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### FOOTHILL BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS From 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 164<sup>th</sup> /Miramar Avenue

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### 1. What is the Foothill Boulevard Improvement Project?

In general, this project will:

- construct Class II bike lanes on both sides of the roadway;
- construct new sidewalk between Carolyn Street and approximately 1,300 feet northwest of Carolyn Street (adjacent to the hillside);
- re-stripe Foothill Boulevard from four travel lanes to two travel lanes; and,
- level and resurface the roadway pavement.

#### 2. Why are the improvements needed?

- Currently, bicyclists traveling on this section of Foothill Boulevard share the traveled lane with motor vehicles. This condition often discourages bicyclists from using these roadways. With a signed and striped (Class II) bike lane, bicyclists would have their own separate traveled lane and motorists' awareness of bicyclists on the roadway would be increased.
- With only an estimated 4,300 vehicles travelling per day, two travel lanes are adequate for Foothill Boulevard in this area. Moreover, reducing the number of lanes may "calm traffic" (i.e. reduce speeds) on this roadway.
- There is a lack of sidewalks along the area adjacent to the hillside, between Carolyn Street and approximately 1,300 feet northwest of Carolyn Street. This project would construct concrete sidewalk to fill the missing sidewalk gap in this area.
- The current pavement condition on Foothill Boulevard contains pavement cracks and an uneven pavement surface. As part of this project, the pavement surface will be levelled and resurfaced to reduce the uneven pavement surface and provide a smoother ride.

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# 3. Are medians proposed in this project? Will access to my driveway travelling (southbound) on the opposite side be affected or eliminated?

"Painted" medians will be constructed in this project at various locations. Since the medians are painted, access to driveways from the opposing (southbound) lane is preserved. There are no new raised curb medians planned in this project.

#### 4. What impacts can be expected during construction?

Motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians will experience some delays. Intermittent lane closures will be necessary at times during construction. During any closure, traffic will be regulated by appropriate signage and/or a flagger during working hours. During sidewalk construction and resurfacing work, parking will be restricted. During non-working hours, the contractor will reopen all lanes and parking whenever safely possible. Advance notification of temporary roadway closures and no parking will be provided on changeable message boards and posted signs along Foothill Blvd. Road/lane closure information will also be posted on the Public Works Agency website at www.acgov.org/pwa.

#### 5. How will construction affect access into my property?

Access into your property will be maintained during construction except for a limited time during sidewalk construction and pavement resurfacing work.

#### 6. When will construction start and end?

We anticipate construction to begin in late summer 2014 and end in the fall 2014.

#### 7. What notification and project updates will the County provide?

The Public Works Agency and its contractor will notify residents along the affected section of Foothill Boulevard by letter within two (2) weeks of the construction start date. Additionally, the Public Works Agency will post project updates on its website: www.acgov.org/pwa.

#### 8. Who do I contact to get more information about this project?

There are several ways you can contact us:

- Via website: www.acgov.org/pwa
- By email: info@acpwa.org
- By phone: Bond Ng, Project Engineer, 510-670-5785