

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR INSTALLATION OF CLASS IIB BUFFERED BICYCLE LANES ON EL CAMINO REAL WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AS PART OF CALTRANS STREET RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULED FOR SUMMER 2023 AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) plans to resurface El Camino Real between Palo Alto and Mountain View in the Summer of 2023; and

WHEREAS, if the City Council supports the action, Caltrans is prepared to install Class IIB buffered bicycle lanes along El Camino Real within the City of Los Altos; and

WHEREAS, the costs related to the physical installation of bicycle lanes on El Camino Real is being funded wholly by Caltrans through a combination of State and grant funding, including all signage and striping improvements; and

WHEREAS, at its August 10, 2021 meeting, the Complete Streets Commission unanimously agreed to forward a recommendation to the City Council in favor of the proposed installation of Class IIB buffered bicycle lanes along El Camino Real; and

WHEREAS, installation of Class IIB buffered bicycle lanes would require removal of 248 on-street parking spaces along El Camino Real; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2021, staff conducted a community outreach meeting attended by approximately a dozen residents and business owners to discuss the proposed removal of on-street parking spaces along El Camino Real; and

WHEREAS, the City hired a traffic consultant, Traffic Patterns, to analyze the impact of removing on-street parking spaces, and the analysis determined that there appears to be adequate alternative parking available; and

WHEREAS, providing Class IIB buffered bicycle lanes would improve bicyclist and traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, lane restriping along El Camino Real for bicycle traffic is exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) in that it entails minor alterations to existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former uses, it would not create additional automobile lanes, and none of the circumstances described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 would apply.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby finds that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and expresses its support

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for the installation of Class IIB bicycle lanes on El Camino Real, as currently proposed by Caltrans.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on the ____ day of ____, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Anita Enander, MAYOR

Attest:

Andrea Chelemengos, MMC, CITY CLERK