

### **Morena Corridor Specific Plan**

Clairemont Community Planning Group Ad Hoc Subcommittee Meeting October 10, 2016



# Tonight's Agenda

- Clairemont Drive Mobility
  Overview / Existing Conditions
  Summary of Issues
  Draft Mobility Concepts
  - Potential Configurations
- Specific Plan Outline
  Vision
  - Organization
- Discussion and Next Steps
  Subcommittee Comment
  Public Comment



# **Clairemont Drive**



# Clairemont Drive – Existing Configuration



- 4 travel lanes with turn lanes at I-5 on and off ramps
- No existing bike lanes
- Average daily car trips
  ~28,000 to 30,000

# Summary of Issues

- 💠 No bike lanes
- High-speed freeway on/off ramps
- No separation between vehicles and pedestrians
- Bridge weight constraints





### Clairemont Drive – Proposed Interim Configuration



- 4 travel lanes with turn lanes at I-5 on and off ramps
- Bike lanes in each direction with buffer from vehicles
- Reduced vehicle lane widths

### Benefits of interim configuration

- Provides buffered bicycle lanes
- Alerts motorists of potential conflicts with cyclists at freeway ramps
- Reduced lane widths would result in slower speeds
- Provides separation between vehicles and pedestrians



### Clairemont Drive – Long-Term Configuration (Option 1)



- 4 travel lanes with turn lanes at I-5 on and off ramps
- Two-Way Cycle Track along south side
- Freeway on/off ramp treatments to reduce speeds at ramps

Reduced lane widths

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# Freeway On/Off Ramp Improvements

- Free vehicle movements create conflict with bicycles and pedestrians
- Square off ramps to reduce conflict with bicycles and pedestrians



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### Clairemont Drive – Long-Term Configuration (Option 2)



4 travel lanes with turn lanes at I-5 on and off ramps



Separated bicycle facilities in each direction

Freeway on/off ramp treatments to reduce speeds at ramps

Reduced lane widths

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### Long- Term Option Comparison

#### Option 1

- Lower stress bike facility on south side
- 15 ft separation for pedestrians from vehicles on south side

#### Option 2

- Separated bike facility in each direction
- 10-15 ft separation for pedestrians on both sides





# Specific Plan Outline



#### Vision and Guiding Principles

#### VISION STATEMENT

Enhance the Morena Corridor as a mixed-use area that has a vibrant community core with a strong restaurant/retail component and gathering places, balanced residential density that includes affordable housing, quality urban design, safe and accessible travel for all modes, employment opportunities, adequate infrastructure, and public amenities.

#### GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPECIFIC PLAN

- Protect and enhance the Corridor's unique neighborhood character.
  - Ensure that new development respects general mass, volume, and scale of the existing built environment.
  - Improve visual quality along Morena Boulevard.
  - Preserve public views of Mission Bay.

#### • Establish a varied and balanced mix of uses.

- $\circ\;$  Encourage the preservation of existing restaurants and the development of new restaurants along the Morena Corridor.
- Provide a range of housing options.
- $\circ$   $\;$  Integrate new uses that complement the existing neighborhood character.
- Improve the Corridor as a place of services, shopping, and small business.
- Create additional gathering and recreational open space opportunities.
- Improve mobility for all modes of transportation.
  - Establish safe access.
  - Provide adequate parking for all new development.
  - Ensure safe and efficient travel for pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicles.
    Improve access to Mission Bay Park.
- Celebrate community history that dates back to the turn of the 20th century.
- Maximize sustainable development.



### Plan Organization

#### **Chapter 1 – Introduction**

- Specific Plan overview, purpose and background
- Chapter 2 Land Use
- Identifies land use designations, districts and overlay zones (e.g. Clairemont Height Limit Overlay Zone)

#### Chapter 3 – Mobility and Streetscape

• Addresses vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian connectivity and an enhanced streetscape in the right-of-way

#### **Chapter 4 – Design Guidelines**

• Provides direction for the development of the public realm, site design, and building design.

#### **Chapter 5 – Infrastructure, Facilities, and Public Services**

• Describes the infrastructure and public services needed for implementation of the Specific Plan.

#### **Chapter 6 – Implementation**

• Details implementation and funding mechanisms that can be used to support the vision of the Specific Plan.

#### Chapter 7 – Administration

• Describes procedures for amendments and development processing requirements.

# Mobility and Urban Design

Streetscape Recommendations

 Examples: landscaping, public art, and outdoor areas

#### Site design

- Examples: building orientation and access, relation to public realm
- Building design:
  - Examples: frontage, façade design, articulation, materials and color







Design Elements that Identify Building as Landmark



# Public Realm

- Pedestrian Area
  - Emphasizes clear pedestrian pathways
  - Promote outdoor cafes along street sidewalks
- Landscape Architecture
  - Landscaping to highlight building facades and add visual interest
  - Expand use of street trees and street furniture
- Public Art/Signage
  - Promote public art
  - Guidance for outdoor dining, signage and displays







# Next Steps:

Specific Plan Public Review Draft

EIR Public Review Draft

Approval Process
 Final Draft Specific Plan and EIR
 Public Hearings

November

Early 2017

Summer 2017



Next Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Meeting – November

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