinement as the next steps in project development.

Based on Council direction and PG&E's timeline for undergrounding utilities at the Bay Avenue and Capitola Avenue* intersection, the project is prioritizing the Bay Avenue and Hill Street intersection for near-term design advancement. While the quick-build improvements at Bay Avenue and Hill Street have provided valuable insights, the goal is to transition the intersection to a construction-ready state ahead of the Bay Avenue and Capitola Avenue* intersection.

In both locations, Staff is conducting early outreach with adjacent property owners to understand and mitigate potential impacts. This includes identifying easement needs and coordinating around loading zones, delivery operations, and general site access. These conversations will inform the design process and help ensure that the final improvements support both corridor function and adjacent land uses.

Discussion: To move the project forward, staff solicited a scope and fee proposal from Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., the firm responsible for the corridor study and already familiar with the corridor's unique transportation context, community feedback, and engineering constraints.

The proposed contract includes the following scope of services:

1. Traffic Data Collection – New data will be collected at seven intersections to capture weekday school drop-off/pick-up periods and a Saturday summer festival. This includes 24-hour traffic volume and speed counts and multimodal turning movement counts (vehicles, bikes, pedestrians).
2. Corridor Concept Refinement – CAD-based schematic plans will illustrate complete street improvements for all modes. A first round of concepts will support public outreach; a second round will reflect community feedback.
3. Initial Right-of-Way (ROW) Analysis – Preliminary exhibits will identify potential ROW impacts and easement needs at the Bay/Hill and Bay/Capitola roundabout locations.

4. Public Outreach and Stakeholder Coordination – Up to four meetings will be conducted:
 - a. Residents at the Bay Avenue Senior Apartments;
 - b. Businesses and property owners at Bay/Capitola and Bay/Hill; and
 - c. General public community meeting(s).
5. Online Community Survey – A digital survey will be available for up to three months, accessible via QR codes and direct links, to gather broader community input.
6. Technical Memorandum and City Council Presentation – A memo will summarize outreach results, and Kimley-Horn will present findings and refined concepts at one City Council meeting.

Optional Task

7. Online Outreach Map – An interactive map-based platform using PublicCoordinate™ is available as an optional tool to support public engagement. While not recommended for inclusion in the base scope, it may be added later if there is strong community interest or additional outreach needs. The map would allow public comment, alternative comparison, and integrated survey access.

Fiscal Impact: The base scope of work (Tasks 1–6) totals \$75,150. An optional task (Task 7: Online Outreach Map) is available for an additional \$7,560, bringing the potential total contract value to \$82,710 if later authorized. While not included in the base scope, the optional task has been included as a contingency should expanded outreach be desired.

Funds are available in FY 2024–25 due to the receipt of \$126,000 of unanticipated additional revenues during FY 2023-24 that were not included in the Adopted FY 2024-25 budget. If approved, a budget amendment in the amount of \$83,000 is attached to transfer the funding from the General Fund to the CIP.

Completing this work will position the City to pursue grants from the Active Transportation Program (ATP), Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), and regional sources through the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC). Advancing the project to a "shelf-ready" state will enhance future grant competitiveness.

Attachments:

1. Kimley-Horn Proposal
2. Resolution
3. Budget Amendment

Report Prepared By: Jessica Kahn, Public Works Director;

Reviewed By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk; Jim Malberg, Finance Director; Samantha Zutler, City Attorney

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager

**This report was edited 4/21/2025 at 10:00 AM to correct Capitola Avenue from Capitola Road.*

March 25, 2025

Jessica Kahn
Public Works Director
City of Capitola
420 Capitola Ave.
Capitola, CA 95010

Subject: Proposal for Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach & Concept Refinement

Dear Jessica,

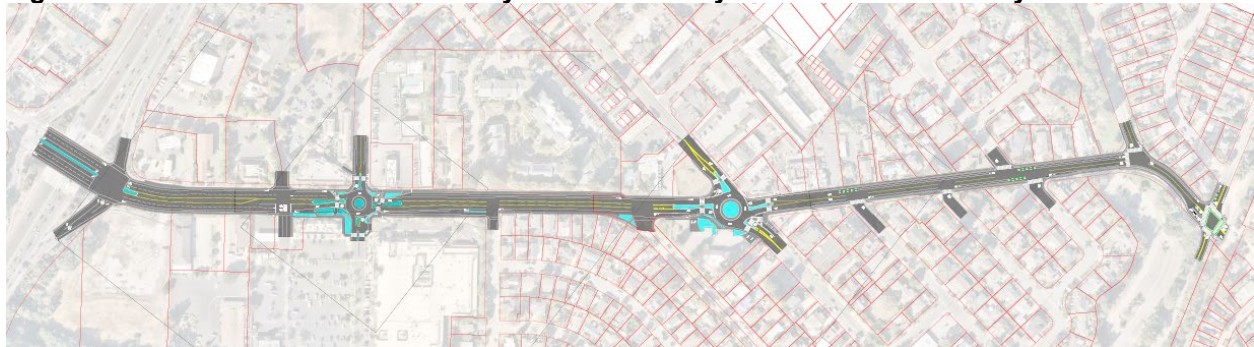
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (“Kimley-Horn” or “Consultant”) is pleased to submit this letter agreement (the “Agreement”) to the City of Capitola (“Client”) for providing on-call traffic engineering and civil design services per the Master Professional Services Agreement dated September 23, 2021 which is incorporated herein by reference. The following outlines our scope of services for this project.

Project Understanding

The City retained Kimley-Horn in 2024 to conduct a corridor safety and traffic analysis study of Bay Avenue between Highway 1 to Park Avenue. The Bay Avenue corridor study investigated feasible long-term roadway and intersection improvements that could enhance traffic operations and safety for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians. The corridor study analysis encompasses the effort of several ongoing transportation projects in the City including the quick-build improvements at the Bay Avenue and Hill Street intersection and engineering support for PG&E undergrounding at the Bay Avenue and Capitola Avenue intersection.

In February 2025, Kimley-Horn presented the corridor study findings and recommendations to Council for project next steps. The council approved the recommendation to pursue the roundabout alternative for Bay Avenue and provided direction to conduct public outreach and refine the corridor concept layouts. The results and deliverables of these tasks would be used to advance the planning and design phases of the Bay Avenue corridor project to be “shelf-ready” towards the application and pursuit of future grant opportunities.

Figure 1 – Alternative 2 Roundabout Layout from the Bay Avenue Corridor Study



Scope of Services

Task 1: Traffic Data Collection

Kimley-Horn will coordinate with city staff and a subconsultant to collect additional traffic data during the following conditions:

- School time drop-off/pickup data collection before the 2024-2025 school year is over
- Weekend data collection for a festival weekend (Saturday) in summer 2025

The traffic data collection will include speed counts, average daily traffic, and intersection turning movement counts for vehicles, bikes, and pedestrians at the following locations analyzed in the Bay Avenue Corridor Study.

- Intersection turning movement count locations:
 1. Bay Avenue / Highway 1 NB Ramps (Signal)
 2. Bay Avenue / Highway 1 SB Ramps (Signal)
 3. Bay Avenue / Crossroads Loop (Minor Stop)
 4. Bay Avenue / Hill Street (All Way Stop)
 5. Bay Avenue / Capitola Avenue (All Way Stop)
 6. Bay Avenue / Monterey Avenue (All Way Stop)
 7. Monterey Avenue / Park Avenue (All Way Stop)
- 24-Hour Roadway ADT and Speed Count locations:
 1. Bay Avenue 100-ft south of Center Street
 2. Bay Avenue 100-ft north of Del Monte Avenue

Task 2: Corridor Concept Refinement

Kimley-Horn will refine the preferred corridor layout for public outreach use and review with City staff. The corridor and roundabout concept refinements will be comprised of CAD drawings illustrating proposed complete street improvements along Bay Avenue, and the refined layouts will identify a set of complete street pedestrian and bicycle improvement recommendations.

- A first round of concept refinement will be prepared for public outreach materials
- A second round of concept refinement will be prepared to reflect input and comments from the public outreach tasks.

Kimley-Horn will utilize as-built data if available to develop an AutoCAD schematic base map and aerial of the project study area. If existing as-built data is not available, the Consultant will utilize Nearmap high resolution scaled aerial imagery to prepare the existing base map. The existing base map would include existing roadway features including edge of pavement, sidewalk, pavement delineation, fencing/wall locations, and observable ground utilities.

It is assumed that the existing base map will be used to prepare concept layouts only, and it is assumed that the as-built data does not contain a full topographic survey of the right of way or existing surface features to complete PS&E construction design documents. If the preferred design requires additional topographic survey to develop the plans, Kimley-Horn can coordinate with a sub-consultant for an additional fee.

Task 3: Initial Right-Of-Way Analysis

Kimley-Horn will assist the City with preparing exhibits and an initial right-of-way analysis with the property owners that would be impacted by the proposed roundabout at the Bay/Hill and Bay/Capitola intersections. Based on the refined layouts in Task 2, the Consultant assumes the exhibits will provide preliminary

estimates of the ROW impact and estimate the number of easements needed at each corner of the intersection.

Task 4: Public Outreach and Stakeholder Coordination

A key strategy in building support for the project's goals and objectives is to engage stakeholders and community members closest to the project site and who will most benefit from the project.

The Consultant will prepare an outreach plan that will outline the public engagement strategy, activities, stakeholders, and workplan for this effort.

The Consultant will conduct up to four (4) focused stakeholder meetings and will work with the City to identify representatives from key stakeholder groups. The Consultant will coordinate with the City how to organize stakeholder group session attendees to provide a good balance of proponents and those we need to bring along to implement the project successfully. The Consultant will work with City staff to facilitate the meeting and will prepare materials including agendas, flyers, exhibits, and/or PowerPoint presentations.

For the stakeholder meetings, it is assumed the meeting will be facilitated in-person or virtually (online) by up to two (2) Kimley-Horn staff with support from City staff.

1. Outreach survey with Bay Ave Senior Community
2. Businesses & property owners adjacent to Bay / Capitola intersection
3. Businesses & property owners adjacent to Bay / Hill intersection
4. Open community meeting with public attendees

Task 5: Online Survey

An online survey will be developed by Kimley-Horn to obtain input as part of the community engagement and will remain open to the public for up to three (3) months. The Consultant will prepare a web link and QR code to allow individuals to take the survey on their own time. The survey will be hosted by SurveyMonkey or a similar tool, and the survey results will be processed to the City.

Task 6: Memo and City Council Presentation

Kimley-Horn will document the findings and results of the public outreach in a technical memorandum. We will submit an electronic copy of a draft memorandum to you for your review. The document will include a description of our process, assumptions, and results.

Kimley-Horn will present at up to one (1) City Council meeting to discuss the results of the public outreach efforts and refined concepts. The date of the council meeting is to be determined, and the presentation materials will consist of PowerPoint slide deck as well as graphics and tables from the community outreach tasks. The team will present the proposed project, data analysis, feedback from the community, and proposed improvements. It is assumed the meeting will be attended in-person by up to two (2) Kimley-Horn staff with support from City staff.

Optional Tasks

Task 7: Online Outreach Map with PublicCoordinate™

Pending direction from the client, Kimley-Horn will setup an online interactive map-based platform through *PublicCoordinate™* to share project information and gather feedback from the public. The tool would be setup to allow capabilities such as comment input, toggling between multiple project alternatives and base maps, creating web accessible maps, display project information, and apply survey link integration. The online tool will be hosted by Kimley-Horn, and the public comments will be processed to the City. It is assumed the tool will remain open to the public for up to six (6) months.

Additional Services

Any services not specifically provided for in the above scope will be billed as additional services and performed at our then current hourly rates.

Information Provided by the Client

We shall be entitled to rely on the completeness and accuracy of all information provided by the Client or the Client's consultants or representatives. The Client shall provide all information requested by Kimley-Horn during the project, including but not limited to the following:

- As-builts, survey data, and relevant project files
- Supporting documentation (meeting minutes with staff, review comments, etc.)

Schedule

We will provide our services as expeditiously as practicable to meet a mutually agreed upon schedule.

Fee and Expenses

Kimley-Horn and Associates will perform the service described in the Scope of Services on a labor fee plus expense basis. Labor fee will be billed on an hourly basis according to our then-current fees. The Client agrees to compensate Kimley-Horn for such services as follows:

Task Number and Name		Fee	Type
1	Traffic Data Collection (with subconsultant effort)	\$6,650	Not to exceed
2	Corridor Concept Refinement	\$25,010	Not to exceed
3	Initial Right-Of-Way Analysis	\$5,120	Not to exceed
4	Public Outreach and Stakeholder Coordination	\$16,040	Not to exceed
5	Online Survey	\$10,220	Not to exceed
6	Memo & City Council Presentation	\$12,110	Not to exceed
Total Labor Fee (no Optional Tasks)		\$75,150	
Optional Tasks			
7	Online Outreach Map with PublicCoordinate	\$7,560	Not to exceed
Total Labor Fee (with Optional Tasks)		\$82,710	

In addition to the labor fee, direct reimbursable expenses such as express delivery services, fees, air travel, and other direct expenses will be billed at 1.10 times cost. A percentage of labor fee will be added to each invoice to cover certain other expenses such as telecommunications, in-house reproduction, postage, supplies, project related computer time, and local mileage. Administrative time related to the project will be billed hourly. All permitting, application, and similar project fees will be paid directly by the Client. Should the Client request Kimley-Horn to advance any such project fees on the Client's behalf, a separate invoice for such fees, with a ten percent (10%) markup, will be immediately issued to and paid by the Client. Fees and expenses will be invoiced monthly based on the percentage of services performed as of the invoice date. Payment will be due within 30 days of the date of the invoice.

Payment will be due within 30 days of your receipt of the invoice and should include the invoice number and Kimley-Horn project number.

Closure

We appreciate the opportunity to provide these services to you. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.



Frederik Venter P.E.
#C64621
Senior Associate



Derek Wu P.E.
#C81401
Project Manager

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:
CITY OF CAPITOLA

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPITOLA
AMENDING THE 2024-25 FISCAL YEAR CITY BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM BUDGET**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adopt the 2024-25 Fiscal Year Budget for all City funds and Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted budget study sessions, heard and considered public comments, had modified and proposed a budget accordingly, and on June 27, 2024, adopted such budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025; and

WHAREAS, the City Council previously amended the FY 2024-25 Fiscal Year Budget on September 24, 2024, January 30, 2025, and February 27; and

WHEREAS, since the last budget amendment staff has identified the need to increase the budget \$83,000 for the Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Design; and

WHEREAS, The City received \$126,000 of unanticipated additional revenue in FY 2023-24 that is available for the project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to transfer \$83,000 from the general fund to the capital improvement fund and appropriate those funds for the Bay Avenue Corridor Public Outreach and Concept Design project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Capitola that the 2024-25 Fiscal Year Budget is hereby amended, including Exhibit A (Budget Amendment) to this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director is directed to enter the budget into the City's accounting records in accordance with appropriate accounting practices, and the City Manager, with the Finance Director's assistance, shall assure compliance therewith.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Capitola on the 24th day of April, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Joe Clarke, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julia Gautho, City Clerk



Budget Adjustment Request

Date

04/03/2025

Requesting Department *

Finance

Type of Adjustment

☒ Administrative

☐ Council

Revenues

Account Number	Account Description	Increase/Decrease

Total Revenues

\$0.00

Expenditures

Account Number	Account Description	Increase/Decrease
1000-30-30-301-4330.106	CS-Environmental Recycling Srvs	\$36,012.00

Total Expenditures

\$36,012.00

Net Impact

-\$36,012.00

Purpose

To add remaining budget for the Cal Recycle Edible Food Recovery Grant of \$75,000. The \$75,000 grant award was received May 2024 and as of May 2025 there is \$36,012 of remaining grant funding.

Department Head Approval

Jim Malberg

Finance Director Approval

Jim Malberg

City Manager Approval

Jamie Goldstein

Action History (all history times shown in Pacific Standard Time)

Submit	by Jim Malberg 4/3/2025 11:20:03 am (Budget Amendment Request Submitted)
Approve	by Jim Malberg 4/3/2025 11:20:09 am (Routed to Finance) <ul style="list-style-type: none">The task was assigned to Jim Malberg 4/3/2025 11:20:03 am
Approve (send to CM for approval)	by Jim Malberg 4/3/2025 11:20:29 am (Routed to Finance Director) <ul style="list-style-type: none">The task was assigned to Jim Malberg 4/3/2025 11:20:09 am
Approve (return to Finance for processing)	by Jamie Goldstein 4/18/2025 2:06:07 pm (Routed to CM for final approval) <ul style="list-style-type: none">The task was assigned to Jamie Goldstein 4/3/2025 11:20:29 am

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: City Manager Department

Subject: Appointments to City Advisory Bodies



Recommended Action: Appoint members of the public to the City's Art and Cultural Commission and Commission on the Environment.

Background: Members of the public are appointed to serve in a voluntary capacity on the City's advisory bodies for terms. When a member resigns before the end of their term, it creates an unscheduled vacancy. This necessitates that the Council make new appointments for the remainder of the member's term.

Applications for membership on advisory bodies are accepted year-round and are valid for one year. Members who are currently serving on advisory bodies were notified of their term expiration and invited to reapply to be reappointed.

The City Clerk's office received resignations from three members: one from the Art and Cultural Commission, one from the Commission on the Environment, and one from the Historical Museum Board.

CA Government Code 54974 requires that the City Clerk post a notice of unscheduled vacancy within 20 days of the vacancy and for at least 10 days. The Clerk's office published a legal notice advertising each of the unscheduled vacancies. Staff published the vacancy notices on the City website, on social media, and in the Santa Cruz Sentinel.

Discussion: Each of the City's advisory bodies is governed by relevant bylaws, which outline information about the appointment process of the group. More information concerning each group is listed below. Attachment 1 outlines the current composition of each group. Attachment 2 includes a link to all applications on file with the City Clerk's office received on or before the printing of this agenda packet.

Art and Cultural Commission: The Art and Cultural Commission (Commission) was originally established in 1984 and advises the City Council as to the allocation of public funds for the support and encouragement of existing and new programs in the arts, and for the acquisition of works of art, and to enhance the cultural climate of the City and foster public interest in the arts. Commission Bylaws (Resolution No. 4158) state that the Commission is composed of nine members: one City Council Member (Vice Mayor Clarke), one Planning Commissioner (Courtney Christiansen) [respectively chosen by a majority vote of each body], one artist or arts organization representative, one arts professional, and five at-large members. The Bylaws state that the Commission must review applications and provide a recommendation to the City Council for appointment. The Commission's current vacancy is for one at large position. There are currently ten (10) applications on file. The Commission has recommended the appointment of Enrique Dolmo, Kevin Maguire, or Leslie Jungemann.

Commission on the Environment: The Commission on the Environment (COE) was originally established in 2005 and provides advice and recommendations to the City Council on policy and funding matters relating to sustainability, environmental protection, climate action plan implementation and resource enhancement which benefit the City. COE Bylaws (Resolution No. 4373) state that the COE is composed of five members: a member of the City Council and four members appointed by the four City Council members who do not serve on the COE. There is one vacancy, and Council Member Orbach should appoint the successor. There are currently seven (7) applications on file.

Historical Museum Board: The Historical Museum Board (Board) was originally established in 1967 and promotes a program that will bring about better understanding and appreciation by the Capitola

community of its history, architecture, culture, technology, and its creative and natural environments. Board Bylaws (Resolution No. 4099) state that the Board is composed of seven members. The Bylaws state that the Commission must review applications and provide a recommendation to the City Council for appointment. There is one vacancy and there is currently two (2) applications on file. The Board has not made any recommendations at this time.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed action. Legal noticing costs for the vacancies amounted to approximately \$700.

Attachments:

1. Current List of Advisory Body Members
2. Applications:
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/fz7gttmk1ubx1tal7icwa/ABeBTms6St-musROjybP57s?rlkey=b5wxl9umzsyfo0ur1512stih&st=y7xkqt4i&dl=0>

Report Prepared By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager

CITY OF CAPITOLA

2025 Local Appointments List of Boards, Commissions, and Committees

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

[Chapter 11, §54972 of the California Government Code]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Capitola encourages public participation in local government through its advisory bodies. These boards, commissions, and committees deal with a variety of issues and make recommendations to the City Council. All persons interested in serving on any committee shall submit to the City Clerk a boards and commissions application. The City may appoint community members to represent it on the boards of other agencies. Interested persons are encouraged to visit the City's website at www.CityofCapitola.org.

Name of Board/Commission/ Committee – Membership Information	Community Members & Term Expirations		
Art & Cultural Commission ▲ ● Commission members have an interest in promoting the arts and public art projects within the City. 9 Members 2-Year Term Membership: 1 City Council member; 1 Planning Commissioner; 1 artist/arts organization representative; 1 arts professional and 5 at-large members. Members are preferably residents of Capitola who are 18 years of age or older and may be reappointed for successive 2-year terms with a maximum of 3 terms. <u>Meets: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers</u>	<i>Incumbents with Expiring Terms</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Expires</i>
	Mary Beth Cahalen [At Large Member]	1/16/25	12/31/26
	Esther Sylvan [At Large Member]	1/16/25	12/31/26
	VACANT [At Large Member]		12/31/26
	Jill Payonzeck-Lengre [At Large Member]	1/16/25	12/31/26
	Karin Anderson [At Large Member]	1/30/25	12/31/26
	Roy Holmberg [Artist]	1/16/25	12/31/26
	Roy Johnson [Art Professional]	1/16/25	12/31/26
	Joe Clarke [Council Rep.]	12/12/24	12/31/26
	Courtney Christiansen [Planning Rep.]	1/22/25	12/31/26
Commission on the Environment ● Commission members have an interest in protecting and enhancing the City's natural environment. 5 Members 2-Year Term Membership: 1 City Council member and 1 appointee from each of the remaining 4 City Council members. Members are preferably residents of Capitola who are 18 years of age or older. <u>Meets: A minimum of 4 times a year as needed on the 4th Wednesday of a month at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Community Room</u>	<i>Incumbents with Expiring Terms</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Expires</i>
	Joe Clarke [Council Rep.]	2/13/25	12/2026
	Michelle Beritzhoff-Law [Morgan Appointee]	1/30/25	12/31/26
	Dennis Norton [Jensen Appointee]	1/30/25	12/31/26
	Michael Maroney [Pedersen Appointee]	1/30/25	12/31/26
	VACANT [Orbach Appointee]		12/31/26

- ▲ = Members are required to File Statements of Economic Interest, Form 700
- = Members are required to complete AB 1234 Ethics Training
- = Committee also may include non-voting youth members

Finance Advisory Committee ●

The Committee provides financial and budget alternatives and advice to the City Council.

7 Members

2-Year Term

Membership: Mayor and Vice Mayor (or other appointed Council Members); 1 appointee from each of the remaining 3 City Council members, and 1 or 2 Capitola Businessperson/Capitola Resident representing the business community as recommended by the Capitola Soquel Chamber of Commerce. Council appointees must be City residents.

Meets: 3rd Tuesday of every other month at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

<i>Incumbents with Expiring Terms</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Expires</i>
Alexander Pedersen [Vice Mayor]	1/30/2025	12/2026
Margaux Morgan [Council Member]	2/13/2025	12/2026
Emeline Nguyen [Council Appointee]	1/30/2025	12/2026
Keith Cahalen [Council Appointee]	1/30/2025	12/2026
Anthony Rovai [Council Appointee]	1/30/2025	12/2026
Leslie Nielsen [Business Rep.]	1/30/2025	12/2026
Matt Arthur [Business Rep.]	1/30/2025	12/2026

Historical Museum Board ●

Board members have an interest in preservation and promotion of the City's history and oversee operations of the Historical Museum.

7 Members

3-Year Term

Membership: Preferably City residents, 18 years of age or older.

Meets: 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room

<i>Incumbents with Expiring Terms</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Expires</i>
Emmy Mitchell-Lynn [President]	8/25/22	6/30/25
Roger Wyant [Vice President]	1/12/23	6/30/27
Gordon Van Zuiden [At Large Member]	8/25/22	6/30/25
Enrique Dolmo [At Large Member]	1/12/23	6/30/25
Antonia Alldredge [At Large Member]	7/25/24	6/30/27
Brian Legakis [At Large Member]	7/25/24	6/30/27
Vacant [At Large Member]		6/30/25

Planning Commission ▲ ■

The Commission issues development permits on behalf of the City Council and advises the City Council on land use and policy issues.

5 Members

2 -Year Terms

Membership: 5 individual council appointees.

Meets: 1st Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

<i>Incumbents with Expiring Terms</i>	<i>Appointed</i>	<i>Expires</i>
Courtney Christiansen [Brooks Appointee]	12/12/24	12/31/26
Matthew Howard [Clarke Appointee]	12/12/24	12/31/26
Susan Westman [Jensen Appointee]	12/12/24	12/31/26
Nathan Kieu [Orbach Appointee]	12/12/24	12/31/26
Paul Estey [Pedersen Appointee]	12/12/24	12/31/26

Posted March 4, 2025
 Julia Gautho, City Clerk
 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010
 (831) 475-7300

This local appointments list shall remain posted until 12/31/2025.

▲ = Members are required to File Statements of Economic Interest, Form 700

■ = Members are required to complete AB 1234 Ethics Training

● = Committee also may include non-voting youth members

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY ADVISORY BODY VACANCIES

APRIL 24, 2024

BACKGROUND

- Members of the public are appointed to serve in a voluntary capacity on the City's Advisory bodies for terms. When a member resigns before the end of their term, it creates an unscheduled vacancy. This necessitates that the Council make new appointments for the remainder of the member's term.
- The City Clerk's office received resignations from three members:
 - Art and Cultural Commissioner
 - COE Commissioner
 - Museum Board Member

ART AND CULTURAL COMMISSION:

- Art and Cultural Commission is composed of 9 volunteers:
 - 5 “At Large” members
 - 1 Artist
 - 1 Art Professional
 - 1 Planning Commissioner
 - 1 City Council Member
- Current Vacancy: 1 At Large Position, Term expires 12/2026
- The entire Council appoints this person (motion + vote)

ART AND CULTURAL APPLICATIONS

- Enrique Dolmo*
- Helynné Nourishad
- Jennifer Pepiot
- John Mulry
- Kevin Maguire*
- Kristina McCann
- Leslie Jungemann*
- Sean Tanner
- Tara Hunt
- Thomas Pedersen

* Has been recommended for appointment by the Art and Cultural Commission

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Motion to appoint _____ as an at-large Art and Cultural Commissioner with a term expiring December 2026.

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT:

- The Commission on the Environment is composed of 4 members, each appointed by a City Council Member, and one City Council Member.
- Current Vacancy: 1 At Large Position, Term expires 12/2026
- There are currently seven applications on file.
 - Council Member Orbach appoints to this position.

COE APPLICATIONS

- Cami Corvin
- Chris Amsden
- Lunamar Harter
- John Mulry
- Manuel Castro
- Neal Savage
- Scott Rohlf

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Council Member Orbach appoints _____ as a member of the Commission on the Environment with a term expiring December 2026.

HISTORICAL MUSEUM BOARD:

- The Historical Museum Board is composed of 7 members.
- Three-year staggered terms, expiring in June.
- The Board currently has one vacancy.
- There are two applications on file, the Board has not made any recommendations for appointment.

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: Public Works Department

Subject: Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)



Recommended Action: Receive an informational presentation on the City of Capitola's participation in the 2025 Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP).

Background: The Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all local governments to develop and maintain a Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) to remain eligible for FEMA hazard mitigation assistance programs. The City of Capitola first adopted its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) in 2014 and updated it in 2020. As part of this next five-year update cycle, Capitola has joined the 2025 Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP) effort, coordinated by the County's Office of Response, Recovery, and Resilience (OR3).

The County of Santa Cruz is leading the MJHMP process through OR3, with consulting support from Dynamic Planning + Science (DP+S). The County secured a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) award in 2024 to fund the planning effort. Cities and special districts across the county are participating in the process, contributing in-kind staff time to meet the local match requirement. Using a regional approach to preparing a Hazard Mitigation Plan provides a more efficient and comprehensive approach for the City to meet FEMA requirements.

Discussion: A Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) is a planning document required by FEMA that identifies natural hazards and outlines strategies to reduce long-term risks to people, property, and infrastructure. These plans help communities prepare for and recover more effectively from disasters.

Hazard mitigation planning helps reduce the long-term risks posed by natural disasters, such as earthquakes, floods, wildfires, and extreme weather. The MJHMP will support risk reduction through informed planning, identification of project priorities, and alignment with other efforts such as general plans, climate action plans, and capital improvement programs. The plan also serves as a foundation for applying for federal mitigation grants, which can fund infrastructure improvements, drainage upgrades, vegetation management, seismic retrofits, and more. FEMA reports that for every dollar invested in mitigation, communities save up to six dollars in future disaster costs.

Planning began in late 2023, with initial outreach and grant development. The County received the HMGP award in mid-2024 and selected the consultant team in the fall. The first planning team meeting was held in January 2025. Outreach, risk assessment, and plan drafting will continue through summer 2025. Capitola is contributing to the plan through participation in the Planning Committee, coordination with the County and consultants, data sharing, review of draft materials, and assistance with public engagement. The plan is scheduled for submittal to Cal OES and FEMA in fall 2025.

A public project website has been launched at <https://mitigatehazards.com/santacruzmjhmp>, where community members can complete a survey, access background information, and track the plan's progress. Additional in-person outreach activities are planned throughout the year, including community events, stakeholder meetings, and opportunities for residents to review and comment on the draft plan later in the process.

The MJHMP is being organized in two volumes to distinguish between regional and jurisdiction-specific content. Volume 1 will cover all elements required by FEMA that apply across the entire planning area. This includes the planning process, public engagement strategy, shared goals and objectives, a countywide risk assessment, regional mitigation initiatives, and the plan maintenance strategy.

Volume 2 will be composed of “annexes” for each participating jurisdiction, including Capitola. These annexes will include information specific to each community: localized hazard profiles, assessments of vulnerabilities and capabilities, and targeted mitigation actions. The City’s annex will reflect the same planning process as the rest of the document but will be tailored to Capitola’s needs. Each participating jurisdiction will adopt both volumes, thereby ensuring their local plans meet FEMA’s standards within a regional framework.

Once adopted, the MJHMP will formally replace Capitola’s stand-alone LHMP. The City’s annex will serve as its localized mitigation plan, supporting grant eligibility and long-term resilience planning. Staff will bring the draft plan and Capitola annex to Council for review and adoption later in 2025.

Fiscal Impact: The MJHMP is funded primarily through the HMGP grant, with local jurisdictions contributing in-kind staff time to meet the 25% non-federal match requirement. Capitola’s expected contribution is approximately 80 hours of staff participation throughout the process.

Attachments: None

Report Prepared By: Jessica Kahn, Public Works Director

Reviewed By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager

Santa Cruz County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)

Capitola City Council
April 24, 2025

Photo : County of Santa Cruz

When you think “Hazard Mitigation” think...

- Natural hazards (geo hazards, wildfire, flooding, severe weather)
- **Long-term** and cost-effective solutions
- Addresses **community lifelines**
- **Reduce or avoid repetitive damage** from disasters



BEFORE



AFTER

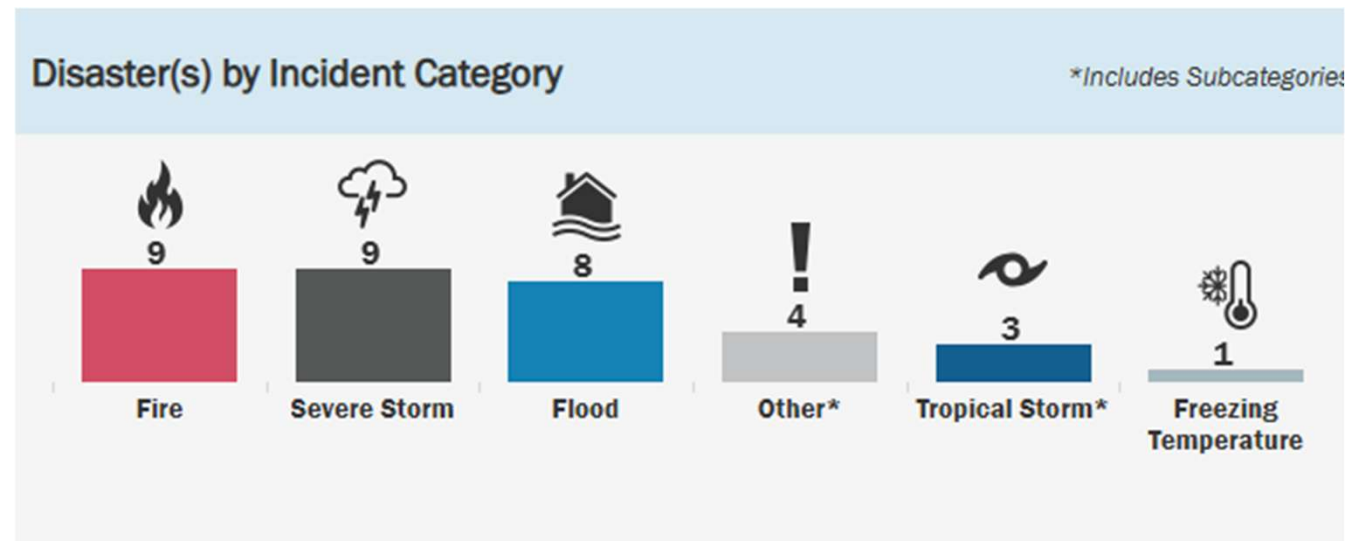
Source: Photos by Ethan Mobley, DP+S, of deployable floodwalls and flood damage to 911 dispatch center

Why have a Mitigation Plan?

Santa Cruz is Disaster Prone!



**Santa Cruz County Disaster Declarations by Category
(since 1953)**



Why Have a Mitigation Plan?

- Reduce exposure and impact for
 - **Critical infrastructure**
 - **Properties**
 - **Residents**
- Ensure safe development into the future
- Engage the public
- Integrate into planning mechanisms (e.g., CIP, GP, CAP, etc.)
- **Fund projects identified in the HMP through FEMA Programs**



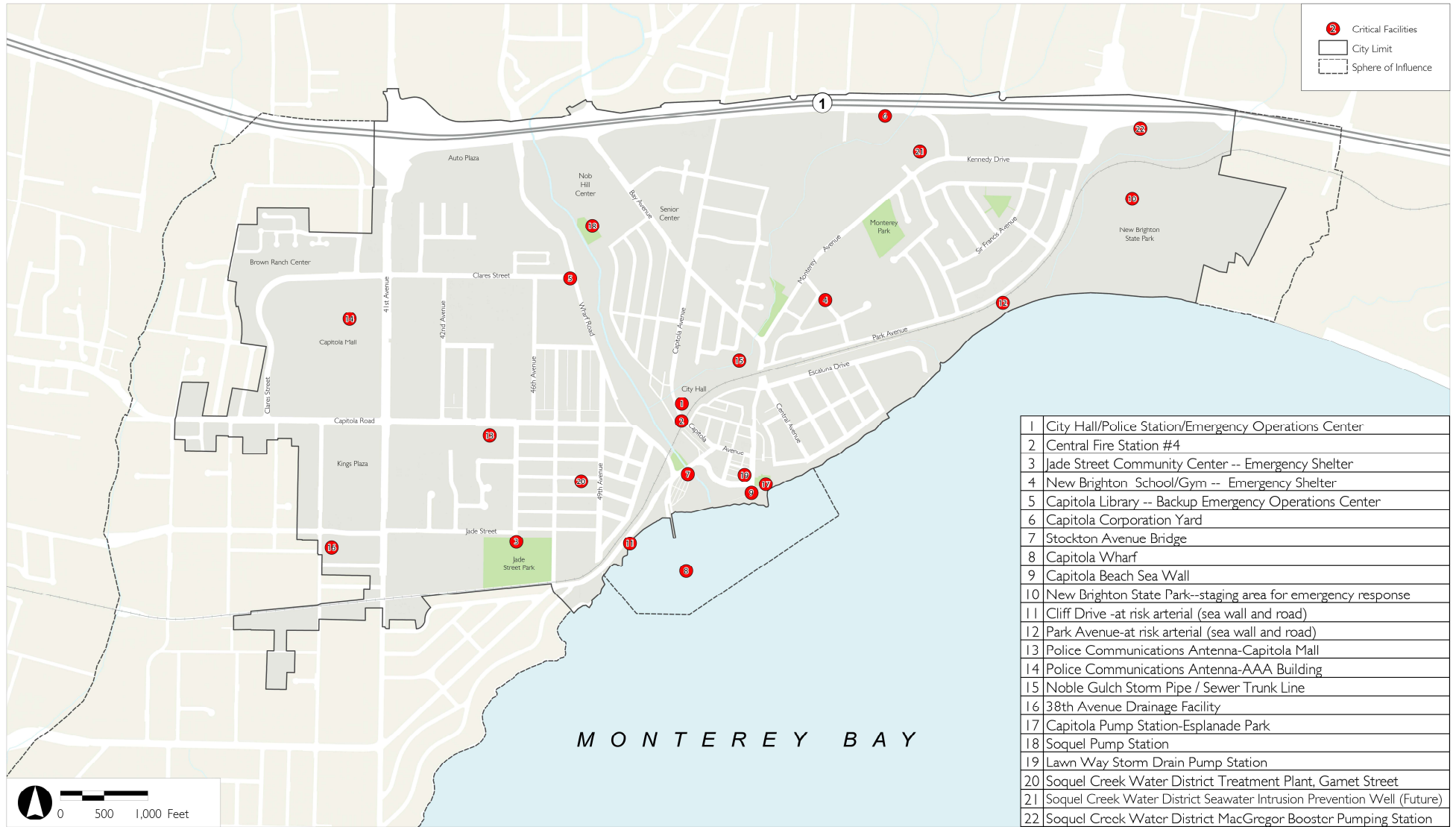


Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

2020 Five Year Update

History of Capitola's Hazard Mitigation Plan

- **First LHMP Adopted**— in 2013
- **Last update**— in 2020
- **Plan life**— plans are considered current for 5 years



Source: City of Capitola, 2010; Santa Cruz County, 2010.

MJHMP Overview



- **Lead Agency:** County OR3
- **Purpose:** Develop a new **Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)** to replace the current LHMP
- **FEMA Grant Award:** \$250,000 (Hazard Mitigation Grant Program)
- **Participating Jurisdictions (11 total):** County, cities, water districts, Resource Conservation District, Port District, Cabrillo College
- **Consultant:** Dynamic Planning + Science (DP+S)
- **Target Submission:** October 2025

Past Occurrences

Coastal Storm: Past events of storm surge, high surf/tide, flooding, and coastal erosion that have affected the City are identified in Table 17: Historical Coastal Storm and High Surf Events. This information along with the pictures depicting flooding and coastal storm damage in Figures 7 through 9 were provided by the City of Capitola Historical Museum.



Figure 7: Coastal Storm (ca. 1926)



Figure 8: Coastal Storm (ca. 1940)



Figure 9: Coastal Storm (ca. 1983)

Table 1. Major Floods in Soquel and Capitola Villages 1890 to Present

(adapted from Appendix A of the Capitola Hazard Mitigation Plan)

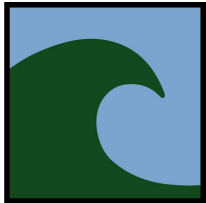
NEWSPAPER DATE	HAZARD	DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE
1862	Flood	Major event—Soquel village inundated; mills, flumes, school, town hall, houses and barns were destroyed. Massive pile of debris went out to sea and then washed ashore at Soquel Landing
1890	Flood	Capitola floods, footbridge and span of wagon bridge destroyed. Esplanade flooded
1906	Flood	Buildings from Loma Prieta Lumber Company camp above Soquel are destroyed. Debris at Capitola.
1913	Storms and Tide	Waves ran across the beach to the Esplanade and water spread "clear to the railroad tracks." Union Traction Company racks covered with sand. Water reached the Hihn Superintendent's Building (Capitola and Monterey Avenues), and waves were described as "monster." About 200 feet of wharf washed away.
1914	Flood	Flood along Soquel Creek
1926	High Tide	High Tide: Waves to 20 feet. Wharf damaged. Sea wall promenade broken at Venetian Courts. Apartments flooded. Breakers slammed into Esplanade, destroying boathouse/bathhouse, beach concessions. Tide hits the second floor of Hotel Capitola. Water runs a foot deep through village
1931	Storm and High Tide	Soquel "River" widens to sixty feet, the highest since 1890, damaging property in Soquel and all the way to the mouth at Capitola. The creek cuts across the beach and moves sand below the new outlet.
1935	Flood	Capitola Village floods; thirty feet of the sea wall is taken out. Beach playground disappears. Venetian Courts hit hard but damage minimal.
1940	Flood	Logs pile against bridge in downtown Soquel and village floods. Landslides in watershed.
1955	Flood	Capitola exceeded \$1 million damage including the Venetian Courts. Noble Creek and Tannery Creek also flooded.
1982-1983	El Nino Storm and High Tide	Early winter storms initiated erosion and left the beaches eroded and vulnerable to subsequent storms in January-February 1983.
1995	Flood	The creek rose near the village.
1997-1998	Flood	Yards and basements of homes along both sides of Soquel Creek near the village were flooded.
2011	Flood	Noble Creek floods village; Tannery Creek rushes through New Brighton State Park parking lot and undermines the cliff roadway within the State Park

Table 34: Capitola Critical Facilities At Risk

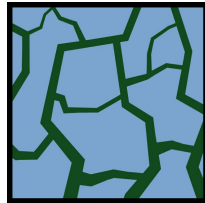
Facility	Erosion	Flood	HAZMAT	Liquefaction	Slope	Tsunami
Stockton Avenue Bridge	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Capitola Pump Station- Esplanade Park	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cliff Drive	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Noble Gulch Storm Pipe	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Park Avenue	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N
Soquel Pump Station	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N

HMP Profiled Hazards

Tsunami



Drought



Flood / Coastal Storm



Wildfire



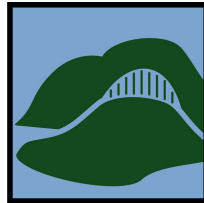
Earthquake / Liquefaction



Climate Change



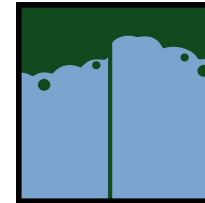
Slope Failure / Landslide



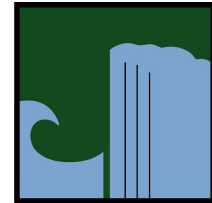
Dam Failure



Expansive Soils



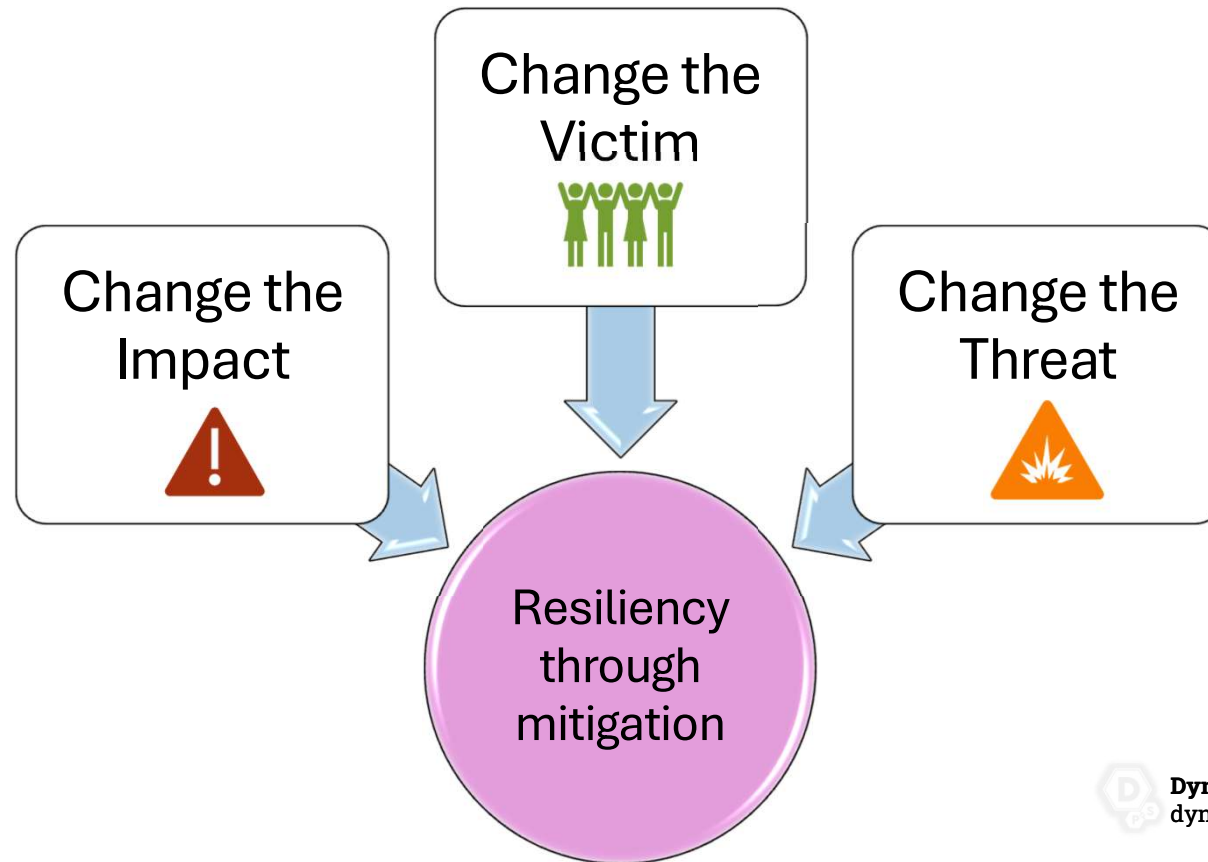
Coastal Erosion



Think Community Lifelines!



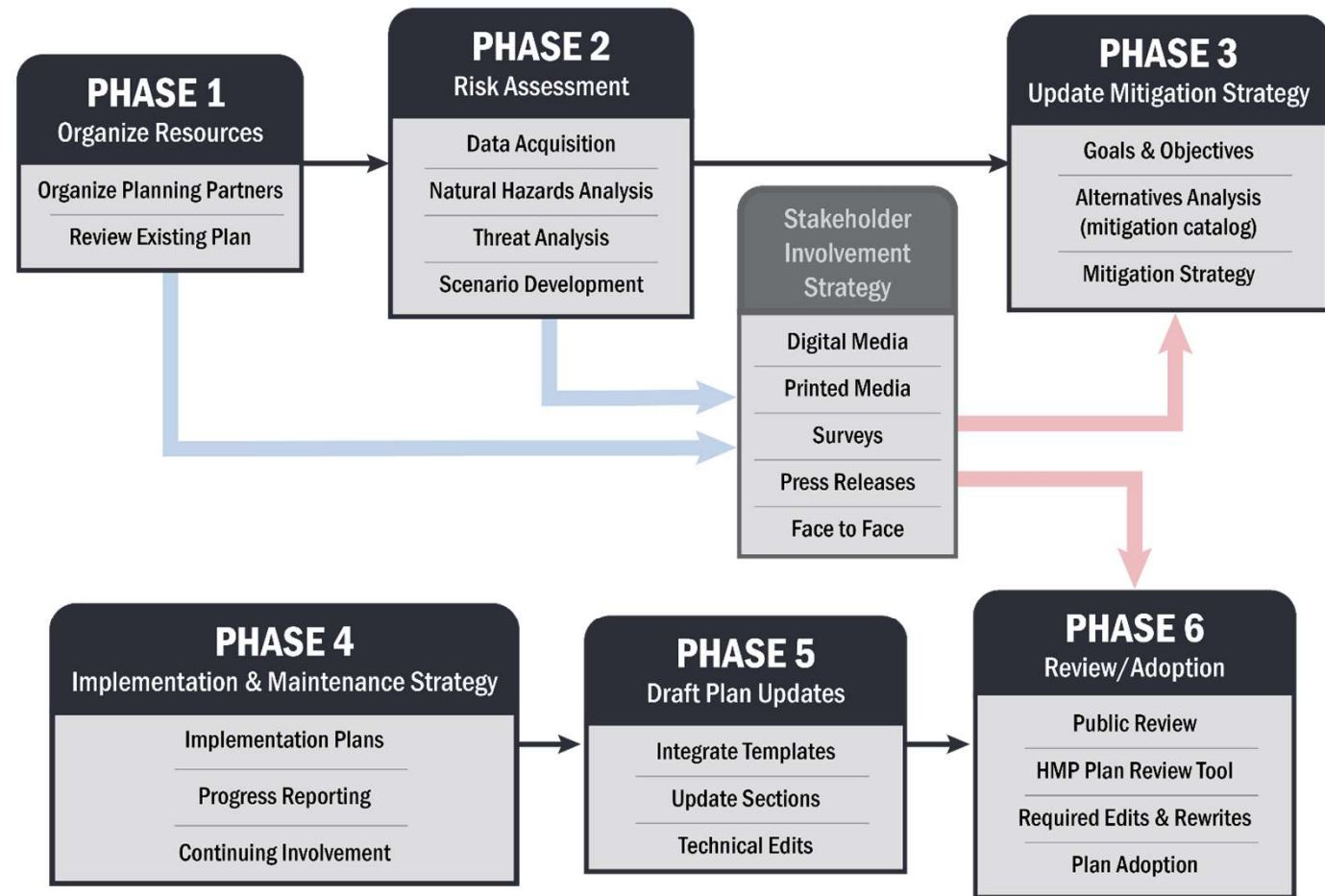
3 Types of Hazard Mitigation



Remember the “Why”

- 
- Save Lives
 - Reduce Property and Infrastructure Damage
 - Reduce Recovery Costs
 - Minimize Societal Disruption
 - Reduce Liability
 - Keep Critical Facilities Operational

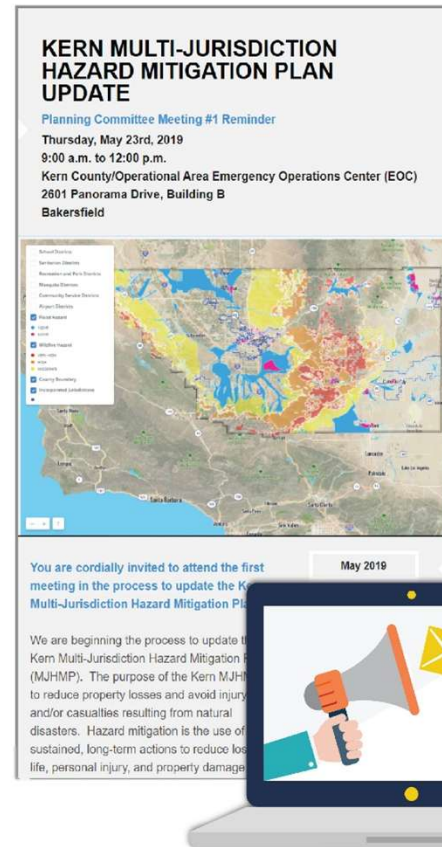
Where are We in the Process?



Seeking to
develop draft
plan by early
Sept. 2025

Outreach Tools & Resources

- Social media / Local Media Outlets
- Project website
 - Public survey (with prize incentives!)
 - Resources for property owners
 - Project scope and status updates
 - Access to draft documents
- Public Outreach
 - Go to them approach (farmers markets, large gathering events).
 - Public Meetings/Workshops



Public Survey

The public is the largest asset holder in the county — their perspective is essential to effective mitigation.

- Community input ensures the plan reflects local needs and concerns.

Survey Explores:

- **Perceived risks** wildfire, earthquake, flood, and coastal storms
- **Household preparedness:** evacuation plans, defensible space, retrofits, insurance
- **Barriers to action:** cost, lack of info, physical limitations
- **Interest in incentives:** grants, rebates, technical assistance, insurance discounts
- **Top public priorities:** infrastructure upgrades, emergency response, community outreach

CONDADO DE SANTA CRUZ
Plan de Mitigación de Riesgos
ENCUESTA PÚBLICA

MITIGATE HAZARDS
mitigatehazards.com

¡Responda a la encuesta y podrá ganar un kit de emergencia para su hogar!

Actualización del Plan de Mitigación de Riesgos del Condado de Santa Cruz 2025

¡Bienvenido y gracias por participar en esta encuesta pública!

Esta encuesta ayudará a informar el desarrollo de la actualización 2025 del Plan de Mitigación de Riesgos Multijurisdiccional del Condado de Santa Cruz (MJHMP). La mitigación de riesgos es el uso de acciones sostenidas y a largo plazo para reducir la pérdida de vidas, lesiones personales y daños a la propiedad que pueden resultar de un desastre natural.

Este cuestionario está diseñado para obtener su opinión sobre los peligros y preocupaciones de seguridad en la zona y qué tipos de medidas de mitigación deberían llevarse a cabo por la ciudad. La información que proporcione nos ayudará a identificar políticas y coordinar proyectos enfocados en reducir el riesgo de lesiones o daños a la propiedad por eventos de riesgo (por ejemplo, terremotos, incendios forestales, inundaciones).

La encuesta debería tardar aproximadamente entre 5 y 10 minutos en completarse y es anónima. ¡Proporcione su correo electrónico si desea participar en el sorteo de un kit de emergencia para su hogar! Vea los resultados y obtenga más información sobre el proceso de planificación en el sitio web de nuestro proyecto, mitigatehazards.com/santacruzmjhmp.

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Project Links



Project Website:

<https://mitigatehazards.com/santacruzmjhmp/>



Capitola City Council

Agenda Report

Meeting: April 24, 2025

From: Public Works Department

Subject: 41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements



Recommended Action: Receive report and provide input on the 41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements Project.

Background: The 2022 Pavement Management Project Update (PMP), approved by the City Council on June 9, 2022, outlines specific streets scheduled for rehabilitation based on pavement conditions and long-term maintenance planning. Included in that five-year plan is heavy rehabilitation of the pavement on 41st Avenue from Clares Street to the northern city limit.

In October 2023, the City applied for \$2 million through the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's (RTC) 2023 Consolidated Regional Transportation Grant Program to fund both pavement rehabilitation and multimodal safety improvements along this corridor. In December 2023, the City was awarded \$1 million from the RTC toward the project.

On September 12, 2024, the City Council approved a budget amendment to allocate \$300,000 in grant funding for design and permitting work in FY 2024–25. The City retained Kimley-Horn and Associates to prepare a Design Engineering Evaluation Report (DEER) and 95% Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) required for Caltrans permitting.

Discussion: The purpose of this item is to update the City Council on the draft design for the 41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements, review project goals, and update funding status.

This project advances both the City's Pavement Management Plan and broader transportation goals to improve safe multimodal access across Capitola. 41st Avenue is one of the busiest corridors in the region, connecting neighborhoods, commercial destinations, and access points to State Route 1.

The project scope includes:

- Pavement rehabilitation from Clares Street to the northern City boundary
- Protected Class IV bike lanes with vertical separation (raised curbs and delineators)
- Audible pedestrian signals and other ADA upgrades
- New overhead signs and pavement markings to improve lane selection and wayfinding
- Installation of a physical barrier to prevent vehicles from bypassing the queue for the southbound SR-1 on-ramp

Traffic analysis identified persistent collision patterns in this segment, including 41 collisions over a 10-year period—26 of which occurred between Gross Road and the southbound on-ramp, and 7 involving bicyclists. The project will not add vehicle capacity but is expected to reduce collisions, improve traffic flow at the ramps, and significantly improve conditions for people biking and walking.

Following the City's grant award and budget allocation, Kimley-Horn began the pre-construction phase, including preparation of the DEER—a critical step in securing Caltrans' Encroachment Permit. This report includes geometric layout drawings, design exception documentation (if needed), environmental documentation, traffic analysis, and stormwater information.

Because nearly all work is located within Caltrans right-of-way, the City must adhere to State design criteria and permitting protocols. This limits flexibility for local design preferences but ensures the project is coordinated with the regional transportation network and built to standardized safety specifications.

Staff is preparing to submit the permit application to Caltrans and anticipates DEER approval and permit issuance in 2025. Once the permit is approved, the consultant will finalize construction-ready PS&E documents. Design and permitting are expected to be completed in FY 2024–25, making the project eligible for construction in FY 2025–26. The permitting process with Caltrans typically spans 12 to 15 months due to required coordination and documentation standards. City staff is managing the schedule to keep the project aligned with grant timelines and capital planning.

The project will be presented to the RTC's Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee to share design details, schedule, and the expected impacts of construction. These meetings are for informational purposes, as the project's design must comply with Caltrans standards and cannot be meaningfully modified.

Additional outreach will occur ahead of construction, including direct notifications to adjacent property owners and broader public communications to ensure the community is aware of the timeline and benefits.

Fiscal Impact: Project construction is currently estimated to cost between \$2.2 and \$2.5 million. The City has been awarded \$1 million through the RTC's Consolidated Regional Transportation Grant Program. Of this, \$300,000 has been allocated in FY 2024–25 to support design, permitting, and Caltrans coordination. The remaining \$700,000 in grant funding, combined with future allocations of dedicated roadway funds anticipated in FY 2025–26, is expected to cover construction costs.

Updated cost estimates will be developed through the DEER and preparation of PS&E. As part of the FY 2025–26 Budget, Staff will present options to fund the remaining project costs.

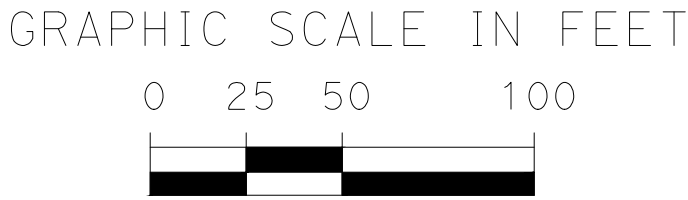
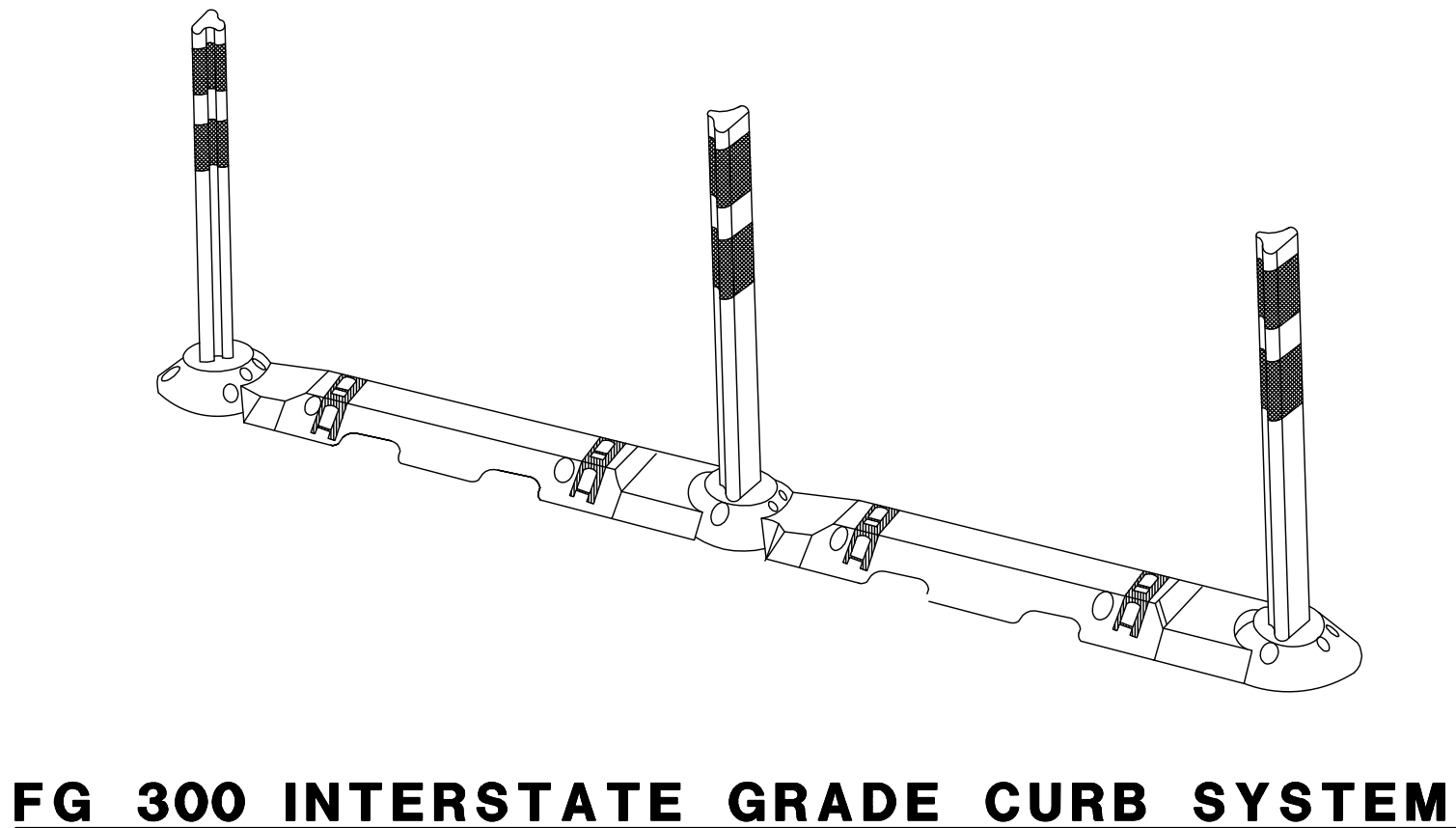
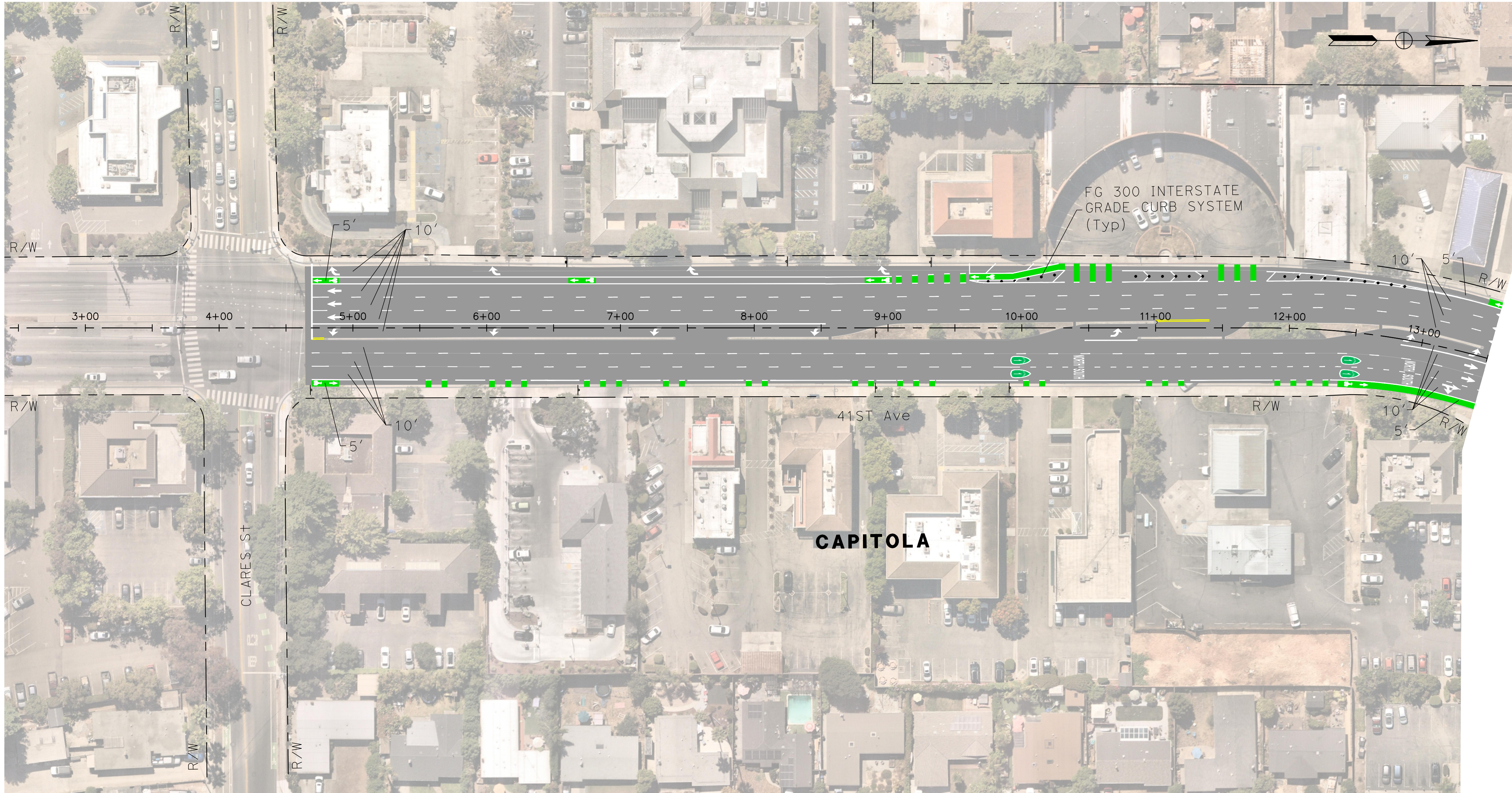
Attachments:

1. Draft Project Design

Report Prepared By: Jessica Kahn, Public Works Director

Reviewed By: Julia Gautho, City Clerk

Approved By: Jamie Goldstein, City Manager



41ST AVENUE PAVEMENT
REHABILITATION AND
MULTIMODAL IMPROVEMENTS

SCALE: 1" = 50'

Dist	COUNTY	ROUTE	POST MILES TOTAL PROJECT	SHEET No.	Item 8 C SHEETS
REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER			DATE		
PLANS APPROVAL DATE			No. _____ Exp. _____ CIVIL STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
KIMLEY-HORN 4637 CHABOT DRIVE SUITE 300 PLEASANTON, CA 94588					

PATH = <



41st Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation and Multimodal Improvements

City Council
April 24, 2025





41st Avenue

Project Background

2022

- PMP identifies 41st Avenue north of Clares Street for heavy rehabilitation

2023

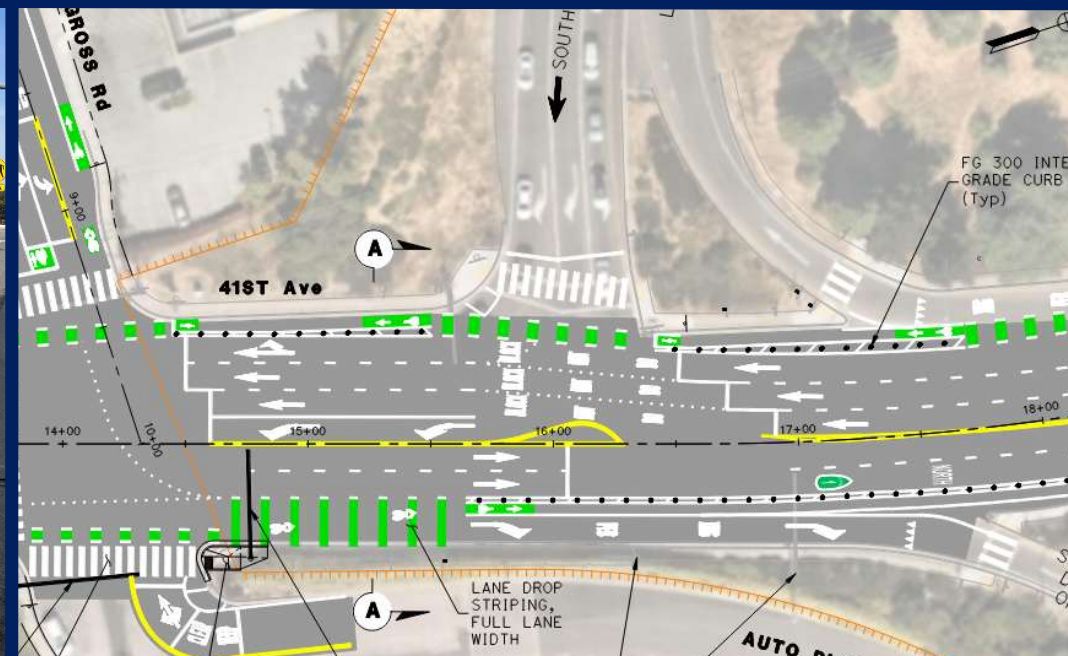
- Oct 2023: Applied for \$2M grant via RTC
- Dec 2023: Awarded \$1M

2024

- Sept 2024: \$300K design budget approved
- Kimley-Horn retained for design work



41st Ave Multimodal Improvements and Pavement Rehabilitation Project



City Council Meeting April 24th, 2025

PRESENTED BY: Chris Brecheisen

Kimley»Horn



41st Avenue

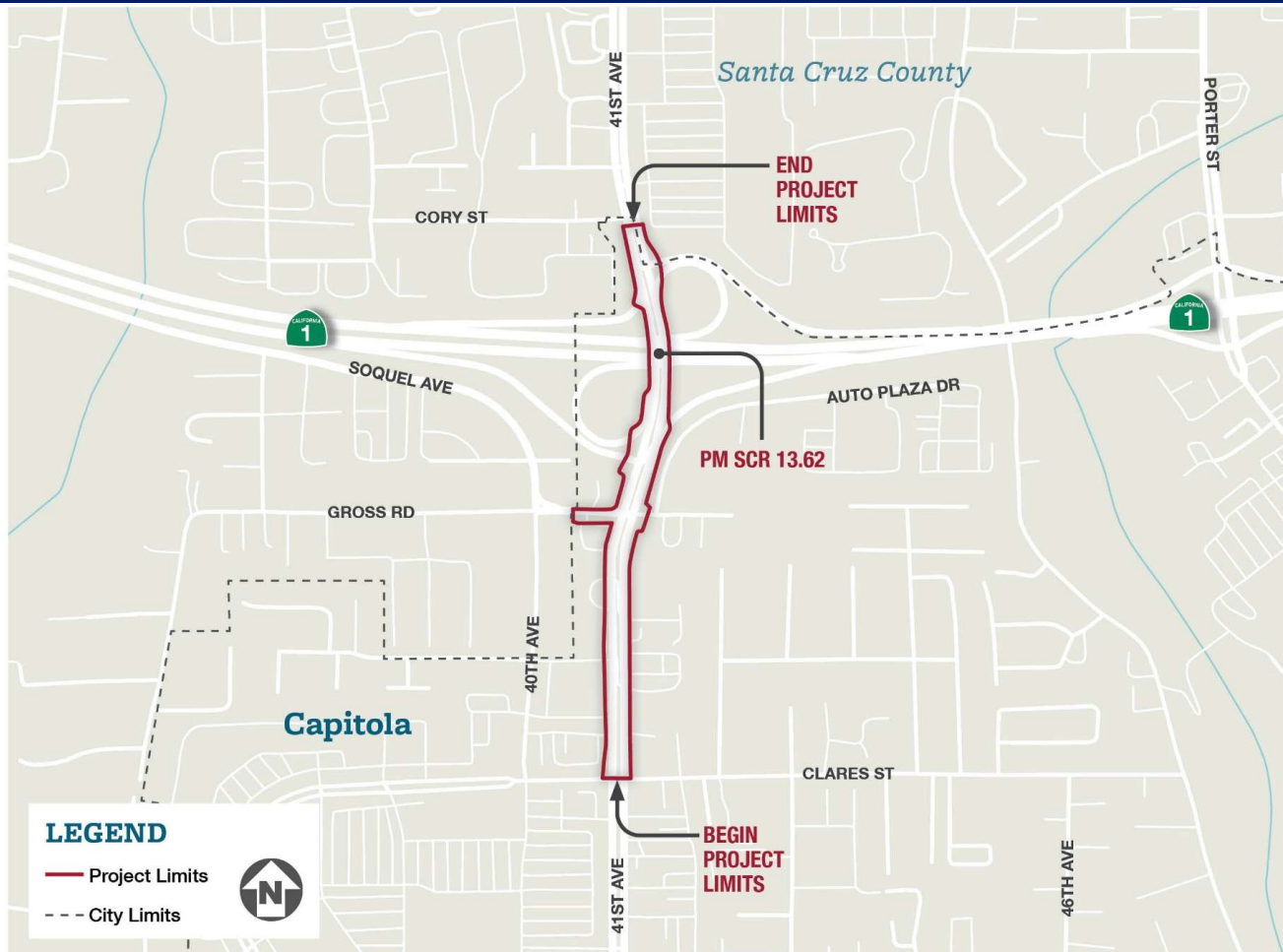
Presentation Overview



- Project background
- Project Goals and Objectives
- Overview of project features
- Upcoming project milestones

41st Avenue

Project Overview Map





41st Avenue

Existing Conditions



*Depressions and
Uneven Pavement*



*Old Utility Trench Repairs
and Faded Striping*



*Poor Wayfinding on 41st Ave
for SR-1 Ramp Access*



*Alligator
Cracking*



*Uncomfortable Bicycle Facilities
with High Traffic Congestion*



*Poor Wayfinding on Gross Road
for SR-1 Ramp Access*

41st Avenue

Project Background



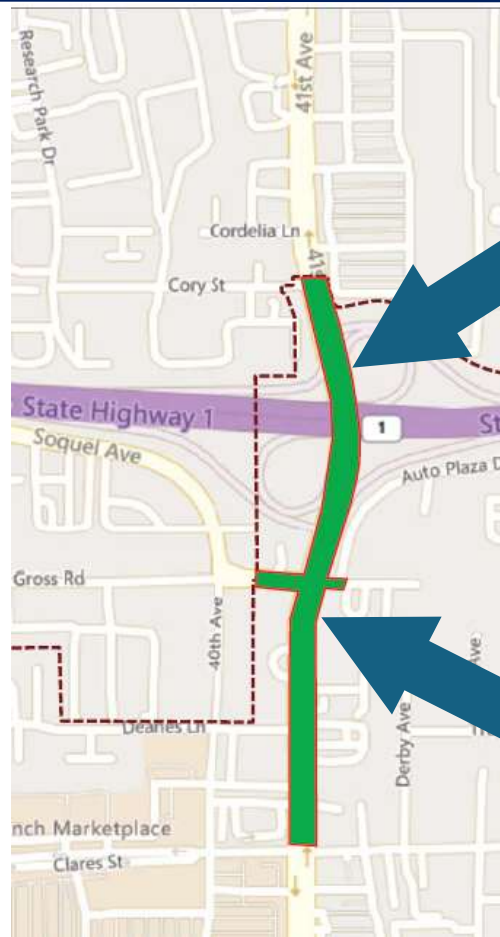
■ Project purpose and goals:

- 1 Full road surface reconstruction
- 2 Enhance pedestrian and bicycle accessibility with new crossings, signs, striping, and separated bikeway
- 3 Provide wayfinding improvements for SR-1 ramp access with advance pavement markings and signage
- 4 Minimize construction timing delays to existing residents

■ Project funded by STIP and local funds

41st Avenue

Roadway Speeds



Existing Posted Speed: 25 MPH

Proposed Posted Speed: 25 MPH
From Clares Street to City Boundary

Existing Posted Speed: 30 MPH

41st Avenue

Proposed Road Repair

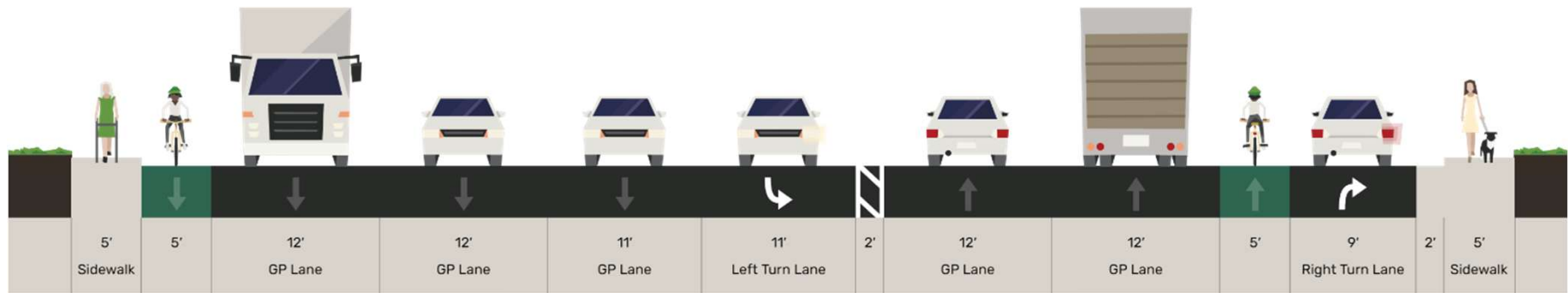


- Partial Depth Recycling (PDR) – this treatment treats the existing asphalt as an asset.
 - Cost effective - restore and reuse the existing material
 - Efficient - reducing the amount of material to be hauled off/to the site
 - Quick - cars back on the street the same day the paving process

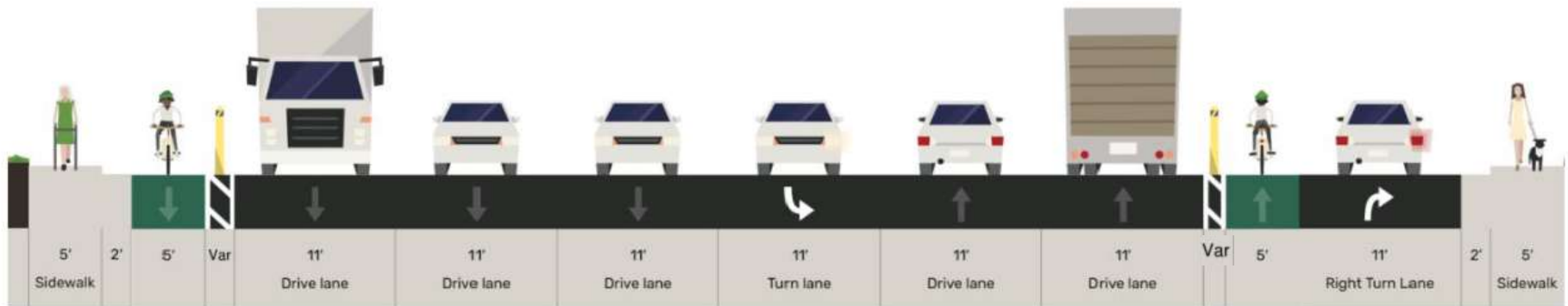


41st Avenue

Proposed Cross Section



Existing



Proposed

41st Avenue

Bicycle Features



- Existing Class II bike lanes would be restriped south of Gross Rd
- Existing Class II bike lanes would be restriped to Class IV from Gross Rd to City Boundary with buffer and raised interstate curb and delineators
- Repaved roadway would improve bicycle experience and access along Clares Street



Green Pavement Markings



Delineators on Plastic Curb



Green Conflict Striping for Bike Transition

41st Avenue

Wayfinding Features

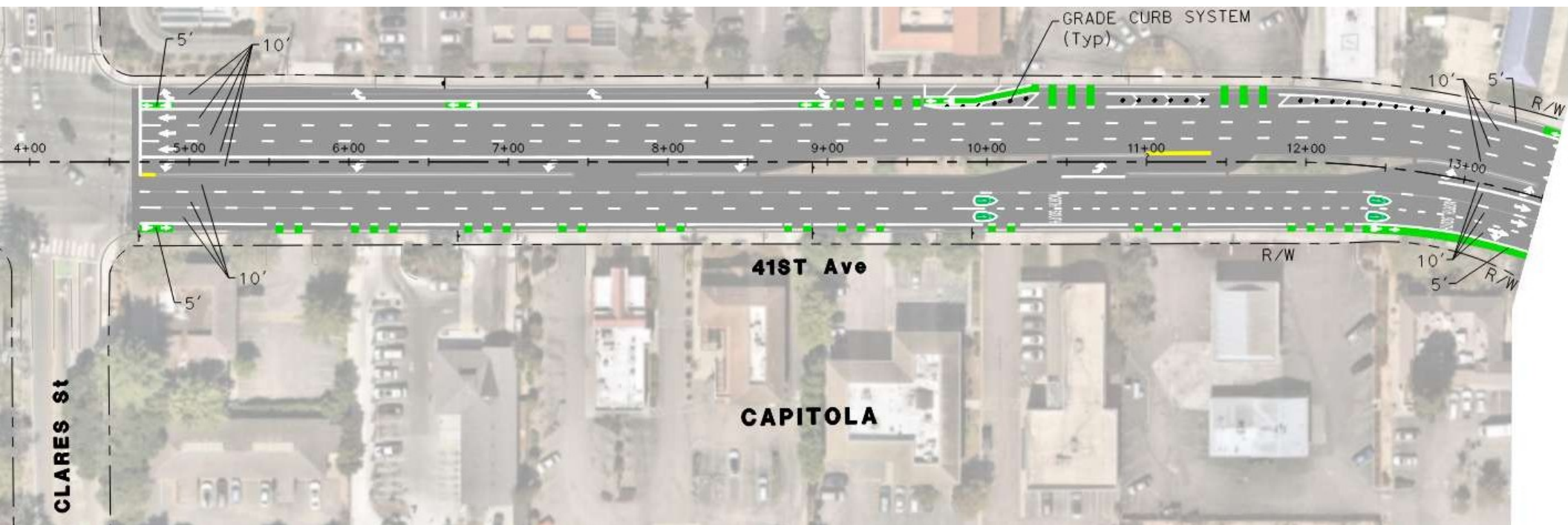


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- Advance overhead signage for lane selection for SR-1 ramp access





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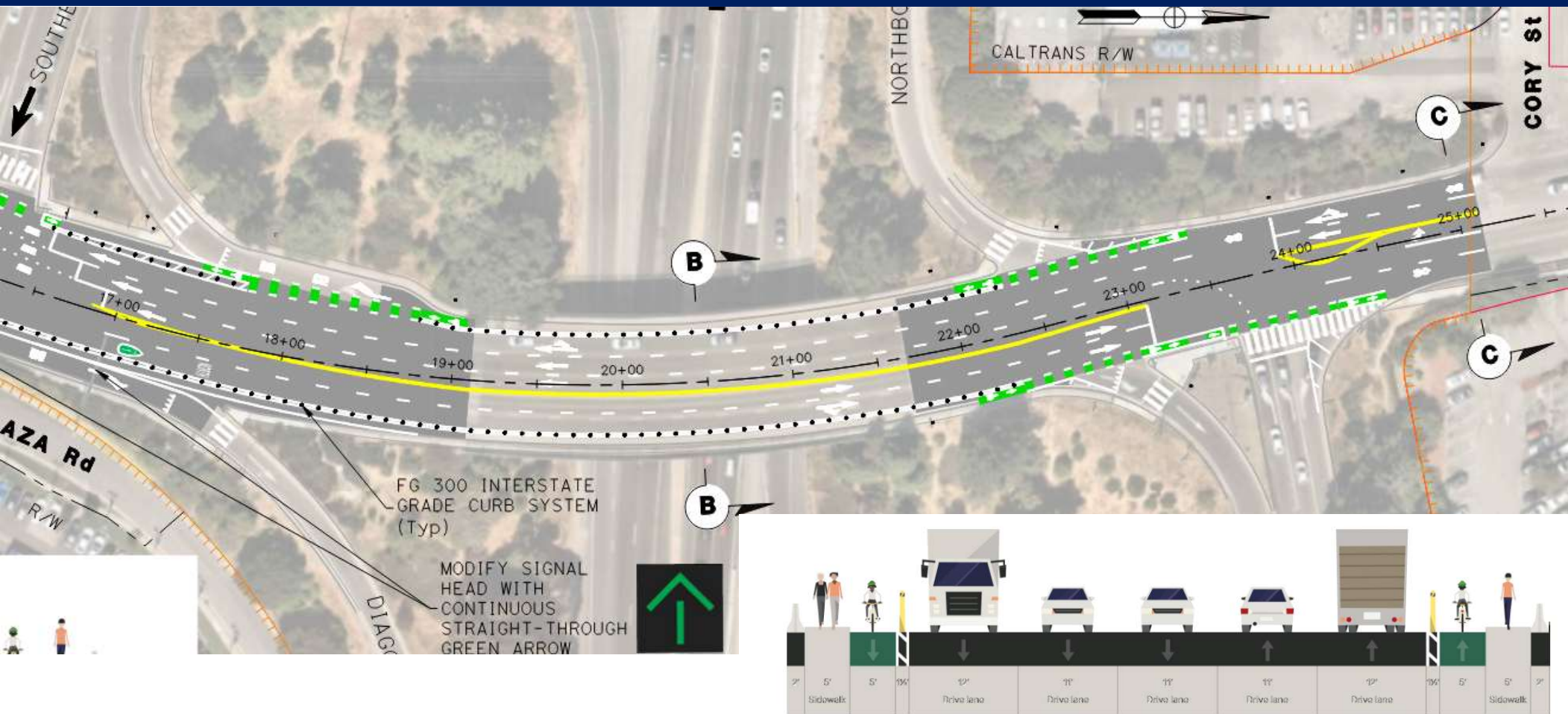


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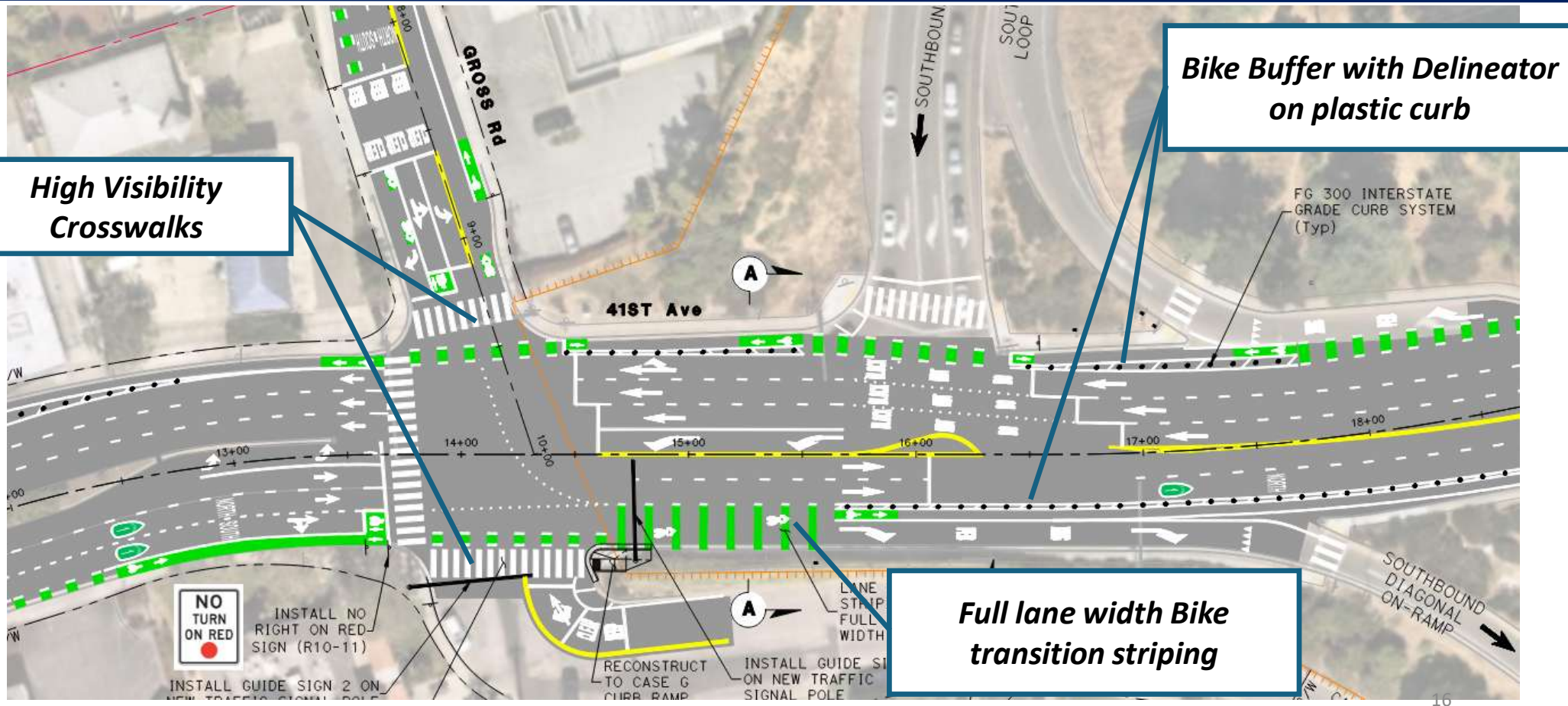
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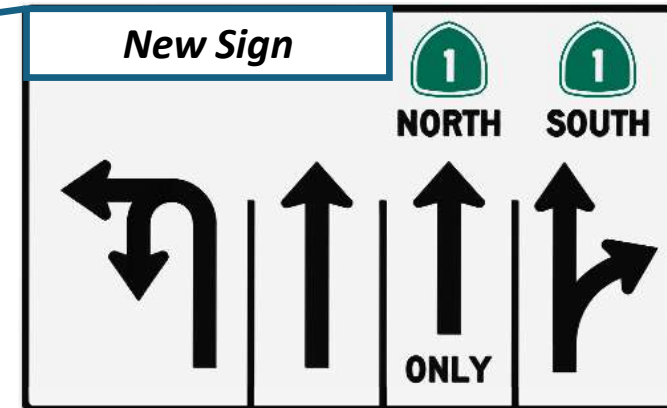
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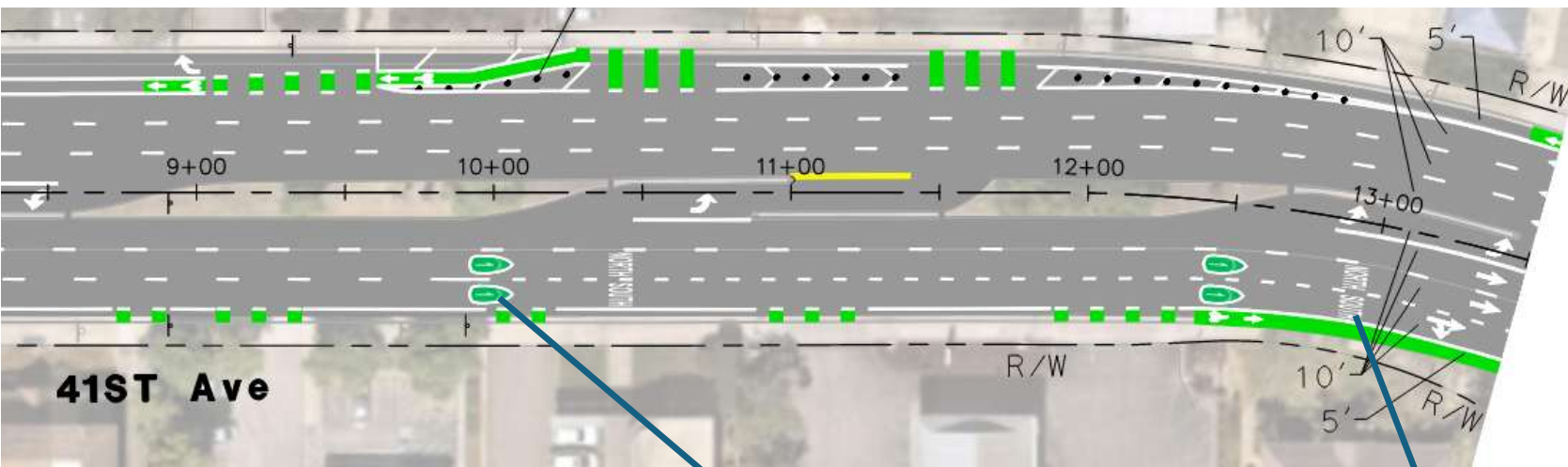


Wayfinding Sign on 41st Ave



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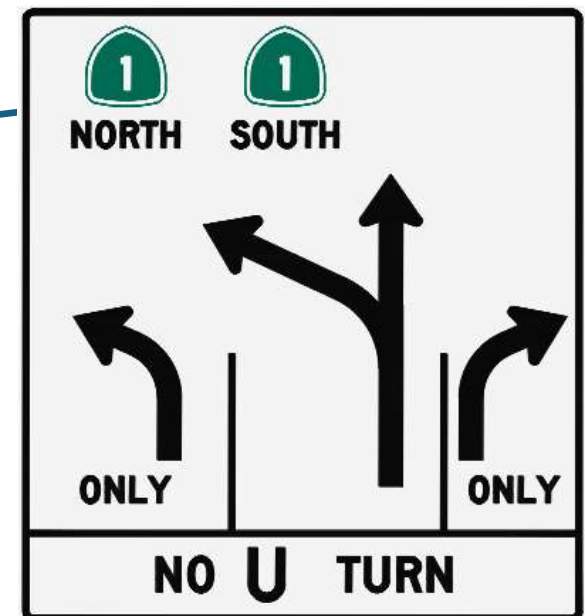
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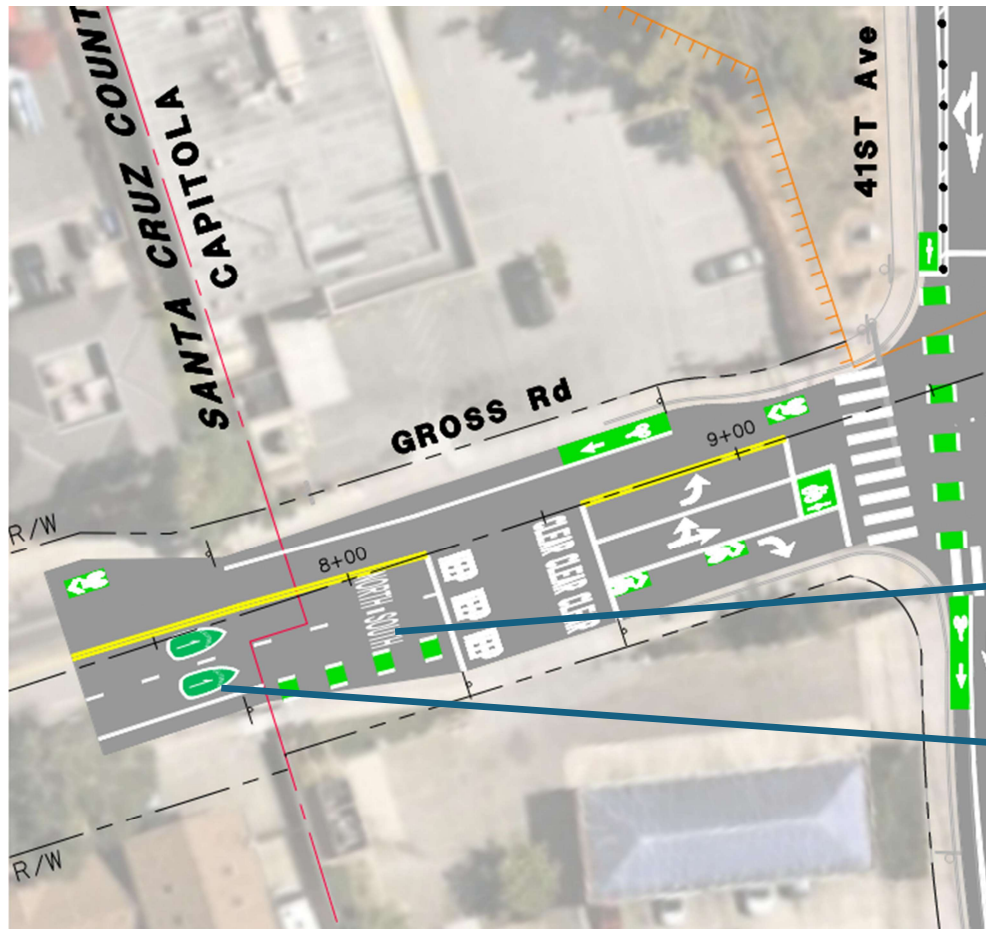
Wayfinding Improvements – Location 2



Wayfinding Sign on Gross Rd

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Wayfinding Improvements – Location 2



Wayfinding Pavement Marking

**Advance Pavement
Marking "Direction"**

**Advance Pavement
Marking "SR-1"**

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Estimated Project Schedule



Timeline	Milestone
Summer 2025	Complete Engineering Design/Caltrans Approval Process
Winter 2025	Bid Project for Construction
Spring 2026	Construct Project

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Community Outreach



Upcoming Presentations

- Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee

Additional Outreach

- Direct notifications to adjacent property owners
- Broader public communications to inform the community about the timeline and benefits

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Fiscal Impact



Estimated Construction Cost

\$2.2 - \$2.5 million

- RTC Grant : \$700,000 FY 25/26 construction costs
- Future dedicated roadway funds expected in FY 25/26 for remaining costs

Budget Development

- Updated cost estimates through DEER and PS&E preparation
- Staff to present funding during FY 25/26 Budget

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41st Avenue Corridor Plan



Purpose

- Enhance safety, design, and green space
- Strengthen connectivity and placemaking
- Engage the community in shaping the vision
- Develop a phased, cost-informed implementation plan

Potential Changes to This Section of 41st

- **Gross Road to City Limit:** Minimal options due to Caltrans right-of-way
- **Clares Street to Gross Road:** limited by geometry
 - Most potential changes being made in proposed project.
 - Potential future opportunities: turn pockets, medians, and sidewalks (not tied to pavement maintenance)

41st Ave Multimodal Improvements and Pavement Rehabilitation Project



THANK YOU!



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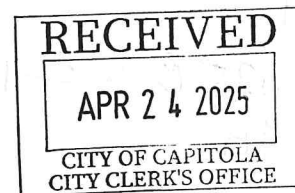
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TO: City Clerk, Julia Gautho
CC: City Manager, Jamie Goldstein



RE: Complaint, per City Council and Commissioner Code of Conduct-Section 8.4

Please accept this formal complaint against Council Member Alexander Pedersen for what we believe to be a violation of his oath of office and the City residency requirement of Council Members, and State Government Code for Council Members, which states as following:

A. 36502. GOVERNMENT CODE - GOV

(a) A person is not eligible to hold office as councilmember, city clerk, or city treasurer unless he or she is at the time of assuming the office an elector of the city, and was a registered voter of the city at the time nomination papers are issued to the candidate as provided for in Section 10227 of the Elections Code.

If, during his or her term of office, he or she moves his or her place of residence outside of the city limits or ceases to be an elector of the city, his or her office shall immediately become vacant.

B. Capitola City requires Council Members to be:

- **A Capitola resident**
- Registered voter
- 18 years of age

In February of 2025, Council Member Pedersen purchased a home at 239 Elk street, Santa Cruz, California as his primary residence and is currently residing there. This is obviously well outside of Capitola City boundaries; therefore, he is in violation of both State and City requirements.

In accordance with State and City law, we request that his Council Member Pedersen's seat be vacated by no later than 12:00 pm, Friday April 25, 2025.

It is not our intention to file charges against Council Member Pedersen. However,

- Should Council Member refuse to step down immediately, or
- The City of Capitola refuse to remove him from the City Council by the date and time indicated above

We will forward all information to the Santa Cruz County District Attorney's office for a full investigation and subsequent charges.

We are hopeful that Council Member Pedersen and Capitola City staff will understand the negative impact to all for non-compliance and make the right decision.

Thank you for your attention
Respectfully,
TJ Welch

Concerned Citizens of Capitola

Received
4/24/2025 @ 6:12 pm
Jb

