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FROM: Parametrix
SUBJECT: ATP Project & Program Prioritization
PROJECT NAME: City of Albany Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

This memo provides a summary of the project development and prioritization methodologies for the Active Transportation Plan (ATP). It builds on the technical work from the prior two phases of the project and is divided into the following sections:

- Revised Active Transportation Networks
- Project Identification & Prioritization
- Program Identification & Prioritization

Revised Active Transportation Networks

Revised maps of the pedestrian/walking and bicycling/rolling networks are presented in Figure 1 and Figure 2 on the following pages. Revisions since the initial draft maps reflect feedback from the City Council, Transportation Commission (TC), staff, and community stakeholders during the previous phase of the project.

Project Identification & Prioritization

Project Identification

To identify projects, the study team:

- Developed a comprehensive network database including every block and intersection on the pedestrian/walking and biking/rolling networks.
- Compared existing conditions to the active transportation networks and the associated network quality guidelines (developed and reviewed by City Council, TC, staff, and community stakeholders in the previous phase).
- Identified gaps, corridors, and intersections that do not currently meet the desired quality guidelines.
- Identified potential projects to achieve the network quality guidelines. In some cases, multiple project options were identified that could fulfill the guidelines.
- Consolidated the comprehensive block-by-block database into a list of projects by location/corridor for further evaluation and prioritization.

The full project lists including descriptions and maps are attached to the end of this memo.



Figure 1: Pedestrian/Walking Network



Figure 2: Biking/Rolling Network



Community Input on Projects

Community input was gathered through an in-person open house meeting and an online survey that was open for approximately four weeks. The survey asked community members to rank their top three projects in these categories:

- **Pedestrian & Trail Projects (Figure 3):** Community feedback prioritized major trails, major corridors, and schools.
- **Biking & Rolling Projects (Figure 4):** Community feedback focused on major corridors.

Figure 3: Sum of “Top 3” Community Votes, Pedestrian & Trail Projects (588 Responses)

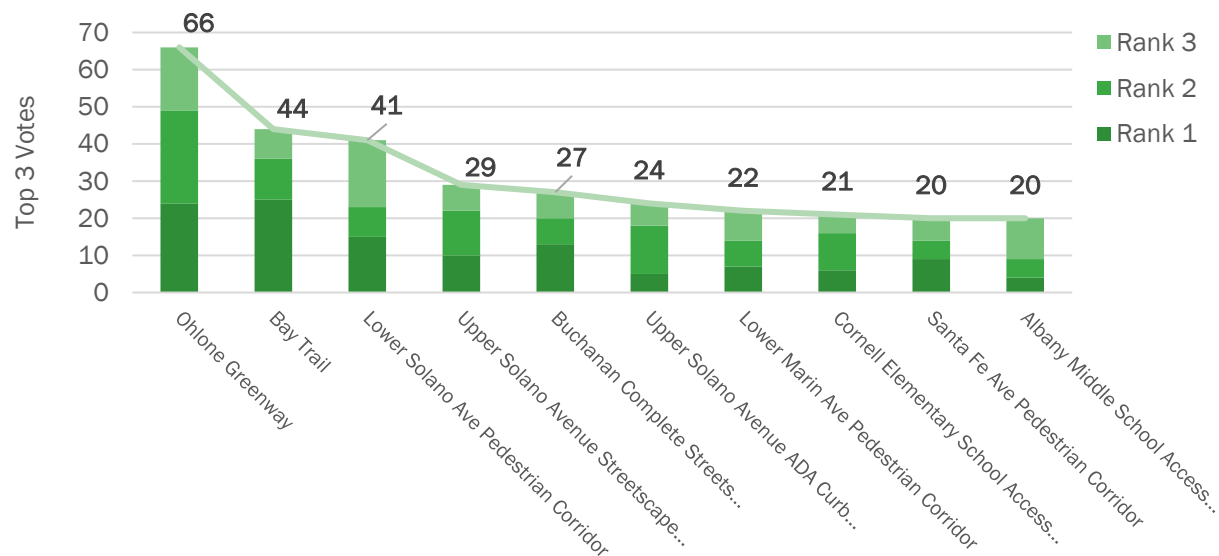
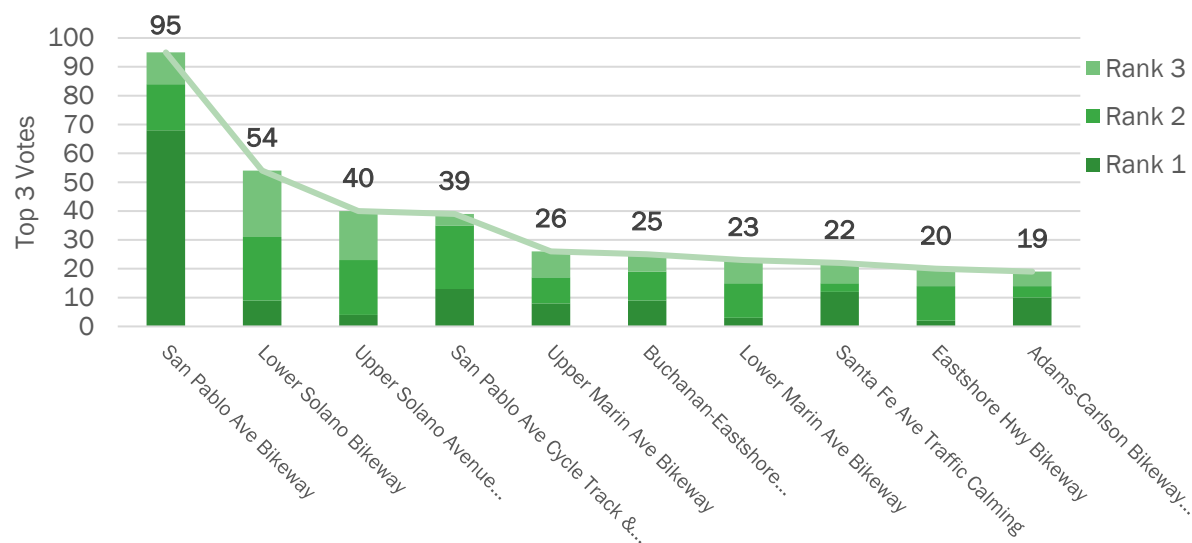


Figure 4: Sum of “Top 3” Community Votes, Biking & Rolling Projects (535 Responses)



Project Prioritization

The project team evaluated and prioritized each project based on criteria drawn from the ATP goals and input from the community and TC. The criteria are shown in Table 1 with typical characteristics of high-priority projects.

Table 1: Evaluation Criteria for Projects

Access & Connectivity	Safety & Comfort	Community & TC Input
- Closes substantial gap in network likely to have high user demand - Improves capacity of high-demand facility	- Significantly improves substandard facility - Low existing comfort rating (1-2) - High collision rate	- Large number of “top 3” rankings from community outreach - TC recommendations

Priority projects are next set of projects that staff would work to develop. They are divided into categories based on their status:

- Fully Funded & In Progress Capital Projects (*Not Part of ATP*)
- Priority Projects: Under Development
- Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated

Table 2 shows active transportation capital projects that are fully funded and in progress. They are listed here for context, but due to their status nearing completion they are not included in the project list for the ATP.

Table 2: Fully Funded & In Progress Capital Projects (*Not Part of ATP*)

Type	Project
Biking/Rolling	Marin Avenue Paving
Biking/Rolling	Jackson Bikeway
Biking/Rolling	Cleveland Cycle Track

Table 3 shows priority projects that are currently under development but not fully funded or ready for implementation. Projects are listed by type and then alphabetically and are not in prioritized order.

Table 3: Priority Projects, Under Development

Type	Project
Pedestrian	Santa Fe Ave Pedestrian Corridor
Pedestrian	Thousand Oaks Blvd Sidewalk
Pedestrian	Uptown Solano Ave ADA Curb Ramps
Biking/Rolling	Adams-Clay Bikeway
Biking/Rolling	Kains Ave Bikeway
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Cleveland-Pierce Path

Table 4 shows priority projects that are not yet initiated, having completed only preliminary or very limited planning and conceptual development work. Projects are listed by type and then alphabetically and are not in prioritized order.

Table 4: Priority Projects, Not Yet Initiated

Type	Project
Pedestrian & Biking/Rolling	Uptown Solano Ave Streetscape Improvements <i>(Pedestrian and biking/rolling projects combined into single streetscape project)</i>
Pedestrian	Cleveland Ave Pedestrian Corridor
Pedestrian	Garfield Ave-Ohlone Sidewalk Gap
Pedestrian	Hillside Ave Sidewalk Gap
Pedestrian	Pierce St South Pedestrian Corridor
Biking/Rolling	Adams-Carlson Bikeway Connection
Biking/Rolling	Jackson-Adams Bikeway Connection
Biking/Rolling	Key Route Blvd Bikeway
Biking/Rolling	Marin Ave Bikeway
Biking/Rolling	San Pablo Ave Cycle Track & Marin Intersection
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Bay Trail Junctions
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Ohlone Greenway Expansion
School Access	Albany Middle School Access Improvements
School Access	Cornell Elementary School Access Improvements
School Access	Marin Elementary School Access Improvements
School Access	Ocean View Elementary School Access & Buchanan Crossing Improvements

Two projects received a lot of public comment but are not proposed to be included in the priority project list:

- **San Pablo Avenue Bikeway:** Recommended by the TC for inclusion as a long-term vision, acknowledging that this is a both transit-priority corridor and a state highway under Caltrans jurisdiction that crosses through several cities.
- **Downtown Solano Avenue Bikeway & Streetscape Improvements:** Recommended by the TC for prioritization after streetscape improvements are made to Uptown Solano Avenue given that this segment has received more-recent improvements.

Program Identification & Prioritization

Program Identification

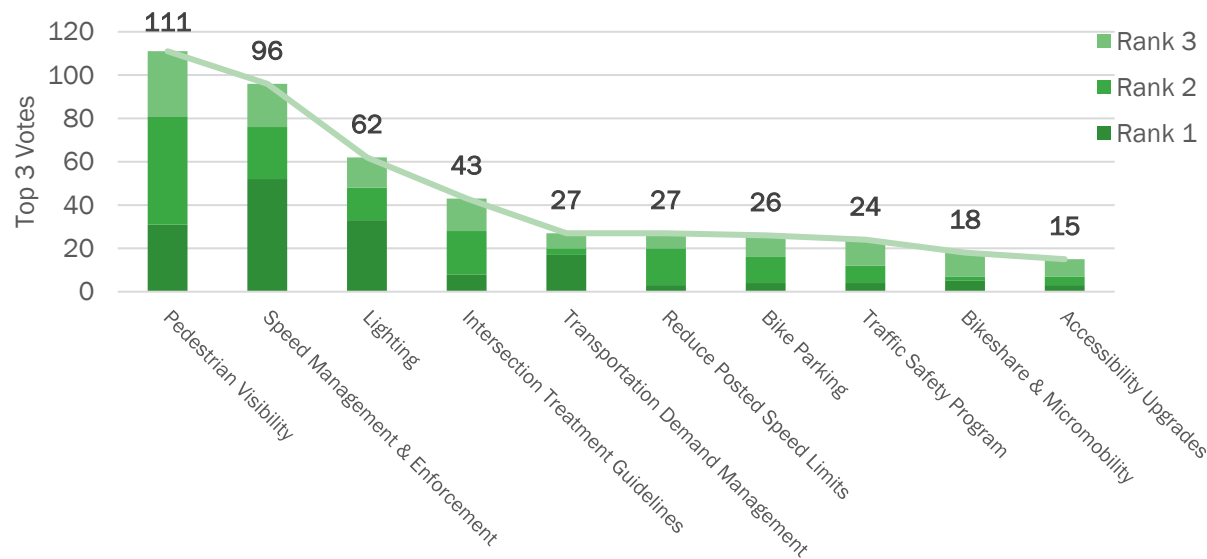
Beyond planning physical facilities for active transportation, the project team also developed a slate of potential programs that will support ATP goals, policies, and network buildout. The programs are listed below, with more details attached to this memo:

- Transportation Demand Management
 - Navigation & Wayfinding
 - Educational Programs
 - Speed Management & Enforcement
 - Reduce Posted Speed Limits
 - Lighting
 - Bike Parking
- Intersection Treatment Guidelines
 - Pedestrian Visibility
 - Traffic Safety Program
 - Accessibility Upgrades
 - Bikeshare & Micromobility
 - Railroad Safety (*Added on TC Recommendation*)

Community Input on Programs

The project team gathered 167 public responses ranking their top program priorities, with the results shown in Figure 5.

Figure 5: Sum of “Top 3” Community Votes, Programs (167 Responses)



Program Prioritization

The programs were evaluated by the project team, TC, and community stakeholders to identify the highest-priority programs to recommend for inclusion in the City’s future work program. The evaluation criteria are shown in Table 5 with the typical characteristics of high-priority programs.

Table 5: Prioritization Criteria for Programs

Benefit	Cost	Community & TC Input
▪ Relatively high benefit to achieve ATP goals	▪ Relatively low cost to implement and maintain	▪ Many supportive votes & comments

Table 6 shows the priority programs that resulted from the evaluation process. The full program list with descriptions is attached to the end of this memo. Programs are listed alphabetically and are not in prioritized order.

Table 6: Priority Programs

Program	Description
Lighting	Continue to implement recommendations of the City of Albany Street Lighting Evaluation (2024).
Pedestrian Visibility	Maintain clear visibility at intersections and driveways through installation of raised elements (curbs, posts, bumps) in high-activity areas to ensure adequate sightlines.
Railroad Safety <i>(Added on TC Recommendation)</i>	Coordinate with rail operators, public agencies, and schools to support and expand existing safety programs, improve crossing visibility and treatments, and increase public awareness of safe behaviors near rail facilities.
Speed Management & Enforcement	Update the traffic calming and speed management program to implement improvements proactively through an evaluation process.

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Project Type	Project Name	Short Project Description	Priority Status
Pedestrian & Biking/Rolling	Uptown Solano Ave Streetscape Improvements	Streetscape improvement project (including pavement, drainage, lighting, green infrastructure), eastbound/uphill protected bikeway, westbound/downhill shared lane with parking converted to parallel, traffic signal improvements at Solano/Santa Fe, consider signal at Solano/Peralta	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Pedestrian	Santa Fe Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at Santa Fe/Key Route and Santa Fe/Marin; traffic signal improvements at Santa Fe/Solano	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Pedestrian	Thousand Oaks Blvd Sidewalk	Install 5' sidewalks where missing (north side of Memorial Park)	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Pedestrian	Uptown Solano Ave ADA Curb Ramps	Upgrade curb ramps between Key Route and Tulare	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Pedestrian	Cleveland Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Install 5' sidewalks where missing, address parking on sidewalk through enforcement	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Pedestrian	Garfield Ave-Ohlone Sidewalk Gap	Pedestrian crossing connecting Garfield Ave to Ohlone Greenway across Masonic Ave including 5' sidewalk connections where missing	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Pedestrian	Hillside Ave Sidewalk Gap	Install 5' sidewalks where missing	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Pedestrian	Pierce St South Pedestrian Corridor	Address parking on sidewalk by establishing new parking lanes and parking restrictions	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Pedestrian	Brighton St Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience, particularly on school side; school-time traffic restrictions OR other circulation changes by Albany Middle School	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Buchanan Complete Streets Improvements	Intersection improvements at Buchanan/Pierce, Buchanan/Jackson and Buchanan/Taylor; improve pedestrian experience	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Cerrito Creek Pedestrian Connection	Pedestrian path connecting from Orientation Center path at Adams to Albany Hill Trails along south side of Cerrito Creek	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Dartmouth St-Francis St Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience, include short segments on Santa Fe and Pomona	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Downtown Solano Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at Solano/Jackson; evaluate potential closure of motor vehicles between Adams and San Pablo	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Jackson St North Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, crossing improvements at Jackson/Solano, improve pedestrian experience, particularly near Albany Children's Center	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Key Route Blvd Pedestrian Corridor	Install median stops for cross-streets where missing; mid-block crossing between street median and High School for student use; improve pedestrian experience	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Lower Marin Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at San Pablo/Marin, additional intersection improvements at Marin/Talbot	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Peralta Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience, consider signal at Solano/Peralta	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Pierce St North Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Portland Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Posen Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Improve pedestrian access routes, improve pedestrian experience	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Sonoma Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at Sonoma/Curtis	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Talbot Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at Talbot/Marin and Talbot/Solano; widen sidewalks and/or loading areas around school	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Upper Marin Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Intersection improvements at Marin/Santa Fe and Marin/Curtis	3 Other Identified Projects
Pedestrian	Washington Ave Pedestrian Corridor	Address parking on sidewalk by establishing new parking lanes and/or restrictions	3 Other Identified Projects

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Biking/Rolling	Adams-Clay Bikeway	One-way motor vehicle traffic, contraflow bike lane	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Biking/Rolling	Kains Ave Bikeway	One-way motor vehicle traffic, contraflow bike lane	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Biking/Rolling	Adams-Carlson Bikeway Connection	Biking/rolling connection across Cerrito Creek connecting to Carlson St in El Cerrito	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Biking/Rolling	Jackson-Adams Bikeway Connection	Two-way separated bikeway along Buchanan between Jackson and Adams, intersection improvements at Buchanan/Pierce and Buchanan/Jackson	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Biking/Rolling	Key Route Blvd Bikeway	Protected bikeway OR striped/buffered bike lanes OR median path	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Biking/Rolling	Marin Ave Bikeway	Protected bikeway, intersection improvements at Marin/San Pablo, Marin/Talbot & Marin/Curtis	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Biking/Rolling	San Pablo Ave Cycle Track & Marin Intersection	Extension of two-way cycle track along San Pablo from Sprouts to Marin, intersection improvements at San Pablo/Marin	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Biking/Rolling	Brighton St Bikeway	Protected bikeway OR striped/buffered bike lanes	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Buchanan-Eastshore Undercrossing	Improved connection between Buchanan path and Eastshore (e.g. lighting, motor vehicle access restrictions, wayfinding)	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Carmel Ave Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Cleveland Ave Bikeway	Two-way protected bikeway OR striped bike lane	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Curtis St Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Dartmouth St-Francis St Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Downtown Solano Ave Bikeway	Eastbound/uphill protected bikeway, westbound/downhill shared lane with parking converted to parallel, intersection improvement at Solano/Talbot	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Eastshore Hwy Bikeway	Protected bikeway OR striped bike lanes	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Jackson St North Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments; potential northbound bike lane (Solano to Buchanan)	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Jackson St South Bikeway	Two-way protected bikeway along Jackson St, connection to Codornices Creek Path, biking/rolling connection to Berkeley bike network	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Peralta Ave Bikeway	Traffic calming for shared facility; protected bikeway OR striped bike lanes between Francis & Posen with intersection improvements at Peralta/Posen	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Portland Ave Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments OR protected bikeway OR striped/buffered bike lanes, intersection improvements at Portland/Kains and Portland/Curtis	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Posen Ave Bikeway	Traffic calming to limit vehicle speeds; coordinate with Berkeley on facility connections	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	San Pablo Ave Bikeway	Protected bikeway along extent of San Pablo Avenue	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Spokane-Behrens Bikeway Connection	Biking/rolling connection between Spokane and Behrens St (in coordination with El Cerrito)	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Talbot Ave Bikeway	Contraflow bike lane (North of Brighton); school-time traffic restrictions OR other circulation changes (between Solano and Marin)	3 Other Identified Projects
Biking/Rolling	Washington Ave Bikeway	Bike boulevard treatments OR protected bikeway OR striped/buffered bike lanes; intersection improvements at Washington/Adams, Washington/Kains and Washington/Curtis	3 Other Identified Projects

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Multi-Use Path/Trail	Cleveland-Pierce Path	Multi-use path connecting Cleveland Ave to Pierce St via Pierce St Park	1 Priority Projects: Under Development
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Bay Trail Junctions	Improve trail junctions at Albany Bulb entrance and I-580 off-ramp intersection	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Ohlone Greenway Expansion	Widen facility and better separate modes, combine with improvements to Masonic Ave, create direct connection to Albany Middle School	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Clay Connection	Trail/stairs connecting Jackson to Madison via public right-of-way	3 Other Identified Projects
Multi-Use Path/Trail	Village Creek Path	Multi-use path connecting Jackson St to existing path adjacent to Sprouts grocery	3 Other Identified Projects
School Access	Albany Middle School Access Improvements	Direct bike/ped/ADA connection between the Ohlone Greenway, Albany Middle School, and Cougar Field; consider vehicle loading and circulation changes/restrictions along Brighton and San Gabriel	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
School Access	Cornell Elementary School Access Improvements	Intersection improvements at Solano/Talbot and Solano/Cornell, consider vehicle circulation and bike/ped school access changes	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
School Access	Marin Elementary School Access Improvements	Intersection improvements at Marin/Santa Fe, Marin/Curtis, and Curtis/Sonoma, improve pedestrian experience, consider vehicle loading and bike/ped school access changes	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
School Access	Ocean View Elementary School Access & Buchanan Crossing Improvements	Intersection improvements at Buchanan/Taylor, Buchanan/Jackson, Jackson/Solano	2 Priority Projects: Not Yet Initiated
School Access	Albany High School Access Improvements	Intersection improvements at Key Route/Portland, Portland/Ramona, Portland/Pomona, and Thousand Oaks/Key Route, mid-block pedestrian crossing and traffic calming along Key Route	3 Other Identified Projects

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Program	Description	Priority Status
Lighting	Continue to implement recommendations of the City of Albany Street Lighting Evaluation (2024).	Priority
Pedestrian Visibility	Maintain clear visibility at intersections and driveways through installation of raised elements (curbs, posts, bumps) in high-activity areas to ensure adequate sightlines.	Priority
Railroad Safety (Added on TC Recommendation)	Coordinate with rail operators, public agencies, and schools to support and expand existing safety programs, improve crossing visibility and treatments, and increase public awareness of safe behaviors near rail facilities.	Priority
Speed Management & Enforcement	Update the traffic calming and speed management program to implement improvements proactively through an evaluation process.	Priority
Intersection Treatment Guidelines	Develop programmatic guidelines for the implementation of intersection treatments including "No Right on Red" restrictions.	
Transportation Demand Management	Identify and implement transportation demand management strategies to support mode shift with new development.	
Navigation & Wayfinding	Improve navigation and wayfinding resources, including physical signage and online resources.	
Educational Programs	Continue to support traffic-safety educational programs, including existing partnerships with Alameda County, AUSD, and other stakeholders.	
Reduce Posted Speed Limits	Conduct a citywide speed study and evaluate potential speed limit reductions permitted under recent state law.	
Bike Parking	Install additional bike parking at high-activity locations citywide.	
Traffic Safety	Establish dedicated traffic safety funding, distinct from maintenance and capital project funding, to address traffic safety issues based on regular collision safety analysis and	
Bikeshare & Micromobility	Implement a bike-sharing or micromobility program, including potential partnerships with regional or neighboring jurisdictions.	
Accessibility Upgrades	Continue ongoing ADA program upgrades.	