

## EPC Questions – April 7, 2021

### Item 5.1 - Review of the Council Strategic Roadmap and 2020 General Plan Progress Report

1. How has COVID-19 and the current state of Castro Street impacted the Castro Pedestrian Mall Feasibility Study?

The original schedule aimed to complete the Castro Pedestrian Mall Feasibility Study by February 2021, but work on the Study was impacted by Covid-19 and the Castro StrEats program. However, the City staff/consultant team has recently reinitiated the work. Further analysis and completion of the study will occur based on Council feedback and prioritization of the work when CC reviews the CIP list.

2. What mental health crisis response methods does the City of Mountain View currently offer residents?

More than 50 percent of Mountain View police officers are certified in Crisis Intervention Team training; however, the purpose of this project is to explore alternative response methods that do not involve law enforcement/police officers. The City currently has no such method.

3. What input was given at the community meetings from community members? Were there any items that the general population highlighted as particularly important to them?

CivicMakers, the City's consultant synthesized the public input, city council input, and City staff input to draft a vision and strategic priorities. You may view their update on public input in the recording of the March 16, 2021 City Council meeting: <https://youtu.be/HfVeSCH2rqU?t=10649>. You may also see the staff report from March 16 to view the proposed Vision and Strategic Priorities that were presented: <https://mountainview.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4852030&GUID=E9A16D7E-381A-44CD-8817-FFC3DBADEF63&Options=&Search>.

4. Is it possible that the conversion of the Crestview Hotel would be included under a "comprehensive Homelessness Response strategy"?

The City is working with the County on the Crestview Hotel opportunity for affordable housing. There are several steps to this process that would need to occur for this to happen, including the County successfully acquiring the hotel and the City and County determining the affordable housing program, which would be informed by public input. If the units include rapid rehousing in the future, then

Crestview would be included under a comprehensive Homelessness Response strategy.

5. Of the 46 projects listed in Exhibit 4 that you'd like us to choose 16 priority projects, I see that many are carry-forward projects. Does that mean that those projects will move forward regardless of whether the EPC votes to continue them?

All projects on the list, including those that are listed as carry-forward, could potentially be removed from the work plan. EPC is requested to consider the entire project list. The final recommendation to the City Council for which projects to include on the new work plan will consider advisory body input on what projects are most important and staff's input on what is most feasible to undertake given existing staff resources.