

**Monterey Road Complete Streets** 





### **Complete Street Objectives**

- Improve livability and economic vitality
- Enhance pedestrian environment
- Accommodate bicyclists safely
- Reduce noise and air pollution
- Create attractive, thriving and vibrant community gathering places
- Foster a safe and inviting experience for all
- Preserve mobility for those accessing businesses, schools, services, transit, and other key destinations



#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- Motor Vehicle Speed
- Emergency Response Time
- Collisions
- Reported Safety Concerns
- Travel Time Reliability
- Bicycle Counts
- Pedestrian Delay
- Transit Ridership
- Traffic Diversion
- Resident Opinion
- Pedestrian Counts
- Bicyclist Demographics
- Parking Turnover
- Noise
- Business Opinion







MID-PILOT



CITY COUNCIL MEETING



**END-PILOT** APR. 19TH - JUL. 10TH



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### **Evaluation Criteria**

#### 16 Performance Measures

- Safety
- Multimodal Mobility
- Vibrancy
- Economic Vitality

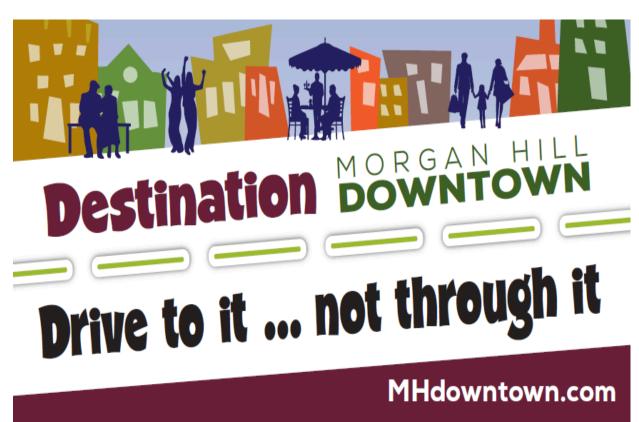
**Single Complete Street Index** 





## Wayfinding







## Installation and Data Collection







#### **Initial Feedback**

"There is always a backup and it causes a problem getting to the east and west sides of town"

"It's a pain to drive through Downtown but not horrible"

"Much nicer to have lunch outside without vehicles rushing by"

"We have always loved walking and dining Downtown and will now ride our bikes"

"I'll avoid going Downtown until the lanes re-open to auto traffic"

"I was delighted to see more parents and kids bicycling Downtown"

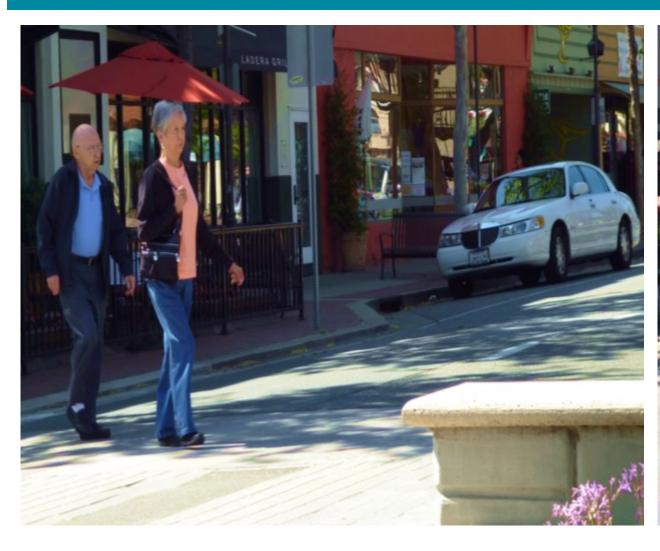
"I never see bicyclists regularly ride down Monterey"

"Morgan Hill does not yet have the road capacity to funnel traffic around Downtown"

"Leave it alone"

"I see a lot more people out with their kids on bikes"











Parking Occupancy



The number of occupied parking spaces and the turnover rate increased from 43% to 45%



Outdoor Noise



The outdoor sound intensity decreased from 70.28 LAeq to 69.73 Laeq (69.4 dB to 70.6 dB)



Transit Running Time



VTA Line 68's running time increased from an average of 13:15 minutes to 13:26 minutes (1% increase)



Resident and Business Opinion

-12%/+6%

Residents in favor of continuing the pilot decreased by 12% but business owners in favor increased by 6% (fewer mid-pilot responses from walkers)



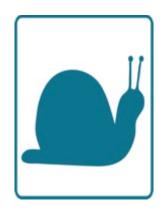








Emergency Response Time



Motor Vehicle Speeds



Collisions



Reported Safety Concerns



No emergency runs routed through Downtown over 8 minutes in total response time



Median speed increased from 23 mph to 24 mph (tube counts showed 1 mph decrease)



2 collisions pre-pilot dropped to only 1 collision mid-pilot



No reported safety concerns or hazards Downtown pre- or mid-pilot but many comments











Number of People Biking



The number of bicyclists more than tripled from 74 to 170



Kids biking Downtown



The number of kids bicycling in Downtown increased from 7 to 44



Travel Time Reliability

+32<sub>secs</sub>

Motorists have to plan to leave 32 seconds earlier to get through Downtown (20 sec buffer to 52 sec buffer)



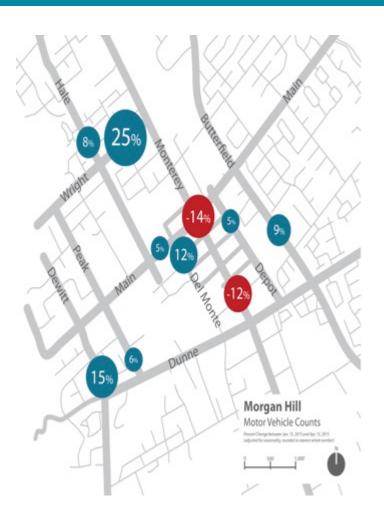
Volume of Customers

**69**%

Most business owners surveyed reported comparable, slightly more, or many more customers



#### **Traffic Diversion**



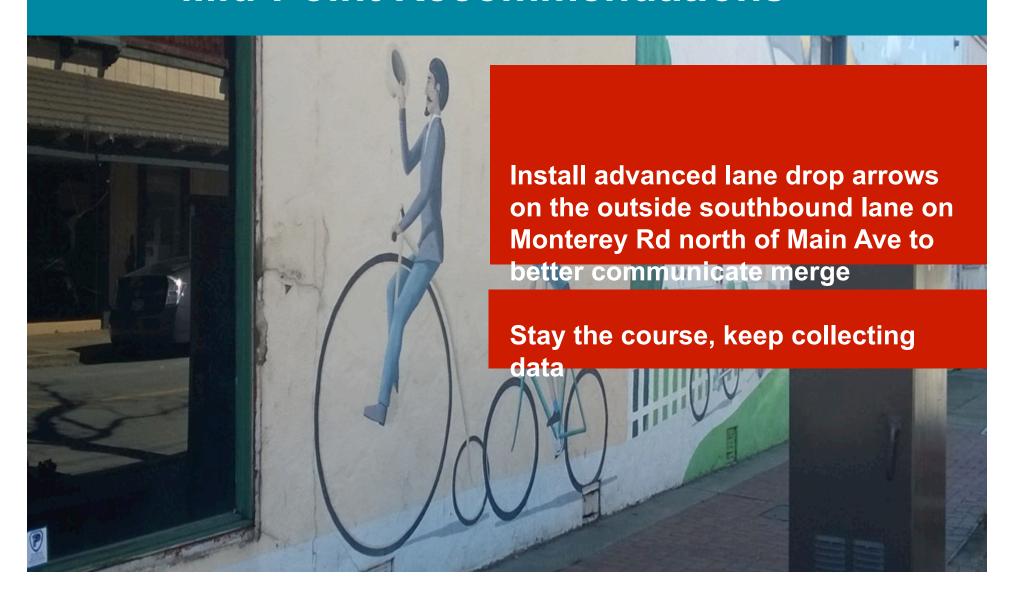
**Pre-Pilot Counts: Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Mid-Pilot Counts: Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015** 

## Average weekday Adjusted for seasonality

- 2,210 vehicles on Monterey Rd/day
- +1,557 vehicles on Butterfield Blvd/day (18,702 to 20,259 vehicles)
  - \* Still 15,000 20,000 vehicles below capacity
- +150 vehicles on Del Monte/day
- +410 vehicles on Main/day
- +147 vehicles on Depot/day
- +362 vehicles on Dewitt/day
- +318 vehicles on Peak/day
- +526 vehicles on Hale/day
- +962 vehicles on Wright/day



#### **Mid-Point Recommendations**





#### **End of Pilot Results**

- No Change in Speed of Traffic
- People biking nearly tripled (from 74 to 214)
- Transit Ridership increased by 3% (trip length increased by 29 seconds)
- 50% of large vehicles (400 pick-up trucks and semi-trucks) moved to Butterfield Rd.
- Increased Pedestrians Counts and Parking Spaces
- Business Impact unclear
- Community is divided



### The landscape...

- Monterey Rd. major North-South Connector
- Construction Impacts—had to end pilot early
- 273-Space Parking Garage under Construction
- Development proposed for 4 Sites
- Businesses Relocations
- Social Media Feedback
- Speed Bumps –a necessary evil?



#### The Question Remains...How do we

Make Downtown the most.....

walkable,

bike-friendly,

urban,

family-oriented, and

transit oriented

Neighborhood in Morgan Hill

# "Rightsizing" San Jose Streets

Ed Brooks, Paul Smith & Jessica Zenk

July 29, 2015

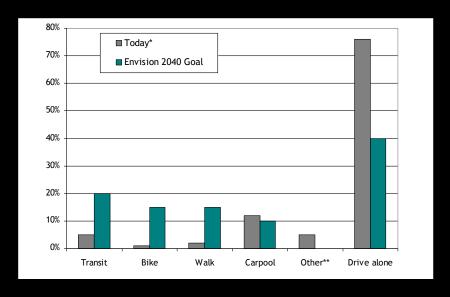
## Why?

- Streets for People
  - Access by All Modes
  - Safety
  - EnvironmentalSustainability
  - Economic Vitality
  - Health
  - Quality of Life
  - Social Justice
  - & More



## How?

- Policies
  - Envision San Jose 2040
  - Vision Zero San Jose
  - Bike Plan 2020



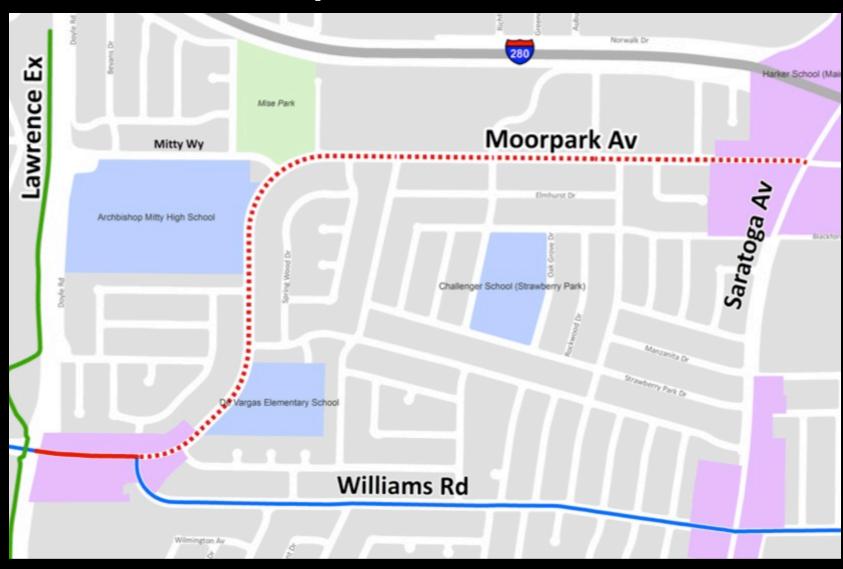
- Implementation
  - What we're talking about today...



## 2015 Road "Right-sizing"

- Moorpark Avenue
- South 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets
- Lincoln Avenue

## Moorpark Avenue



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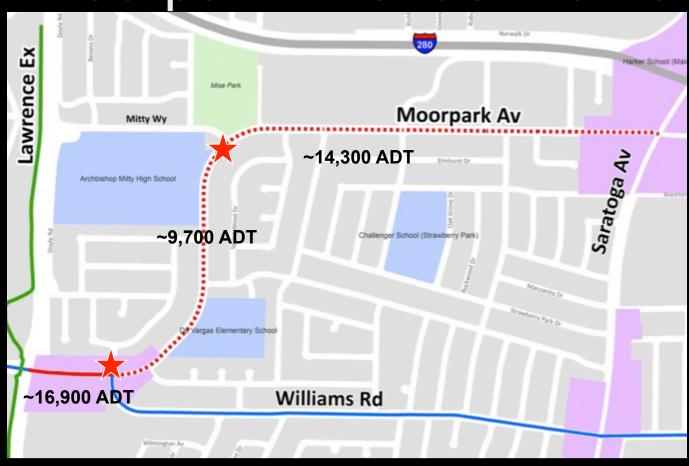


## Moorpark Avenue Safety



- Auto Speeds & Crashes
- Pedestrian Crossing
- Gaps in Bike Network

Moorpark Avenue Traffic



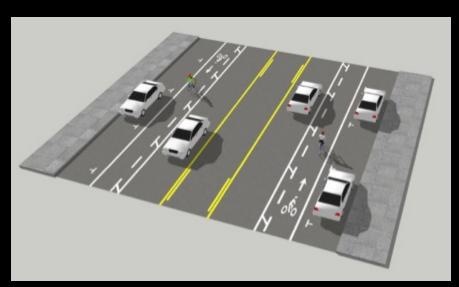
#### Data & Analysis

- 2015 Auto Traffic Speed & Volume
- Intersection Level of Service (LOS)

# Moorpark Avenue Recommendations

- Roadway
   Configuration: Williams
   to Saratoga
  - Reduce lanes needed to cross (autos, pedestrians)
  - Provide dedicated space for left turn movements
  - Provide space for people on bikes

Top Image - Conceptual Design Bottom Image - Williams Rd & Leo Dr

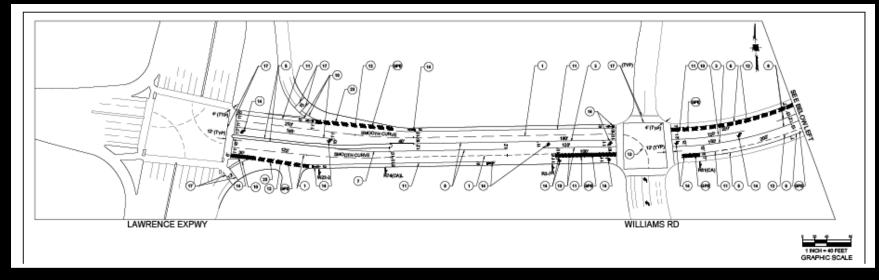




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- Roadway Configuration: Lawrence to Williams
  - Maintain current number of lanes
  - Increase clarity (green paint for auto/bicycle conflict areas)

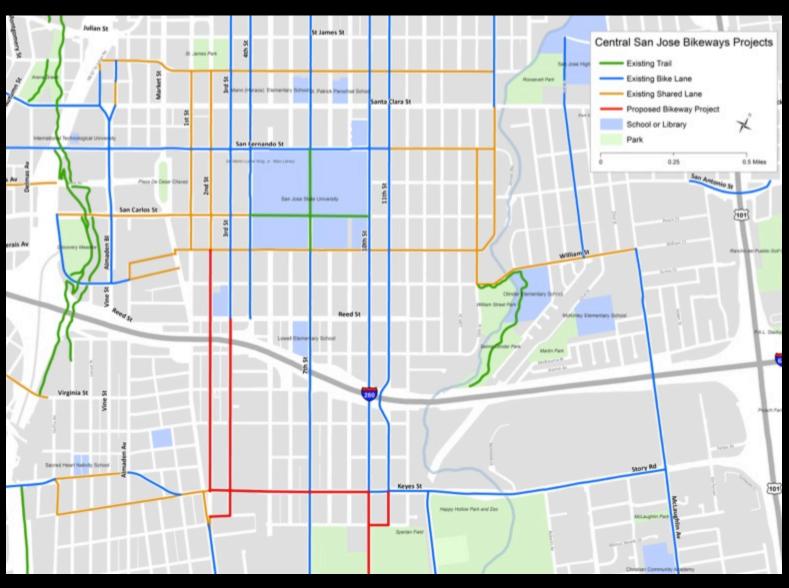




## Moorpark Avenue Recommendations

- Key Features
  - Greater Clarity @ Strawberry Park Shopping Center
  - Crossing conditions between Saratoga & Mitty Way (further analysis & funding needed)
  - Mitty Way
    - Dedicated right turn from Moorpark westbound to Mitty Way
    - Potential signal retiming (further analysis & funding needed)
  - De Vargas School (loading & queuing areas)
  - Williams Road (dedicated right turn from Moorpark eastbound to Williams)

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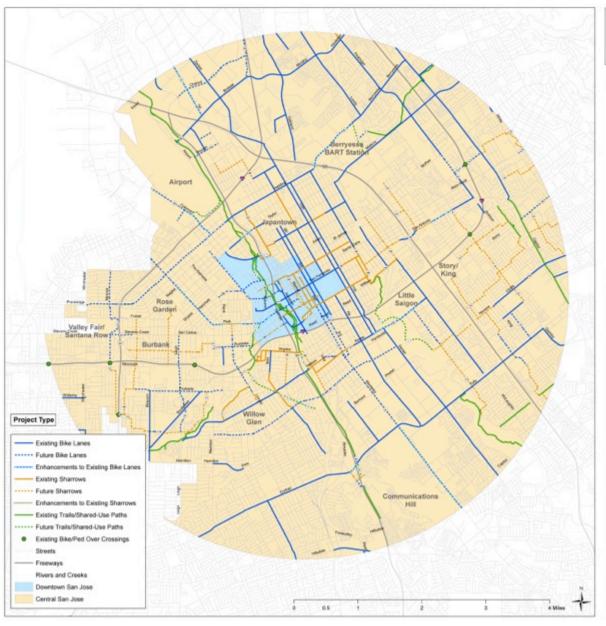




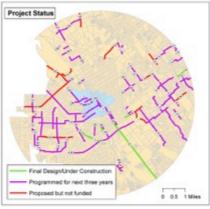


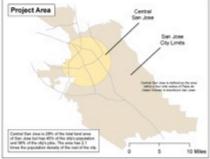
## South 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Recommendations

- Implement road diet in line with General Plan & Central San Jose policy priority
- Design and configuration:
  - Reduce auto lanes from 3 to 2
  - Add buffered bicycle lanes
  - Maintain 1-way operations for interim
  - At southern end of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, route bicyclists along Keyes to South 1<sup>st</sup> and Monterey



#### **Central San Jose** Bikeway Projects Under Construction, Programmed, and Proposed





The City is building out the bicycle network from downtown Park Avenue bikeway improvements are underway

Lincoln Avenue will have sharrows from Park to San Carlos and bike lanes from San Carlos to Coe

The latter requires limited parking removal near Azurais

Public meeting held on Aug 13, 2014 for these projects

The concept of modifying Lincoln Ave in the Willow Glen business district (Coe to Minnesota) has been informally discussed by numerous stakeholders for many years

Councilmember Oliverio requested that SJDOT design and implement a 4 to 3 lane reduction "trial" in 2015 in advance of scheduled pavement maintenance

The new temporary roadway configuration was installed on February 26, 2015

A report evaluating traffic conditions before and after the trial was released on June 1, 2015. Findings are:

- Traffic volumes declined on Lincoln Ave about 500 to 1,000 vehicles per day in the Willow Glen business district
- Surrounding neighborhood streets did not experience significant increases in daily traffic volumes
- Vehicles no longer using Lincoln Ave are likely using regional highways and arterials outside Willow Glen
- There was no change in the level of service at signalized intersections on Lincoln Ave in the business district

The public is divided with respect to making the road diet permanent

The Willow Glen business association took a formal position opposing continuation of the road diet

The Willow Glen neighborhood association has taken a formal position in favor of making the road diet permanent

Per the conditions established before the trial was initiated and given the opposition of the business association, the San Jose DOT will not recommend continuation of the road diet

The San Jose Mercury News editorial board has recommended continuation of the trial

The City Council may provide direction to the DOT prior to the scheduled paving project in October