

MARY AVENUE OVERCROSSING

Environmental Impact Report

Notice of Preparation Scoping Meeting

October 20, 2021



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Introductions

City of Sunnyvale

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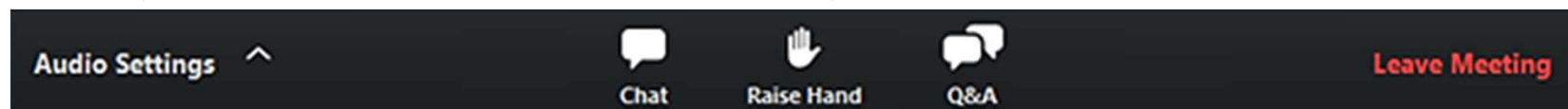
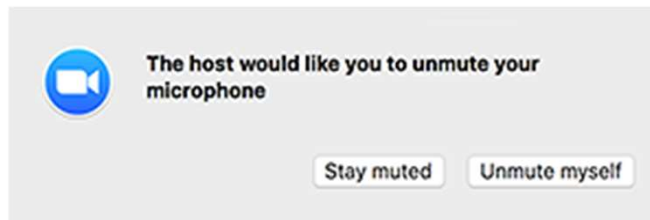
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Presentation Outline

- California Environmental Quality Act
- Purpose of Scoping Meeting
- Project Description
- Environmental Issues To Be Analyzed
- CEQA Process and Preliminary Schedule
- Opportunities to Comment
- Contact Information



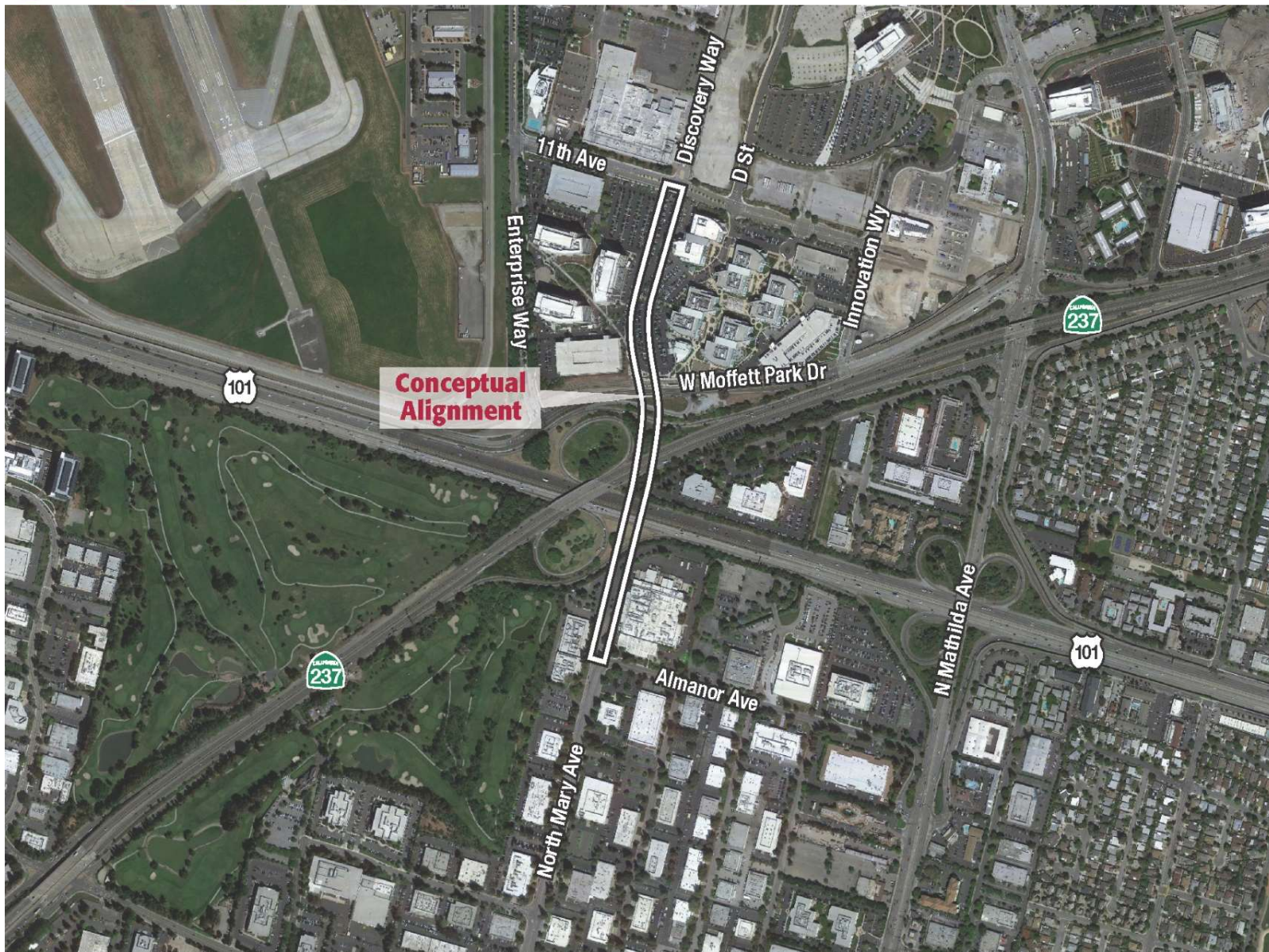
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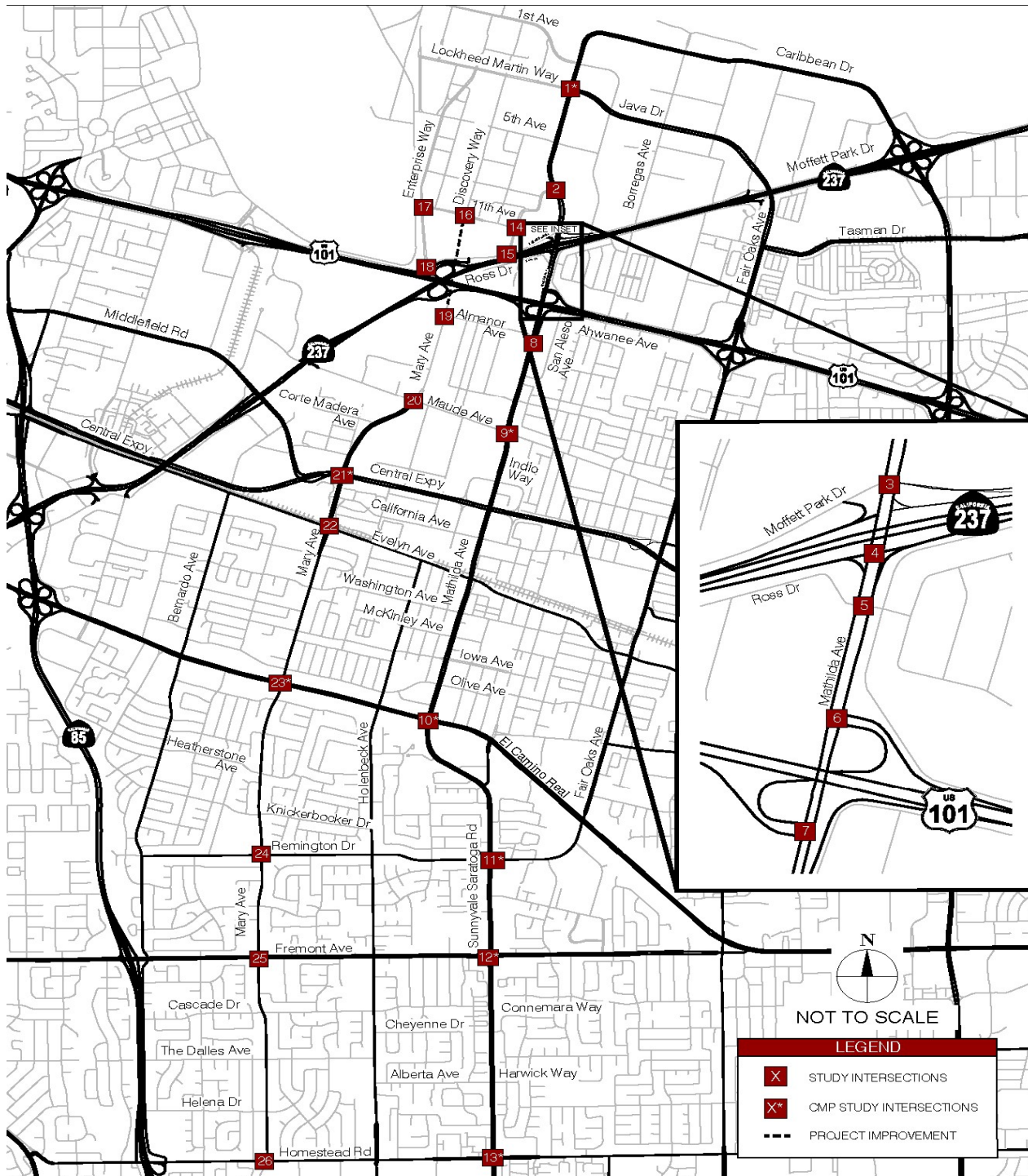
- Purpose of CEQA:
 - Inform governmental decision makers and the public
 - Identify ways environmental impacts can be reduced or avoided
 - Prevent significant environmental impacts by requiring changes, alternatives, or mitigation measures
 - Disclose to the public why a project was approved if the project involves significant impacts



Purpose of Scoping Meeting

- Inform the public of the proposed project.
- Disclose the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and the potential impacts being reviewed
- Solicit guidance from the public and agencies on environmental issues via comments on the Notice of Preparation
- **Public Comment Period – 30 Days**
 - October 8 to November 8, 2021



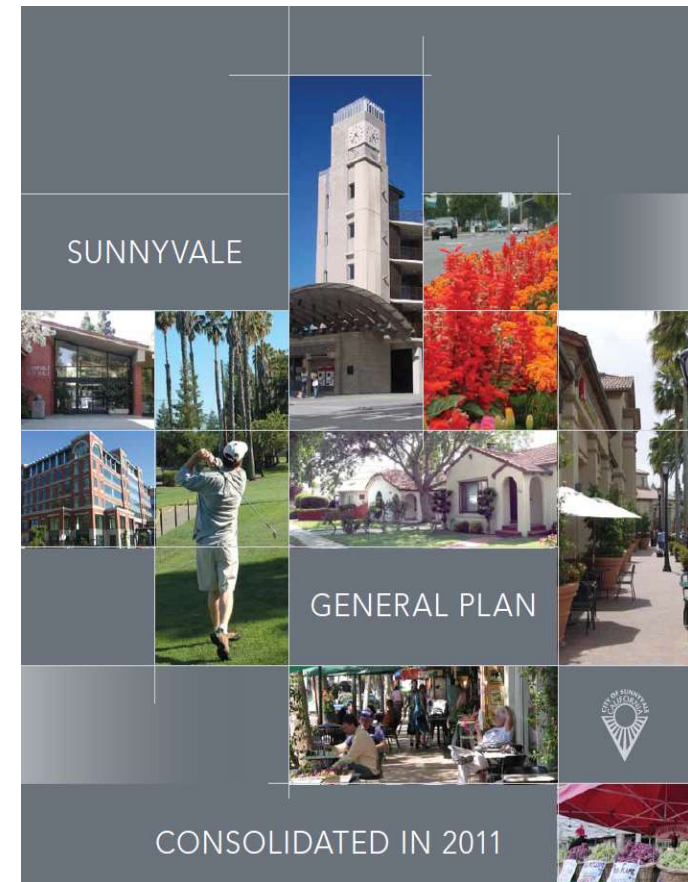


Study Intersections



Sunnyvale Plans Referring to the Project

- General Plan 1972, 2011
- Land Use and Transportation Element 1981, 1997, 2017
- Specific Plans 2004, 2013, 2016
- Transportation Impact Fee 2005





Project Description

One Proposed Project and Four Alternatives

Proposed Project: Two high occupancy vehicles (HOV) lanes
plus protected bike facilities and sidewalks

Alternative 1: Four auto travel lanes plus protected bike
facilities and sidewalks

Alternative 2: Two auto travel lanes plus protected bike
facilities and sidewalks

Alternative 3: Pedestrian / bicycle crossing (no automobiles)

Alternative 4: Removal from the General Plan (no project)



Class IV Separated Bike Lanes (2-way)



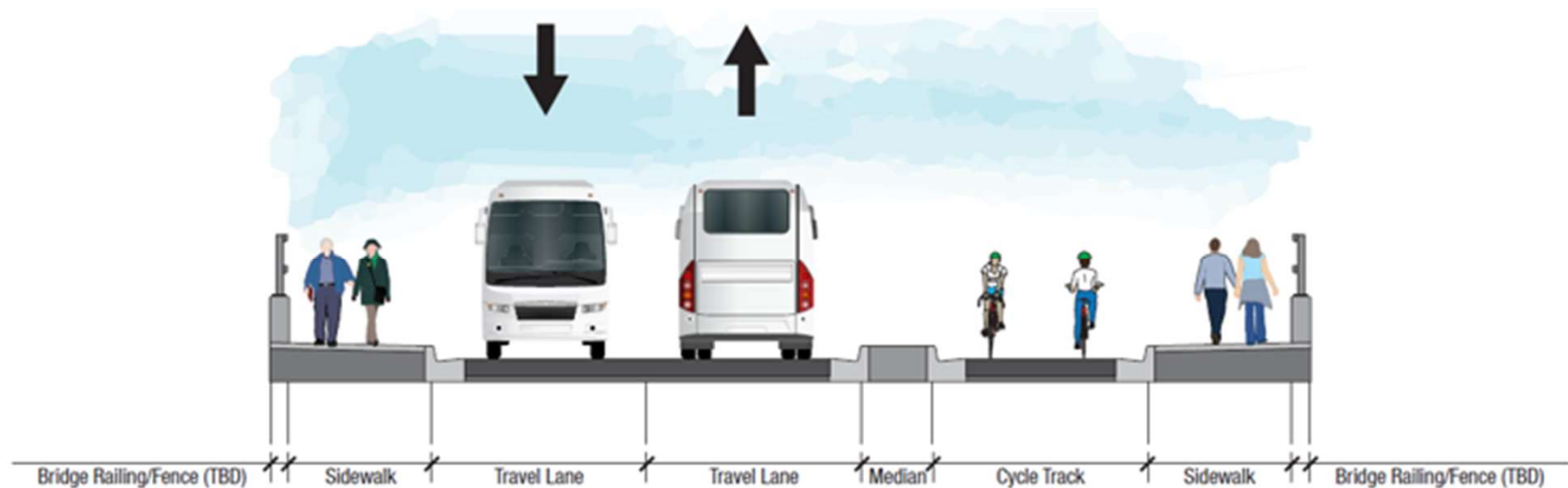


Class IV Cycle Track



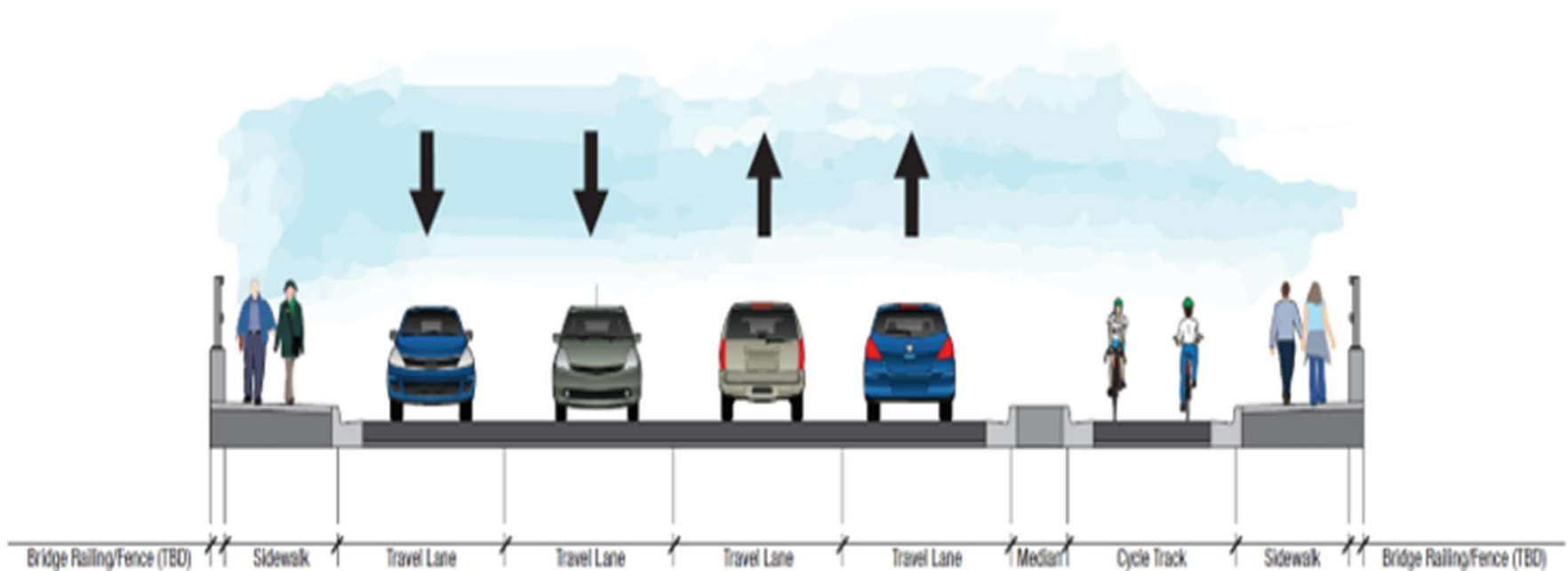


Proposed Project. HOV/Pedestrian/Bike Overcrossing



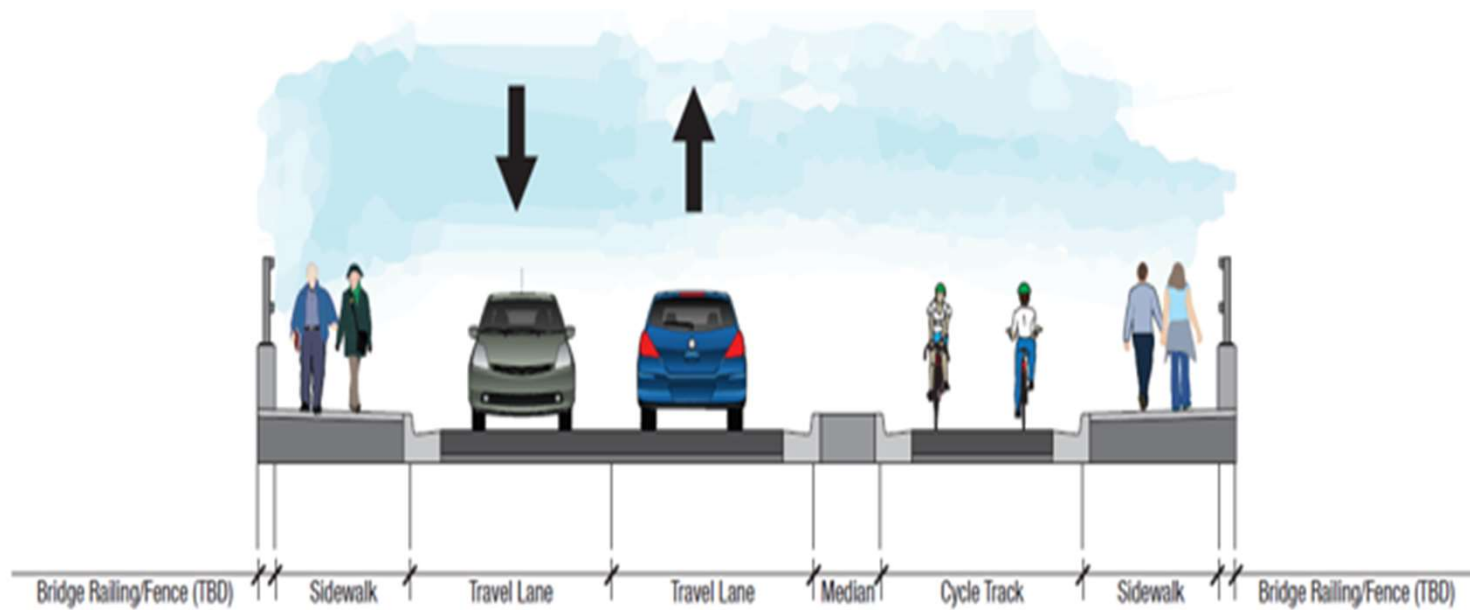


Alternative 1. Four Lane Mary Avenue



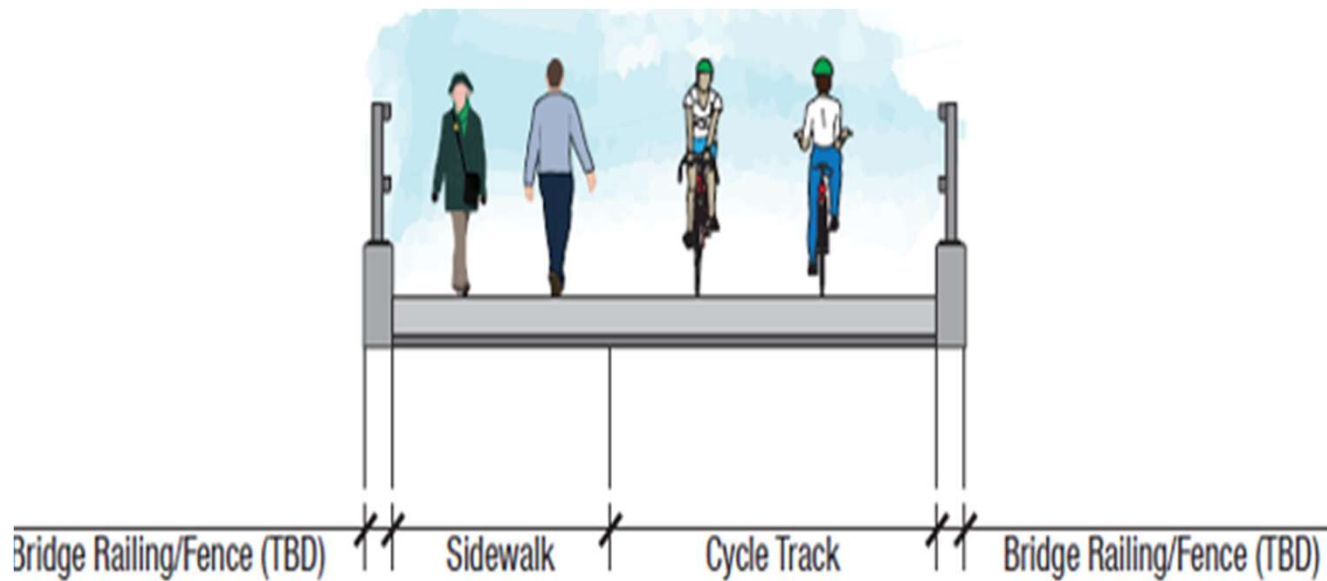


Alternative 2. Two Lane Mary Avenue





Alternative 3. Pedestrian/Bike Overcrossing





Alternative 4. Remove From General Plan

- No project would occur
- Existing conditions would remain



Environmental Issues To Be Analyzed

- Aesthetics and visual character
- Air quality
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources: historical and archaeological
- Energy conservation
- Geology and soils
- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Hazards and hazardous materials
- Hydrology and water quality
- Land use and planning
- Noise
- Public services: fire, police, schools, and parks
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal cultural resources
- Utilities and service systems



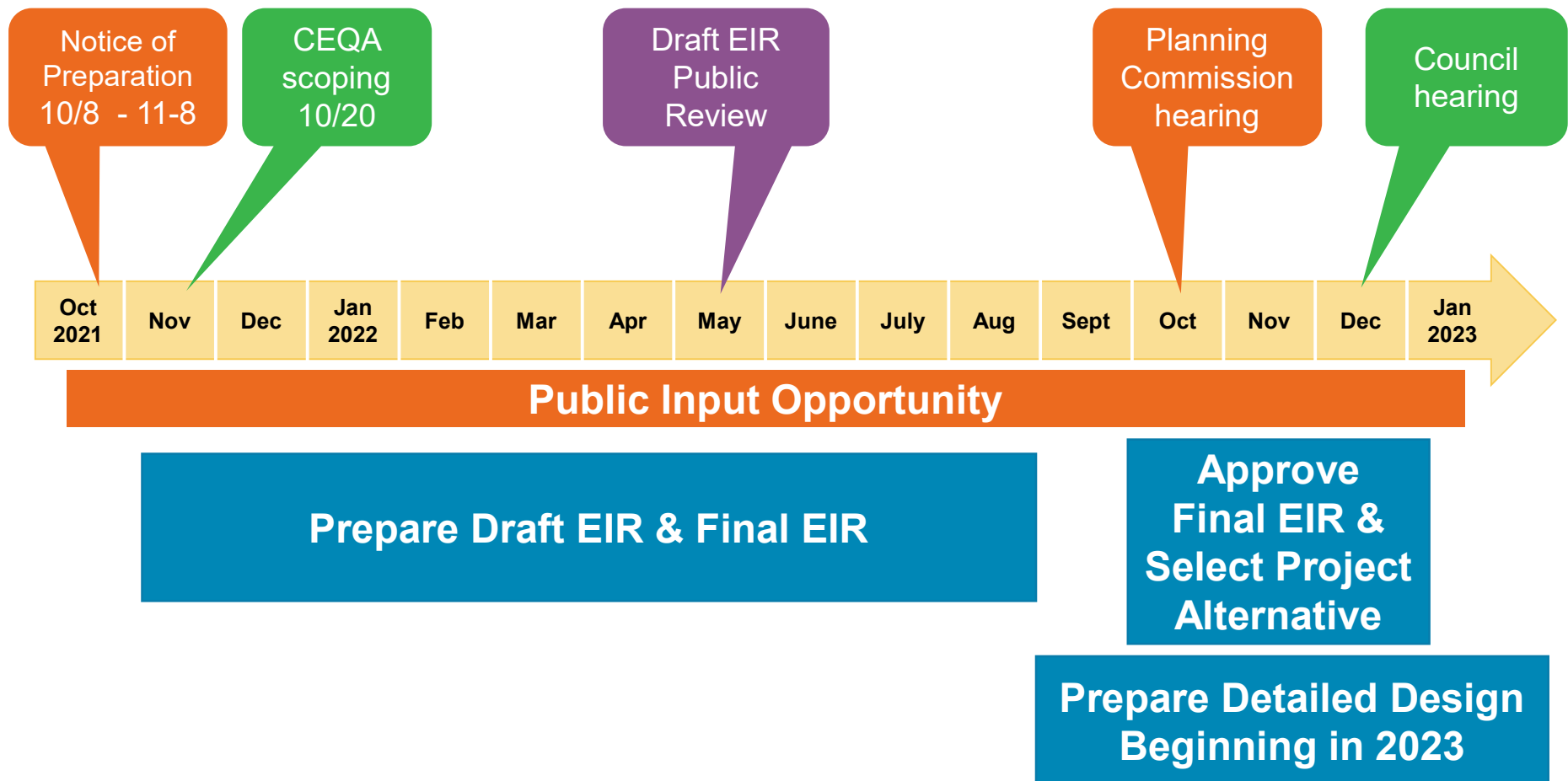
Technical Studies

Studies Currently in Process:

- Traffic impact analysis
- Air quality
- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Noise
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources



Proposed Project Schedule





Guide to Making Helpful NOP Comments

- Comments are most helpful when they identify:

- Significant environmental issues

- Reasonable alternatives

- Mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts



Providing Input on the NOP

Please submit comments to:

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OR

Email: aobeso@sunnyvale.ca.gov



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Search for **Mary Avenue Overcrossing** to:

- Stay informed by **Subscribing to the Mailing List**

The screenshot shows the Sunnyvale website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Pay & Apply', 'Access Sunnyvale', 'Subscribe', 'color contrast', 'low graphics', a 'Translate' button, and a search bar. Below this is the Sunnyvale logo and a row of service links: 'Your Government', 'Recreation and Community', 'Homes, Streets and Property', 'News Center and Events Calendar', 'Business and Development', and 'City Services'. The main content area is titled 'Mary Avenue Overcrossing' and includes a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Business and Development > Projects in Sunnyvale > Mary Avenue Overcrossing'. A 'Share' button is visible in the top right of the content area. On the left, there is an 'Explore' sidebar with a list of projects, including 'Mary Avenue Overcrossing'. The main text describes the project's goals to relieve traffic congestion and improve multimodal access. It also includes a 'Contact' section for Angela Obeso, Principal Transportation Engineer. At the bottom, there is a 'Progress' section with tabs for 'Progress', 'Details', 'Documents', and 'Background'. The 'Progress' tab is active, showing information about the project's conceptual design options and the council's selection process. A 'Website Feedback' button is located in the bottom right corner.

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- Fair Oaks Park Renovation
- Google Caribbean
- Lakeside Apartment-Hotel
- Lakewood Branch Library
- Mary Avenue Overcrossing
- Plaza del Sol
- Washington Community Swim Center

Mary Avenue Overcrossing

The Mary Avenue Overcrossing project aims to relieve north-south traffic congestion in Sunnyvale, improve multimodal access between Moffett Park and other areas, and support smart growth in Moffett Park area.

The project would provide a multimodal connection from Mary and Almanor avenues, over US-101, SR-237 and Moffett Park LRT Station to 11th Avenue and Discovery Way (formerly E Street) in Moffett Park.

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Contact

[Angela Obeso](#), Principal Transportation Engineer, 408-730-7557

Progress Details Documents Background

Progress

There are five different options for the project's conceptual design. This includes not doing the project. Council needed to select a project option for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

On April 20, Council chose one of the options for the EIR. Council selected the option for two lanes for transit, shuttle, and high-occupancy vehicles. The option includes sidewalks and separate cycle track. But, the City will study all five options, any of which may become the design. For all project options and to see an example of a cycle track see Details tab.

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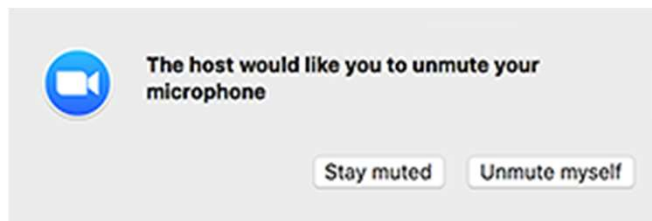
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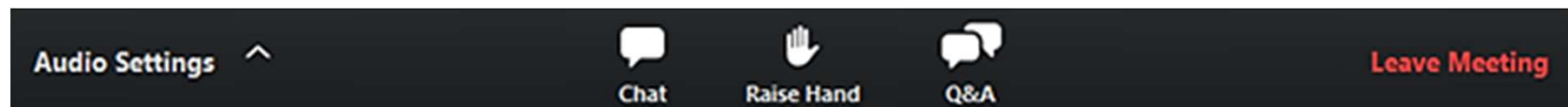
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Discussion Questions

- What environmental issues would you like to see addressed in the EIR?
- Do you have any environmental concerns with a specific option?
 - Which option?
 - What are the significant environmental issues?
 - Can you suggest reasonable project alternatives to avoid impacts?
 - What mitigation measures would minimize these impacts?
- Are there any groups or agencies you suggest we consult/ contact in conjunction with preparation of the EIR?