

Grant Road-Sylvan Area Neighborhoods Meeting Wednesday, May 15, 2024

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE UPDATE

Council Work Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-24 and 2024-25

The City Council adopted its next two-year Council work plan on June 13, 2023. The new work plan is planned for implementation through June 2025 and includes 41 critical projects organized into priority categories. The Council work plan projects were chosen to advance Council's Strategic Priorities, seven high-impact policy areas identified by Council in collaboration with the community. These priorities are: Community for All, Intentional Development & Housing Options, Mobility & Connectivity, Sustainability & Climate Resiliency, Livability & Quality of Life, Economic Vitality, and Organizational Strength & Good Governance. During the implementation of the work plan, Council and the community will receive regular updates from City staff on the projects' progress. The first update took place at the City Council's February 27, 2024 meeting.

Community Survey to Assess Local Internet Services

The City is working with a consultant to conduct a study of internet availability, access, and affordability as part of a Citywide broadband needs assessment in support of the City's "Community for All" Strategic Priority. The City is seeking to gather first-hand information through the survey to determine how household and business access to high-speed and affordable internet service can be improved. The consultant will assess public assets, evaluate the broadband market, and conduct a gap analysis to help the City support equitable broadband service to business and residential communities.

Information from the survey will only be used for broadband planning purposes and will not be shared with any other entity. No personal information is required to complete the survey, which will run through 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, June 9. The needs assessment is scheduled to be completed in fall 2024, and the City will share updated information as it becomes available. Access the online survey, which is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Russian at www.MountainView.gov/Broadband.

Potential Revenue Ballot Measure for 2024

Mountain View is fortunate that its fiscal stewardship over the years has historically produced sufficient financial resources to maintain the high-quality services enjoyed by Mountain View residents today.

The Mountain View of tomorrow will require addressing aging facilities and Citywide infrastructure, maintaining best-in-class public safety, improving pedestrian and cyclist safety and access, implementing ambitious decarbonization and climate change mitigation programs, continuing to build more affordable housing, and building new parks and open spaces.

As such, at the June 13, 2023 City Council meeting, Council approved the Fiscal Years 2023-24 and 2024-25 Council Work Plan, which included a Priority A work plan project to "explore the feasibility of a potential 2024 revenue measure."

To better understand which future priorities the residents of Mountain View believe should be addressed, the City engaged a polling firm to get resident input. This step is vital to ensuring that any revenue measure our residents are asked to potentially consider aligns with the community's hopes and dreams for the future of Mountain View.

The City Council met on May 14, 2024 to review the polling results. In the coming months, the City Council will take all this information under consideration and ultimately decide if our community would like the opportunity to vote on a revenue measure and the future of Mountain View. Together, we can build the Mountain View of tomorrow while maintaining our ongoing fiscal stability and high quality of services.

Work Force Development Funding

On May 9, 2023, the City Council approved nearly \$600,000 to support work-force development and job training programs. The funds will provide free web-based training courses and career coaching assistance available to all Mountain View residents through the Mountain View Public Library as well as 10 full scholarships and stipends for residents to finish their high school diplomas and complete certificates through Career Online High School, an 18-month, self-paced accredited high school program. Additionally, the Council funding will support preapprenticeship programs for the building trades, a cross-generational literacy program, career development for child-care providers, a micro-enterprise home kitchen operations training cohort, and other critical career counseling and job training programs. The community partners who will receive this funding are Working Partnerships USA, Mountain View Los Altos Union High School District, Mountain View Whisman School District, Foothill College, NOVAworks, Los Altos Mountain View Community Foundation, Reach SV, and the Day Worker Center of Mountain View.

Elevate MV Update

It was just over 18 months ago when the City of Mountain View launched Elevate MV, a two-year guaranteed basic income pilot program. The goal of Elevate MV is to empower participating low-income families and improve their financial security through a monthly direct cash payment of \$500 per month. To be eligible, applicants had to be a Mountain View resident, be extremely low-income, and be pregnant or a caregiver for at least one child under the age of 18 at the time of application.



All these months later, participants are reporting the difference this program is making in their lives. The monthly financial assistance has played a pivotal role in the well-being of participants' families. Program participants have enhanced their family relationships by not having to work multiple jobs so they can be more present in their children's lives or simply afford a weekend off and enjoy a leisure activity.

Data that is being collected from Elevate MV participants as part of a larger research effort has found participants spend the monthly cash payments in the following categories:

- 1. Retail sales and services (43%)
- 2. Food and groceries (37%)
- 3. Transportation-related expenses (7.5%)

At the end of December 2024, when the Elevate MV pilot program concludes, a report will be prepared that will provide insights into how participants used the funds to support their families. The report will also look at additional effects of unrestricted income on health, happiness, employment, and belonging in Mountain View.

For more information, visit MountainView.gov/ElevateMV.

Multicultural Engagement Program

The Multicultural Engagement Program (MEP) provides a broad range of services to the City's diverse community. Among their services, the MEP team provides translations for City outreach materials in Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, and Russian as well as interpretation at various community and City Council meetings.

In addition, the City is conducting its second session of the Chinese Language Civic Leadership Academy in spring 2024. The free, eight-week-long program for Chinese-speaking Mountain

View residents is designed to improve participants' understanding of local government and City services as well as encourage civic engagement, leadership, and volunteerism in the community. The Chinese Academy joins the successful Spanish Language Civic Leadership Academy, which held its fifth Spanish Academy session this past fall.

For more information, visit MountainView.gov/MEP.

Collaborate Mountain View

The City recently launched Collaborate Mountain View, an interactive digital space for our diverse community to share ideas, discuss important topics, and provide feedback on policies and plans that will help shape Mountain View's future.

This exciting new way to engage with the City is an all-in-one public participation platform to manage everything from consultation to collaboration. It makes it more convenient for everyone to provide feedback and work with the City on initiatives that interest or impact them. Projects currently on the site include the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan, Pickleball Study, Design and Construction Project, Electrify Mountain View, and California Street Pilot Program.

To participate in Collaborate Mountain View, visit Collaborate.MountainView.gov.

Climate Resilience in Mountain View

According to various state and local climate models, the City of Mountain View will face increased impacts from climate change in the coming years and decades, creating hazards for public health. Input from residents indicates that the impact of climate hazards is already substantial. In September 2023, the City and the Community Services Agency (CSA) conducted a survey of 120 seniors that participate in CSA's senior nutrition program. Results show 73% of respondents lost power at their homes at least a few times in the past several years, 48% indicated their home did not have air conditioning, and 60% reported they were not aware of Mountain View's cooling centers. These responses point to the need for resilient infrastructure as well as programs and services to protect public health.

This May, City staff will select consultants to conduct a vulnerability assessment and develop a Citywide Climate Strategy. The vulnerability assessment will consider top climate hazards facing Mountain View, including extreme heat, wildfire smoke, sea level rise, storms, and riverine flooding; potential risks to City assets; and social vulnerability. The Climate Strategy will outline adaptation strategies to address these climate vulnerabilities as well as decarbonization strategies to mitigate our climate change impacts.

The City is also working to transform some of its buildings into resilience hubs, which are community-serving facilities augmented to support residents and serve as safe gathering spaces in the event of climate emergencies, such as power outages, extreme heat, and storms. This work is under way at the Community Center (installation of back-up battery power to pair with

the solar energy system) and Senior Center (electrification of the kitchen and hot water systems and grant applications submitted to fund additional resiliency measures). This spring, the City will also consider solar at Whisman Sports Center and Mountain View Sports Pavilion.

E-Bike Incentive Program for Income Qualified Residents

The City recently closed the application period for a new E-Bike Voucher Program. The program will provide up to \$1,500 toward the purchase of cutting-edge, environmentally friendly electric bikes from designated bike shops. Eligible residents (low- to moderate-income) that applied to the program will be selected through a lottery process to access vouchers for the e-bikes.

Electric Landscaping Tool Partnership with the Mountain View Day Worker Center

The Day Worker Center of Mountain View, in collaboration with the City of Mountain View, is taking proactive steps to provide a wide range of electrical gardening tools for employers who hire workers. Electric landscaping tools are a cleaner, more efficient, and quieter way to tend to your garden. The current inventory includes electric lawn mowers, hedge trimmers, leaf blowers, chain saws, and pole head trimmers.

In addition to providing the tools, the partnership has also offered hands-on training sessions at Rengstorff Park for workers. Tools became available to workers in February 2024. To find out more or to hire a Day Worker, visit: https://www.dayworkercentermv.org/tool-library.

<u>Homeless Response Strategy and Expenditure Plan</u>

While the City has a longstanding commitment to meet the needs of unhoused and unstably housed residents, there are many challenges to developing solutions to addressing homelessness. In July 2023, the City hired a consultant to develop the City's first Homelessness Response Strategy and Expenditure Plan. Through this initiative, the City is assessing community needs and available resources for unhoused and unstably housed Mountain View residents and develop an expenditure and funding plan in coordination with regional partners.

The comprehensive community and stakeholder engagement process has been completed in 2024, with the adoption of this Strategy and Expenditure Plan expected in 2025.

New MountainView.gov Features

In May 2023, the City debuted a redesigned, user-centric website, <u>MountainView.gov</u>, that features a modern design with better mobile compatibility, improved search function, and created dedicated sites for <u>Economic Development</u>, the <u>Mountain View Public Library</u>, and the <u>Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts</u>.

Among the website features is a new email notification system for subscribing to City topics of interest, including news releases, general updates, newsletters, event announcements, and

public meeting details, all in one location. Subscribe today at <u>MountainView.gov/eNotify</u>. The new site also has an automatic translation tool for Spanish, Chinese, and Russian languages that can be customized for cultural accuracy.

The City's former website was about eight years old and based on technology that was no longer supported. The City website receives approximately 210,000 visitors and 68,000 pageviews a month on average.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Planning—Plans, Policies, and Development

Summary information on long-range planning and private development projects throughout the City can be found in the "Current Project List" on the City's website at: mountainview.gov/our-city/departments/community-development/planning/active-projects.

Citywide Projects

R3 (Multiple-Family Residential) Zoning Code Update

Update of the R3 (Multiple-Family Residential) Zoning District standards to consider incorporating form-based development standards, incentivizing stacked flats, and updating the rowhouse guidelines. The project includes public outreach, creation of form-based development standards, a design handbook, public outreach, and Study Sessions with the Environmental Planning Commission and City Council. Webpage: R3 Zoning Update.

<u>Historic Preservation and Register Update</u>

The Historic Preservation Ordinance and Register Update includes updating the City zoning standards regarding historic resources and the Mountain View Register of Historic Resources, which identifies all historically significant properties in the City. The update includes the creation of a Historic Context Statement, a Citywide survey to identify eligible historic resources and consider nominations for Castro Street buildings on the National Historic Register. The process includes public outreach and Study Sessions with the Environmental Planning Commission and City Council. Webpage: <u>Historic Preservation and Register Update</u>.

<u>Downtown Precise Plan Comprehensive Update</u>

The update project includes a comprehensive update to the Precise Plan (P(19)) to align the Plan to City's vision for downtown. The update includes developing objective development standards, evaluating current design standards, land uses, parking, signage regulations, and other strategies. The process includes public outreach and Study Sessions with the Environmental Planning Commission and City Council. Webpage: Downtown Precise Plan Comprehensive Update.

Moffett Boulevard Precise Plan

The project includes preparation of a new Precise Plan for the Moffett Boulevard project area, an area of approximately 20 acres, located along both sides of Moffett Boulevard north of the downtown area and Central Expressway to the intersection of West Middlefield Road. The project will establish development standards for the project area, including land use mix, density and intensities, objective development standards, streetscape and design standards, signage regulations, parking and transportation demand management regulations, and public art and placemaking requirements. The process includes public outreach and Study Sessions with the Environmental Planning Commission and City Council. Webpage: Moffett Boulevard Precise Plan.

Private Development

Under Review

- <u>301 East Evelyn Avenue</u>: Request for a Planned Community Permit and Development Review Permit for a three-story, 125,000 square foot office building and a six-level parking structure at an existing office campus with four other existing buildings to remain with 125,000 square feet of Transfer of Development Rights from the Los Altos School District TDR Program; and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 32 Heritage trees on a 16.6-acre project site. This project is located on the south side of Evelyn Avenue between State Route 237 and Ferry Morse Way in the P(29) (111 Ferry-Morse Way) Precise Plan.
- <u>301-317 Moorpark Way</u>: Request for a Planned Unit Development and a Development Review Permit to construct 22 single-family homes, including 43% density bonus, to replace four existing single-family homes and one commercial building; and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove 32 Heritage trees on a 2.5-acre project site. This project is located on the south side of Moorpark Way, at the intersection of Moorpark Way and Sylvan Avenue, in the R1-10sd (Single-Family Special Design Combining) District. Project is subject to Senate Bill 330.

Approved

• 870 East El Camino Real: On September 27, 2022, the City Council approved a Planned Community Permit and Development Review Permit to construct two 6-story buildings with 233 new apartment units and one level of underground parking with a State Density Bonus with development waivers and associated site and facade improvements to the existing apartment buildings to remain, replacing three apartment buildings with 42 existing units, resulting in a total of 371 apartment units on-site; a Provisional Use Permit to allow rooftop amenities above the third floor and for a parking reduction; and a Heritage Tree Removal Permit to remove seven Heritage trees on a 9.15-acre site. This project is located on the north side of East El Camino Real, between Sylvan Avenue and South Bernardo Avenue, in

the P(38) (El Camino Real) Precise Plan. Project is subject to Senate Bill 330, State Density Bonus Law, and the City's Below-Market-Rate (BMR) affordable housing requirements.

COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE

Recreation Activity Guide

The spring/summer edition of the Recreation Activity Guide is available, and registration is ongoing. This activity guide covers classes and camps that take place from April through August. To view the Activity Guide and for more information on registration, please visit mountainview.gov/register.

Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan

The City of Mountain View's Community Services Department is developing a Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan. This plan will define a clear vision and action plan for the future of Mountain View's parks and open space, trail system, recreation facilities, and recreation programs and services. The City has hired Next Practice Partners, LLC, as the consultant to assist with the development of the plan. The community input process began in August 2023 with the City hosting four community meetings to kick off the community input process. Over 200 community members attended and participated in these meetings. The City hosted three pop-up input opportunities at the Celebrate Shoreline event, Monster Bash, and the Community Tree Lighting Celebration. In early 2024, a statistically reliable survey was mailed to a random selection of residents to seek feedback on the current and future needs for parks and recreation. A community survey of the same questions was launched online in April 2024 and was available to all residents to participate in. In the coming months, the consultant will return to host another round of community meetings to share findings from the community input process and various park and program assessments conducted by the consultant.

For more information on the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan and to sign up for updates on the process, visit the project website at: http://www.lmagineMVParks.com.

Biodiversity Strategy and Urban Forest Plan

The City of Mountain View is partnering with the San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) to develop a Biodiversity and Urban Forest Plan (Plan) built on science-based guidance and community needs, values, and priorities. This Plan will be the first of its kind in the Bay Area and serve as a progressive framework that defines biodiversity requirements for landscaping as well as informs and influences City projects and ordinances regarding vegetation, wildlife, and habitats. The Plan will include Urban Forestry to replace the existing 2015 Community Tree Master Plan and provide a blueprint for preserving and enhancing tree canopy. The goals and recommendations in the new Plan will include an implementation and reporting approach to promote awareness and track progress on biodiversity and urban forest efforts.

The success of the Plan will depend on active community engagement. There will be plenty of opportunities for the public to provide meaningful input on topics, including habitat restoration and enhancement, preserving green spaces and natural resources, environmental resiliency, and increasing tree canopy. The feedback received through the outreach process will be essential to mapping out the Plan's vision, goals, and implementation strategies. The community engagement process is estimated to begin this summer 2024 and is designed to be inclusive, wide-reaching, and generate meaningful input from a diverse array of participants.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Economic Vitality Strategy

On April 23, 2024, the City Council adopted the Economic Vitality Strategy (EVS). The EVS identifies five goals, 25 strategies, and 164 actions to be implemented over the next five to 10 years. In addition to adopting the EVS, Council also approved measures of success to evaluate how the various action items are affecting the Mountain View economy and community. An update on the implementation of the EVS will come back to Council in April 2025. To read the Economic Vitality Strategy, Measures of Success, and Landscape Assessment, which is the data analysis on Mountain View, please visit econdev.mountainview.gov/business/economic-vitality-strategy.

Public Art Strategy

City staff continues to work with the Visual Arts Committee (VAC) during their monthly meetings to frame the development of a Public Art Strategy for the City of Mountain View. The City Council is scheduled to conduct a Study Session on a public art strategy for October 8, 2024. The VAC continues to evaluate art projects in Mountain View, and the community is welcome to engage and contribute feedback and insights into art in Mountain View.

To learn more about the work on the Public Art Strategy and the VAC, please visit econdev.mountainview.gov/business/public-art-strategy

HOUSING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The creation of a new stand-alone Housing Department was approved by the City Council as part of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget adoption. The Housing Department advances diverse, inclusive, and equitable communities by developing and implementing a wide range of housing policies and programs in support of City Council Strategic Priorities, including creating a Community for All, facilitating Intentional Development and Housing Options, and advancing the City's Race, Equity, and Inclusion Initiative.

The Housing Department is composed of two divisions: the Affordable Housing Division and the Rent Stabilization Division.

1. <u>Affordable Housing Division</u>: The Affordable Housing Division administers various programs, including furthering new affordable housing projects through the City's affordable housing Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and project development program, the management of the BMR program, the management of state and federal grants (including the implementation of the City's Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) programs), the development of housing policy, and special projects as well as the Council Neighborhoods Committee (CNC) neighborhoods program.

This Division is located at City Hall, 500 Castro Street, currently on the first floor in the Community Development Department. The Division can also be reached at 650-903-6190 or housing@mountainview.gov.

- 2. <u>Rent Stabilization Division</u>: The Rent Stabilization Program implements the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act as well as the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance. Most apartments with three or more units are covered as well as all mobile homes in the six mobile home parks in Mountain View. The three main goals of the program are:
 - Stabilize rents;
 - Provide eviction protections; and
 - Ensure a fair rate of return on investment for landlords/mobile home park owners.

The Division also implements the City's Tenant Relocation Assistant Ordinance, the Mountain View Mediation Program, and the Housing and Eviction Help Center (more information below).

The Division is located at 298 Escuela Avenue and can be reached at MVrent@mountainview.gov or 650-903-6136.

<u>Updates Regarding Below-Market-Rate Housing Program and Units</u>

The City works with a third-party administrator, HouseKeys, to implement the BMR program. To learn about our BMR program, stay up to date on upcoming unit availability, and watch a prerecorded informational webinar, please visit our website at: www.mountainview.gov/BMR.

The recorded webinar may be viewed with interpretation in Spanish and Mandarin, and it covers topics such as:

- How to apply for BMR units.
- How to navigate the HouseKeys online portal; and
- The overall process from application to lease up.

Housing Help Center

On the first and third Thursday of each month, the Rent Stabilization Division holds Housing Help Centers for both landlords and tenants. The Help Center provides support services and housing resources in an effort to reduce evictions and stabilize the community. Community members can access information, receive one-on-one support, and apply for services provided by our community partners by attending Housing Help Centers, webinars, and pop-up events. Housing Help Centers connect community members with the following support services:

- <u>Housing Programs</u>: Learn about rent stabilization, apply for affordable housing, and connect with rental assistance programs.
- <u>Eviction Questions</u>: Review eviction notices and the eviction process with staff to understand what is happening and potential outcomes.
- <u>Legal Resources</u>: Connect to legal resources and assistance.
- <u>Support Services</u>: Obtain information on food distribution, financial assistance, mediation, homelessness prevention resources, and more.

You can attend in person or virtually during clinic hours at www.mountainview.gov/ housinghelpclinics.

No appointment is needed. Clinics are bilingual in English and Spanish. Please email MVRent@mountainview.gov to request translation support in other languages.

<u>Tenants: Mountain View Public Library</u>

First and third Thursdays of the month, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 585 Franklin Street, Second Floor.

• <u>Landlords: Rent Stabilization Division Office</u>

First and third Thursdays of the month, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. 298 Escuela Avenue.

<u>Affordable Housing Project Pipeline</u>

The City currently has nine 100% affordable housing projects and three land dedications in the pipeline, composed of at least 1,300 new housing units. Key projects in the pipeline include 96 West El Camino Real (Danco), 1265 Montecito Avenue (Charities Housing), the Lot 12 project in downtown Mountain View (Related/Alta Housing), La Avenida in North Bayshore (Eden Housing), and the conversion of Crestview Hotel at 901 East El Camino Real into permanent housing

(Jamboree Housing). The Crestview project is expected to complete rehabilitation by August 2024 with occupancy being complete in October 2024.

Additionally, on September 26, 2023, the City Council selected Affirmed Housing to develop the City-owned site at the former VTA park and ride lot (87 East Evelyn Avenue) into approximately 268 units of affordable housing. The neighboring property at 57-67 East Evelyn Avenue, owned by Charities Housing, will be developed into 144 units of affordable housing. These two development teams have engaged in a master site planning process to collaborate on coordinated land use, connected open spaces, and infrastructure. A joint community meeting was held on March 28, 2024 at Edith Landels Elementary School where the teams shared their progress on the coordinated master site plan. Both development teams anticipate submitting planning applications by the end of the year, with project approvals anticipated by Q1 2025 through streamlined approval processes and starting construction in Q4 2026. The Charities Housing affordable housing project is expected to complete construction in Q4 2028, while both phases of the Affirmed Housing project are expected to be completed in Q4 2029.

State Prohousing Designation Award

In addition, the City received the Prohousing Designation in February 2024 by Governor Gavin Newsom and the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). This designation recognizes jurisdictions that are leading the way to facilitate the development of housing across income levels, such as reducing barriers to housing, streamlining the development process, implementing effective zoning and land use policies, and funding affordable housing. Mountain View is the first city in Santa Clara County to earn this honor.

Prohousing communities receive exclusive access to Prohousing grants as well as receiving additional points in the scoring of competitive housing, community development, and infrastructure funding programs administered by HCD. These funding sources are critically important for the City to continue to advance its robust affordable housing pipeline and building out the infrastructure needed to support residential development to address ongoing housing needs.

Tenant Displacement Response Strategy

The City is in the process of developing a comprehensive tenant displacement response strategy. Background information and a link to sign up on the interest list to receive updates can be found here: www.mountainview.gov/our-city/departments/housing/displacement-response.

On October 10, 2023, Council held a Study Session to discuss requirements for residential projects that demolish rent-stabilized units to replace those units at affordable levels. The Council report can be found here.

On March 19, 2024, Council held a Study Session to discuss other programs to address tenant displacement, including creating a \$20 million funding pool with external partners to fund the

acquisition/preservation of existing housing units, developing a "community ownership action plan," and other efforts. The Council report can be found here.

LIBRARY UPDATE

The Library website for all current information is: www.MountainView.gov/library.

Library Newsletter

If you would like to receive regular newsletters about what is new at the Library, you can subscribe here: library.mountainview.gov/connect/subscribe-to-news.

Library Calendar

For information about upcoming Library programs and events, visit MountainView.libcal.com/ libraryevents.

Digital Library

Free resources, such as *Consumer Reports, New York Times*, language learning, streaming movies, e-books, and audiobooks are available here: library.mountainview.gov/learn/digital-library.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Safe Routes to Schools Program

In the 2022-23 school year, as part of the City's Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) program, City staff and consultants provided transportation safety training to 3,500 students at elementary and middle schools in Mountain View; conducted four Citywide and middle school bike rodeos; held two free bike repair events; managed 12 hip-hop musical assemblies on traffic safety for 4,000 K-8 students; carried out 15 walk audits with 40 parents and a dozen principals; conducted travel surveys for all public schools; and collected and analyzed surveys completed by over 1,000 parents. In 2023-24, the City is continuing these activities and expanding the program offerings to interested private schools in Mountain View. This work is supported by a grant from the VTA 2016 Measure B Education and Encouragement Program.

Between 2021 and 2024, the City has also expanded the crossing guard program from nine to 21 crossing guards, and Transportation staff has established a SRTS Coordination Committee to obtain input from school districts, principals, parents, students, and Police. For more information or to participate in the SRTS Coordination Committee, visit MountainView.gov/SafeRoutes or email saferoutestoschool@mountainview.gov.

Active Transportation Plan

The City is currently working on the Active Transportation Plan (ATP). The ATP will update and integrate the City's 2015 Bicycle Transportation Plan and 2014 Pedestrian Master Plan to provide a cohesive Citywide plan for active transportation networks, facilities, and supportive policies. The plan will also incorporate principles developed as part of the Biodiversity Framework to ensure that complementary green street elements are considered in conjunction with active transportation facilities. More information is available at www.mountainviewatp.com/. Please sign up at MountainView.gov/eNotify to receive updates about the plan and invitations to community meetings.

Vision Zero Action Plan/Local Road Safety Plan

The City is completing the Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP)/Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP). This integrated plan lays out strategies needed to achieve the City's Vision Zero goal of moving toward zero traffic fatalities by 2030. The plan includes a systemic safety analysis to identify historic collision hot spots as well as other locations in the City with similar roadway characteristics. Strategies include infrastructure/engineering improvements as well as strategies related to education, encouragement, engagement, enforcement, equity, and emergency response. This work is supported by a grant from the Caltrans Local Road Safety Plan program. Further information can be found at mountainview.gov/visionzero.

Mountain View Community Shuttle Update

The Mountain View Community Shuttle is a fare-free service that provides connections between residential neighborhoods and key destinations in Mountain View. The Community Shuttle operates weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on the weekends from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Shuttle ridership, which dropped as low as 15% during the pandemic, has now recovered to 125% of prepandemic levels. For more information, visit MVCommunityShuttle.com or call 855-730-RIDE (7433).

Street Resurfacing and Slurry Seal Program

The City's planned pavement improvements for 2024 to 2026 can be seen in <u>this figure</u> with more information available at <u>MountainView.gov/PCI</u>. As shown on the map, several streets in the Grant Road/Sylvan Park Neighborhood area are planned to receive pavement improvements during this time.

El Camino Real Paving, Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has awarded the construction contract for the repairs and repaying of El Camino Real in Mountain View, and construction is under way. The City has partnered with Caltrans to incorporate bike and pedestrian improvements that are included in the El Camino Real Streetscape Plan. The following bike and pedestrian

improvements will be delivered through Caltrans from Sylvan Avenue to Rengstorff Avenue: (1) replace on-street parking with Class IV protected bikeways and Class II bike lanes; (2) upgrade selected intersections with bulb-outs and high-visibility crosswalks; and (3) upgrade existing bus stops for improved pedestrian access. Caltrans will also be adding new pedestrian crossings with pedestrian hybrid beacons at Pettis Avenue, Bonita Avenue, and Crestview Drive as part of the project. El Camino Real from Rengstorff Avenue to the Palo Alto city limits is within the City of Los Altos' jurisdiction, where on-street parking will be replaced with Class IV protected bikeways and Class II bike lanes in this segment as well. Construction has started in Palo Alto with curb ramp replacements and other concrete work elements, and the contractor is now in Mountain View with this same work. The concrete phase is expected to continue until approximately June 2024 and then will be followed by the paving work this summer. The City's contribution to this project is supported by a grant from the VTA 2016 Measure B Ped/Bike Program.

Grant Road and Sleeper Avenue Improvements

This project's first phase will provide pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements at the Grant Road/Sleeper Avenue intersection, including the installation of a pedestrian hybrid beacon, high-visibility crosswalks, left-turn lane restrictions from Sleeper Avenue onto Grant Road, adaptive traffic signal equipment and signal interconnection, streetlights, and enhanced signage. Additional intersection improvements are planned at the Sleeper Avenue and Franklin Avenue intersection. Final design of the project is expected to be completed in June 2024, with the construction bid process and contract award completed in approximately September 2024. It takes approximately six months after contract award for the contractor to receive materials that require a long lead time to manufacture, such as steel traffic signal poles; therefore, the intersection construction will likely start in early 2025.

The second phase of the project will include intersection improvements at several other locations throughout the City, including on Dale Avenue and at the Dana Street/Pioneer Way intersection. The improvements will include high-visibility crosswalks and pedestrian-actuated flashing beacon systems. Construction is expected to begin in summer 2025.

Trellis Replacement and Sand Volleyball Court at Sylvan Park

This completed project replaced the aging trellis structure that surrounded a portion of the amphitheater area in Sylvan Park. The project also replaced the concrete flatwork and game tables underneath the trellis and installed a new sand volleyball court in the area that used to be a horseshoe pit. The combined project began construction in March 2023 and was recently reopened to the public in December 2023.

Pickleball Feasibility Study

The City selected Verde Design to perform the Pickleball Feasibility Study, which was initiated in December 2023. The study included a public survey launched in February 2024 to gather public input on pickleball court locations, number of courts, and amenities for new, dedicated pickleball

courts in the City. Continuing the public outreach process, the City hosted a Community Meeting on April 8, 2024 with approximately 75 attendees. Staff anticipates bringing the study findings to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their review this spring and City Council in fall 2024.

Evelyn Park

There will be a new 0.68-acre City park located along East Evelyn Avenue, near South Bernardo Avenue, that will include play equipment, plantings, and a lawn. Staff obtained input from the community and the Parks and Recreation Commission to develop a recommended concept that was later approved by Council. Design is now complete. Construction of the new park is anticipated to begin late summer 2024 and be completed spring 2025.

Annual Sewer Main Replacement

The City has begun the design of an annual sewer main replacement project, which includes upsizing 200' of an existing 8" pipeline to 12" on Martens Avenue near Alexander Court. Project design is anticipated to be complete in summer 2025 with construction to follow.

Sleeper Avenue Bridge Repair

This spring, the City will be making improvements at the Sleeper Avenue bridge that crosses Stevens Creek to address creek erosion. The Stevens Creek Trail and the Sleeper Avenue bridge will remain open during the majority of the construction time frame; however, certain areas of the trail and the bridge will be fenced off to provide space for construction activities. It is anticipated that the contractor will need to close the Sleeper Avenue bridge for at least one weekend. Advance notice of the closure will be provided, and a detour plan will be in place for trail users who typically access the trail via the Sleeper Avenue bridge.

Sea Level Rise

Sea level rise is a significant issue for the Bay Area. By 2060, it is estimated that sea level rise will affect more than 130,000 socially vulnerable residents, over 190,000 new and existing jobs, 5 million daily highway vehicle trips, and 20,000 acres of habitat such as marshes and wetlands. Although sea level rise has been gradual until now, by 2040, the rise is expected to accelerate. As sea levels rise, so do the risks. Mountain View is susceptible to both river and creek flooding from watershed runoff and coastal flooding from high tide and waves from the San Francisco Bay due to sea level rise. That is why the City has developed a comprehensive plan for the Shoreline Regional Park Community to address sea level rise that includes projects within the North Bayshore Area totaling nearly \$50 million to complete within the next 10 years and an additional \$70 million in projects to construct over the longer term. These projects will protect both the City and the Shoreline Regional Park Community and are funded by the Shoreline Regional Park Community, a separate legal entity from the City. Some of these projects are either completed or under way. For more information, visit the City's Climate Change Adaptation webpage at

<u>www.mountainview.gov/our-city/departments/city-managers-office/sustainability/climate-resilience.</u>

Recycling and Zero Waste

Double your free compost and mulch! You can now get up to 200 gallons of compost and mulch per week from the SMaRT® Station (301 Carl Road, Sunnyvale). The Station is opened seven days per week, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Proof of Mountain View residency is required. Bring your own shovel and containers. For more information, visit MountainView.gov/Composting.

The Citywide Garage Sale will be held September 14 and 15, 2024. Join hundreds of Mountain View residents hosting garage sales at their homes. Find great deals and help support the City's Zero Waste goals by keeping reusable items out of the landfill. Registration will open in July. For more information, visit MountainView.gov/GarageSale.

For missed trash collection, broken containers repair, scheduling an On-Call Plus appointment for extra trash and bulky goods, or to order large debris box services, contact Recology at ContactUsRMV@Recology.com or call 650-967-3034. To find your collection schedule, including every other week recycling collection, and holidays observed, visit MountainView.gov/CollectionCalendar.

For more information about the City's recycling, composting, and other waste reduction programs, visit MountainView.gov/Recycle or contact us at Recycle@MountainView.gov or 650-903-6311.

Street Sweeping

The City sweeps our streets twice per month. Some areas are swept more frequently, so check the street sweeping map and schedule at MountainView.gov/streets. Please remember to move your vehicle and other obstructions on the street before 6:00 a.m. the day of your scheduled sweep.