

## Advisory Committee Meeting #1

### Draft Summary

April 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-6:00pm

#### Attendees:

##### Project Team

Chris Ghione	City of Morgan Hill
Nichole Martin	City of Morgan Hill - Bike and Ped Encouragement
Maria Angeles	City of Morgan Hill - Engineering
Nolen Ugalde	City of Morgan Hill - Engineering
Ellie Fiore	Toole Design
Ellie Gertler	Toole Design

##### Police Department

Johnk Kuhlen	Morgan Hill Police Department
Ray Ramos	Morgan Hill Police Department

##### Community Members

Lisa Kay Dugan	Local Resident/Parent
Joe Mueller	Local Resident/Planning Commissioner
Wanye Tanda	Local Resident/Planning Commissioner

##### School

##### Representatives

Nanette Donohue	Morgan Hill Unified - Britton Middle School
Joe Guinane	Morgan Hill Unified - El Toro
Ricky Carrillo	Morgan Hill Unified - Facilities
Patrick Buchser	Morgan Hill Unified - Jackson Academy
Veronica Diaz	Morgan Hill Unified - Live Oak High School
Juan Carlos Cuevas	Morgan Hill Unified - PA Walsh
Amber Andrade	Morgan Hill Unified - Paradise Valley
Mark Pierce	Morgan Hill Unified - Sobrato High School

#### Introductions and Project Overview

Chris Ghione opened the meeting and thanked meeting attendees. Each participant introduced themselves, and Ellie Fiore, Project Manager with Toole Design, shared the role and expectations of the Advisory Committee. Members are asked to attend and actively participate in up to four meetings, help promote opportunities for engagement, and advise the project team. Advisory Committee members may be asked to weigh in on project deliverables or other items via email between meetings.

The next advisory committee meeting will be held on Wednesday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 5:00 – 6:00 pm.

Ellie Fiore provided an overview of the Safe Streets and Roads for All program, the project scope, and how the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) will build upon the work of the 2024 Transportation Master Plan. The priorities of this effort are to develop a Safe Routes to Schools needs assessment, toolkit, and to advance priority projects to concept design to prepare for grant funding requests.

Ellie Gertler, Toole Design Planner, provided an overview of community engagement activities, including upcoming site audits and the online survey.

## Discussion/Priorities

Following the presentation, the Advisory Committee asked questions and shared their priorities for the project, as well as known roadway safety issues. This discussion is outlined below.

### Questions

One committee member asked if this project would address the new “daylighting” law (AB 413) which prohibits parking within 20 feet of crosswalks. City staff shared that they do not have the resources to implement this citywide at this time, but that the plan can include priority areas for daylighting near schools.

Another participant asked if the grant funding could cover the cost of crossing guards. This is not an eligible use of SS4A funds.

A committee member asked if VTA was involved in this effort. Chris explained that they will review and comment on the plan, but cannot attend these meetings. They did participate in the TMP process.

One person asked about the status of the MoGo on-demand ride service. Service has been ended due to a lack of ongoing funding.

### *Safe Routes to Schools Comments*

- Live Oak High School:
  - At the Three-way stop behind campus (Elm Rd/Half Rd), there is a dangerous left turn from Half turning left onto Elm
  - There was a fatality 10-15 years ago in front of school, need for safer crossing
  - The City is working with the County to pave sidewalks on Main Ave this summer
- Sobrato High School:
  - The front of school is a major concern
  - Sobrato has weekly meetings with Jessie Swift, director of student services, and a PD representative, to discuss this
- Paradise Valley Elementary School:

- The tree in the crosswalk at La Crosse is big concern as it blocks visibility
- The Watsonville Rd/Santa Teresa intersection is dangerous to cross
- At Calle Enrique/La Crosse, drivers consistently run stop sign at all hours
- Unhoused populations on Llagas Creek Trail can deter use of the trail
- Nordstrom Elementary:
  - East Dunne is very dangerous in the morning when young children are present
- Barrett Elementary:
  - Major construction across the street is a concern
- Britton Elementary:
  - Crosswalk at Monterey/Central Ave is dangerous
    - The City is working on improvements to Monterey that will improve this crossing and section of Monterey (center medians, HAWK, re-striping)