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From: [Sarah Tollman](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 5 - Tuesday, March 22, 2022
Date: Thursday, March 17, 2022 12:56:17 PM

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing to express my support for the proposed bike lanes on El Camino. Safe bicycle routes are imperative to supporting emissions-free modes of transportation, which is crucial to combating climate change. Roads are designed for travel, not car storage, and should be designed to support multiple modes of travel, not just car travel. I often commute by bicycle to my office in Mountain View, and a bike lane on El Camino that connects up to bike lanes in Mountain View would make my route shorter and safer, increasing the frequency with which I commute by bicycle, and decreasing my carbon footprint. The same is true of many other commuters; a bike lane on El Camino would be a step in the right direction towards encouraging bicycling as a mode of transportation and combating climate change.

Best wishes,
Sarah Tollman

From: [Thomas Herget](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
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Dear Representatives;

we know that as we build safer bike facilities, more people ride on them, which creates pressure for better facilities, which bring more riders.... It's a virtuous circle. I am heavily supporting the El Camino bike project.

Thanks and regards

thomas

Thomas Herget, PhD



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From: [Piyush Shah](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
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I support better bike lanes on
El Camino to make commuting easier and better

I would get rid of a car if I could do shopping safely on San Antonio, el Camino area

Also connecting bike lanes between peninsula cities could cut down on traffic

- Support the bike lanes
- We need more bike facilities
- Roads are for travel, not for car storage
- We'll connect up to bike lanes in Mountain View to make a connected bike route
- Driving solo in a car is driving with Putin—ride a bike
- To combat climate change we need to encourage cycling

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From: [Martin Gothberg](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 5 - Tuesday, March 22, 2022
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I grew up in Los Altos and live nearby. As a bicycling enthusiast who uses his bicycles for transportation and exercise, I support a Bicycle Superhighway!

Cycle commuters who live near El Camino, and those who need to get to destinations on El Camino, need a safe route. Some of us don't drive all that much anymore.

We know that as we build safer bikeways, more people ride on them, which creates pressure for better facilities, which bring more riders.... It's a virtuous circle.

Drivers are going to protest the removal of parking, but using publicly owned roads for public travel makes more sense than using publicly owned roads for private car storage. The roads belong to all of us. We should all be able to SAFELY use them.

You know the trend for creating a more sustainable city. Let's follow it!

Martin Gothberg
LAHS Class of 1975

From: [Tim Oey](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 5 El Camino Real Bike Lanes - March 22, 2022
Date: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 11:31:02 PM

Dear Los Altos City Council,

Please vote in favor of the Resolution supporting Class IIB - Buffered Bicycle Lane Installation on El Camino Real – City Limits between Adobe Creek and ~500-FT South of Rengstorff Avenue as part of Caltrans Street Resurfacing Improvements scheduled for Summer 2023.

I strongly support removing parking along El Camino Real and putting in these buffered bike lanes.

I bike on El Camino and all over Los Altos to teach people how to bicycle, to go to restaurants, to visit friends, and to visit the library. While I'm a strong and confident bicyclist and have biked the entire length of El Camino from San Francisco to San Jose, most bicyclists do not have my skills.

We must make it easier for regular people and kids to bicycle wherever they need to go safely. There are many, many businesses and other destinations along El Camino that people need to get to and be able to bike there safely.

Bicycling does more to reduce climate change, improve health, save lives, and save money than any other form of transportation.

It makes far more sense to use our roadways for moving people rather than for storing motor vehicles. There is also plenty of parking in parking lots along El Camino.

Motor vehicles kill about 40,000 people a year in the US. Bicycles don't. And that 40,000 is inconsequential compared to the billions of lives threatened by climate change.

Please vote to approve bike lanes on this stretch of El Camino Real. Thanks!

Sincerely,
Tim Oey