

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

## OCCIDENTAL AVE. BIKE & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS

**Q: What is the purpose of the project?**

*A: This initiative aims to enhance the overall accessibility and safety of the intersections at Ralston/Occidental and Chapin/Occidental, and traffic calming. The project will include traffic calming features such as speed cushions and bike sharrows markings along Occidental.*

**Q: Are we introducing new bike lanes?**

*A: No, Occidental is recommended as Class 3B neighborhood bike routes on the Burlingame Bike and Ped master plan. Therefore, we are only adding sharrows markings and signages.*

**Q: Are we taking away parking spaces?**

*A: Yes, some parking spaces near the intersections will have to be taken away in order to improve visibility and safety.*

**Q: How are we slowing down vehicle speed along Occidental?**

*A: Speed cushions are recommended.*

**Q: Does the Ralston median's orientation slow traffic enough as it comes down Ralston Ave?**

*A: The proposed median at Ralston and Occidental intersection provides safety to all modes of transportation by significantly reducing the crossing distance and facilitating slower vehicular speeds.*

**Q: Will a stop sign be placed at the El Camino Real end of Chapin, to slow traffic moving from El Camino to Occidental?**

*A: El Camino Real and Chapin is already a controlled intersection, no stop sign will be placed.*

**Q: Who is paying for the improvements?**

*A: The City received \$420,000 in grant funding through Measure A and Measure W, in addition, City is matching \$180,000 towards the project.*

**Q: What are the granite pathways for?**

*A: The pathway is designed for pedestrian crossing, it is still at a conceptual phase, more information will be provided as the information becomes available.*

**Q: Could we please have more information about how traffic is predicted to slow/flow?**

*A: Traffic calming is part of this project that can be achieved via the introduction of speed cushions along Occidental Ave.*

**Q: What is the proposed timeframe?**

*A: If the project is well received by the residents, provided all approvals are obtained in a timely manner, the construction can start as early as the fall 2024, and complete by the end of 2024.*

**Q: What can the residents do to help?**

*A: Please attend all public meetings, if possible, to provide your valuable feedback.*