

The Thoroughfare and Collector Street Plan map and Bicycle and Pedestrian System Plan map represent a network of current and future facilities that provide guidance on what is likely to be suitable for long term growth, connectivity, recreation, and active travel. The Transportation Plan does not require a schedule for implementation, nor does it set aside funding for improvements. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider proposed amendments to the Transportation Plan in order to make a decision.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider amendments to the Transportation Plan to:

- 1. Add a proposed local connector street that extends from the Turner Pines Drive stub to a proposed north-south residential street stub in the proposed Utley Farms subdivision.
- 2. Add a proposed side path along the east side of the proposed local connector as well as the proposed north-south residential street in the proposed Utley Farm subdivision.

A map of the proposed amendment to the Thoroughfare and Collector Street Plan map is displayed in Figure 1 below.



Figure 1. Proposed Thoroughfare and Collector Street Plan Map Amendment



A map of the proposed amendment to the Bicycle and Pedestrian System Plan map is displayed in Figure 2 below.



Figure 2. Proposed Bicycle and Pedestrian System Plan Map Amendment

The purpose of these amendments is to extend the existing side path along the east side of Turner Pines Drive south to the proposed Utley Farms subdivision and plan for a future side path between the two stub streets, if these parcels redevelop. The proposed addition of the north-south local connector street is needed in order to show this side path extension. The proposed alignment of the local connector avoids existing structures, though this street would not be built unless the parcels redevelop in the future.

The Utley Farms subdivision developer has agreed to construct side path along the east side of the proposed residential street that would connect to the proposed local connector if the amendment is approved.

Staff Recommendation:

Planning Department staff recommend approval of the proposed amendments.

Planning Board Recommendation:

The Planning Board heard this item at their August 14, 2023 meeting and voted 7-1 to approve the proposed amendments as presented. Tina Sherman, Planning Board Member, gave the dissenting vote based on her recommendation for the local connector alignment to be reconsidered, taking into account the neighbor's concerns.