City of LOMPOC

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE MASTER PLAN







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Background

- Plan funding: Measure A Safe Routes to School SBCAG, Cycle 2
- Grant approved August 15, 2017
- Plan increases City's chances of grant funding for pedestrian and bicycle projects
- Plan prioritizes all known proposed walking and biking improvements that are consistent with the 2030 General Plan, Circulation Element

Plan Goals & Objectives

- Identify and assess City's walking and biking needs
- Scope and prioritize proposed future improvements, focusing first on safe walking routes to schools
- Review and evaluate outstanding bicycle and pedestrian improvements proposed in the City's General Plan
- Caltrans ATP and Measure A Grant funding more easily obtainable with a Plan of this type

Goals & Objectives (cont)

- Meet the requirements of the California Transportation Commission's Active Transportation Program Guidelines
- Meet the State Highways Code article 891.2 requirements for Bicycle Transportation Plans
- Ensure plan consistency with other local, regional, state, and federal related active transportation plans

Existing Conditions

- Plan assesses existing conditions
- Maps and provides description of Lompoc's pedestrian and bicycle networks
- Discusses mode share between different travel modes
- Addresses issues with vehicle/pedestrian and vehicle/bicycle collisions



Stakeholder Coordination

- April 25th, 2019 Internal City of Lompoc Plan Kickoff with Engineering, Planning, & GIS
- May 24th, 2019 Community Stakeholder Meeting with City Divisions, SB County, SBCAG, Caltrans, LUSD & School Principals, Healthy Lompoc Coalition, Healthy Trails, SBBIKE, Lightening Cycles, and Explore Lompoc
- Draft Plan currently out for review with Plan Stakeholders, Comments due by May 22nd, 2020

Community Outreach

- Community survey obtained feedback from residents on Walking and Biking projects they desired for the City, open June through October 2019
- Surveyed LUSD & Schools September-October 2019
- Presented plan intent and goals, solicited survey responses, and visited with community members at 3 community events
 - Flower Festival booth, June 24th, 2019
 - Old Town Market booth, July 26th,
 2019
 - Old Town Market booth, August 16th, 2019





Plan Recommendations

- All projects recommended in the plan are consistent with the 2030 General Plan, Circulation Element
- Projects Prioritized include:
 - Sidewalk Infill
 - Crossing Improvements
 - Bike Paths, Lanes, & Shared Use Bikeways
 - Bicycle Parking, and other biking amenity projects

Planning Commissioner Comments May 13, 2020 PC Meeting

- Consider including tourism as a prioritization factor recommended by 2 commissioners
- Plan Primary focus on facilitating students safely commuting to school commended by 1 commissioner
- Overall effort commended by 2 commissioners

Follow-up on Planning Commissioner Comments

- Staff tested including tourism as a prioritization factor and noted the following results:
 - Decrease in scores of neighborhood sidewalk infill & crossing improvements.
 - Increase in scores of commercial & recreational sidewalk infill & crossing improvements, as well as bike lane striping.
 - Little to no change in scores for new bike paths and bike lanes requiring road widening because both of those are very expensive and they generally don't serve school commuters or general commercial needs.
- Omitting the tourism factor is more consistent with the focus of the Plan, in first facilitating students safely commuting to school; however, staff can include it if desired by the Council.

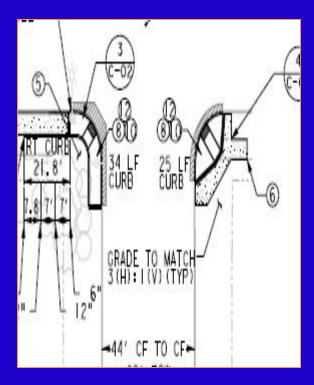
Conclusion

- Plan increases
 eligibility for
 pedestrian and bicycle
 project grant funding
- Streamlines project selection process, as all known needed pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure is prioritized in the Plan



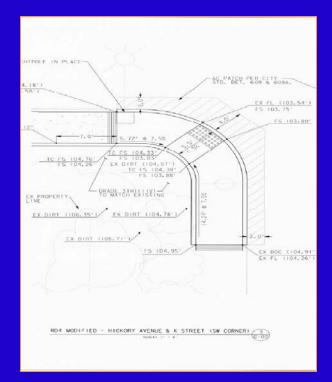
Feedback Welcome

The draft plan is available for review at: https://www.cityoflompoc.com/governme nt/departments/public-works/pedestrianand-bicycle-master-plan and you may email any comments to Joshua Leard through Friday, May 22, 2020 at j_leard@ci.lompoc.ca.us. Thank you



Questions

Comments



Recommendations

