



DRAFT MINUTES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION

June 15, 2022

Draft Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jack Carter (VC), Gerhard Eschelbeck, Ilango Ganga (C), Erik Lindskog

Absent: Grace John

Staff: David Stillman, Staff Liaison

Others Present: Marlon Aumentado, Assistant Engineer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. May 18, 2022 Minutes

MOTION: Vice Chair Carter moved, seconded by Commissioner Eschelbeck to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION PASSED: 4-0, John Absent

POSTPONEMENTS

No Postponements

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

2. Future Agenda Items (Ganga)

Carmen Road Bridge

Public Places for Bike Racks (include e-bike parking)

Education on How to Use Two-Stage Left Turn Boxes

Path between Lincoln Elementary and Monta Vista High School

The Impact of Semi-Rural Designation on Bike and Ped Projects/Priorities

Adaptive Traffic Signal Pilot Update
Multi-Modal Traffic Count Pilot Update
Reassess the Intersection at Bubb Road/McClellan Road
Stevens Creek Boulevard, Phases 1-3
Legally Allowed Behavior at Stop Signs for Bicyclists
Vision Zero
Lead Pedestrian Walk Interval
Diagonal Crosswalks
Lawson Middle School Bike Path
Input from Seniors on the Bicycle Pedestrian Improvements
Bollinger Road Safety Corridor Project
AB 43 – Summary and how Commission can support implementation
Bicycle Licensing (to prevent bike theft)
Improvement of existing Class IV Bike Lanes, including maintenance

NEW BUSINESS

3. Bicycle Boulevard Project, Phase 2 (Aumentado)

Marlon Aumentado, Assistant Engineer gave a presentation on the Bicycle Boulevard Project, Phase 2 to the Bicycle Pedestrian Commission (Commission.)

Commissioner Eschelbeck asked if the bicyclists were using the bulbouts and wondered if they were elevated and not accessible. Mr. Aumentado answered that they were not elevated; bicyclists passed through the bollards at roadway level. Commissioner Lindskog liked the approach of bikes going inside the bulbouts. Chair Ganga commented that another reason for the bulbouts was to allow pedestrians room to cross. Mr. Aumentado agreed and added that it shortened the crossing distance. Chair Ganga wondered how staff's proposal helped bicyclists going through the bollards. Mr. Aumentado said there was no conflict, bicyclists were able to transverse right through the bulbout.

Commissioner Lindskog wanted confirmation that the bulbouts were created with bollards. Mr. Aumentado said yes. Delineators or bollards were going to be used for the curb extension. Mr. Aumentado confirmed that these were all Class 3 routes, and striping was going to be done as well. Vice Chair Carter wondered if the bulbouts were being installed because of the Bike Boulevard project or was it because there was a problem. Mr. Aumentado said both. The problem was identified during community outreach for the Bike Boulevard project. David Stillman, Transportation Manager said the bulbouts were developed in collaboration with the neighborhood, people that attended the community meetings held at the time, to help define the bike boulevard and to help calm traffic along the bike boulevard. He noted that parking would be removed anywhere there would be bulbouts. This was a discussion that was still needed with each property owner that fronted a bulbout location. Parking would be significantly impacted with the installation.

Vice Chair Carter wondered if staff was going to put out cones a few days to a week before the installation to simulate the bulbout installation. Mr. Aumentado did not recommend doing that.

Commissioner Eschelbeck thought the idea with the bollards was a superior solution to what the Commission had seen before. He wondered if there was a risk for small trucks to be damaged by the bollards. Second, he wanted to know if the parking could be quantified by the changes suggested and if there were any speed tables. Mr. Aumentado answered regarding trucks causing damage to poles, there was a potential for them to be knocked down, but few were knocked down in the area. There was enough room in both directions to maintain a wide enough lane, as the standard was 12 feet. Commissioner Eschelbeck wondered if the bollard was made from flexible material. Mr. Aumentado said they were plastic, so more harm would be caused to the bollard than the vehicle. Regarding parking, Mr. Aumentado said there will be about two spaces per corner. Concerning the speed tables, they were created as part of the bike boulevard, but they were usually installed with the repaving projects. Mr. Stillman commented that there were no speed tables as part of Phase 2 of the Bike Boulevard project.

Chair Ganga wondered if there was a traffic count performed and if there was a speed estimate so it could be determined if there was a need for speed tables. Mr. Aumentado responded that the traffic data to support the bulbouts was conducted in 2017. Mr. Stillman added that staff did collect the data in 2017 and 2018 and the improvements being recommended were the result of that analysis.

Commissioner Lindskog inquired regarding parking removal, it would be great if parking was not allowed too close to the bulbouts, so there was space between the bulbout and the first parked car. Mr. Aumentado confirmed there was a tapered space.

Chair Ganga inquired if there was a plan to collect traffic data. Mr. Aumentado said they did not plan to gather any traffic data.

Vice Chair Carter observed, according to the staff presentation, that it looked like there was an area where cars would run into one another on Tilson Avenue at Stern Avenue. Mr. Aumentado said no, that it was more of an optical illusion on the slide.

Commissioner Eschelbeck wondered what the timeframe was for seeing the implementations done. Mr. Aumentado said there were some parking spaces that needed to be removed but the goal was to start before the beginning of the school year.

Chair Ganga wondered if notice was given to the homeowners. Mr. Aumentado said not at this time; he wanted to come to the Commission first to make sure their concerns were met. Commissioner Eschelbeck wanted to ensure residents were aware that something was happening. Mr. Aumentado confirmed. Chair Ganga thought there should be outreach to residents.

MOTION: Commissioner Eschelbeck moved, seconded by Commissioner Lindskog to recommend to:

1. Approve the materials reviewed for Bike Boulevard Phase 2 and their respective locations
2. Have all locations and design be consistent with what was shared with residents in 2017, including selected parking impacts
3. Have the main change be the type of bulbout; instead of an elevated bulbout the design will include bollards
4. Reach out to the residents for input and consideration before implementation of Phase 2, before construction.

MOTION PASSED: 4-0, John Absent

4. Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement Vacation and Rodrigues Avenue Midblock Pedestrian Crosswalk (Stillman)

Chair Ganga recused himself from this item as he lives near the Regnart Creek Trail. Vice Chair Carter Chaired the meeting for this item.

Commissioner Lindskog disclosed he lives within 500 feet of the proposed Trail. A Fair Political Practices Commission advice letter, A191092 to former Mayor Scharf, whose neighboring property is similarly situated to Commissioner Lindskog's says the proposed Regnart Creek Trail would not create a financial conflict. He further concluded that the Bicycle Pedestrian Commission (Commission) was not a decision-making body, and he planned to participate in the discussion.

Chair Ganga left the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

David Stillman, Transportation Manager gave a presentation on the Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement Vacation and Rodrigues Avenue Midblock Pedestrian Crosswalk.

Commissioner Eschelbeck wondered if the crossings over Rodrigues Avenue allowed for multiple crossings to be in place. He walked the area and some crossings felt safer than others. Mr. Stillman commented that the crossings were not mutually exclusive, but the effort was to minimize the crossings and to focus activity at a single location. If the observations and the data indicate that two crosswalks were needed instead of one, that could be a recommendation. Commissioner Eschelbeck remarked that when the trail opened it would help to gather data. He thought the need to have a crosswalk was obvious, which was needed from the east and the west sides. He did not see the need to wait.

Christina Yang, public speaker made mention of the possibility of a gate at the west entrance and wondered if there was any traffic study data available. She questioned whether the installation of a sign would reduce the misuse of the easement.

John, public speaker said there was a lot of people riding a bike on the walkway. It was narrow and not designed for a bicycle; how was the City going to address this.

Seema Lindskog, public speaker stated the Lozano access path was put in place before the homes were built and each homeowner signed an acknowledgment about the path. Giving up the easement was a poor fiscal decision, she wanted to keep the Lozano access path open.

Helene Davis, public speaker felt giving away the Lozano access was not in line with community desires and set a bad precedent.

Louise Saadati, public speaker remarked that many people reached out to her saying it was important to keep the trail open. It was unprecedented for the City to release the easement and homeowners knew about the easement when they bought their home.

Xingchi He, public speaker said the walkway did not have America with Disability Act access and the visibility was bad both ways. People were using the trail at night, and he did not know if people would comply with the trail hours.

Hervé Marcy, public speaker wanted to keep the easement open. The path was there before the homes were built and the homeowners knew about the path when they bought their home. In keeping with this access, it improved the quality of life for all residents in the City.

Matt W, public speaker urged the Commission to not vacate the easement. It was not a good idea to abandon the easement simply because there were safety concerns.

Commissioner Lindskog looked at the Climate Action Plan and observed that 60% of greenhouse gas emissions came from transportation. It was not good to reduce the walking trails, they should be increased. He did not support removing the easement. In giving the easement over to the property owners it meant giving people property that was not theirs. He liked Mr. Stillman's recommendation to mark the easement as a public walkway. He suggested monitoring the use of the path for a year to decide if a crosswalk was needed. If speeding was an issue near the path, measures needed to be taken to reduce the speed for vehicles.

Commissioner Eschelbeck reviewed the physical site and listened to the Council meeting. Their outcome was to monitor the situation as there was no data to support any decisions. He thought there needed to be safe crossings. There was no safe crossing on the north side to the south side of Rodrigues Avenue. It was urgent to come up with a plan for crossings.

Vice Chair Carter thought crosswalk B in the presentation was going to be dangerous because of visibility. It fit within the legal requirements, but he felt it was too dangerous. He described a

situation where there would be an opening at the end of the trail, and someone could ride into the street suddenly. There needed to be a safety mechanism to prevent someone from riding into the crosswalk and causing an accident. He did not see a reason to give up the easement currently and there were ways to mitigate having bicyclists ride through easily.

Mr. Stillman's expectation was to pass a motion that would encompass the staff recommendation but wanted to address some concerns. Regarding the crosswalk at the Rodrigues gate, he said human behavior was notoriously unpredictable. Commissioner Eschelbeck may be right that a crosswalk should be put in, but Mr. Stillman recommended doing some observations before a crosswalk was installed. He assured the Commission that he will not wait a year if an issue needed to be addressed. If a crossing was needed at one of these three locations, or other locations, he would get ahead of that as soon as the behavior was seen.

Vice Chair Carter wondered how the behavior was observed. Mr. Stillman said one way was to go watch the behavior, which took a lot of staff time and was not feasible. There were also consultants that have cameras for bicycle and pedestrian counts so they could see over a continuous amount of time; this was likely what would be done. Vice Chair Carter thought that was a long time to wait without a crosswalk; he wanted clarification that Mr. Stillman was talking about post-opening of the trail. Mr. Stillman said yes. Once the trail opened, that was when things had the potential to change. Traffic counts, speed surveys, etcetera could be done later this year, after the trail was open. Vice Chair Carter wondered if that depended on what the easement would become. Mr. Stillman foresaw the easement as pedestrian only or to have direction for people to walk bikes. He suggested an advisory sign for people to walk their bikes. Vice Chair Carter brought up the Linda Vista Trail and said people used bikes after that trail opened and a sign was not a deterrent.

Commissioner Eschelbeck brought up that a lot of money was spent on this project but there was no safe crossing on Rodrigues now. He wanted a safe crossing on Rodrigues. Vice Chair Carter agreed. Commissioner Eschelbeck thought waiting was not appropriate. Commissioner Lindskog was okay with recommending a crosswalk if it did not come along with a recommendation to vacate the easement.

Commissioner Eschelbeck felt more comfortable having data. The installation of the path could mean that traffic could rapidly increase. Deciding was too premature, but a safe crossing was necessary. Vice Chair Carter did not want to give up the easement but thought there needed to be limitations on how the trail was used. The issue with the easement was not that it was there but that it was not used how it was intended. It was made for pedestrian traffic.

Vice Chair Carter strongly advised that the easement state it be used for pedestrian use only. Commissioner Eschelbeck said that was consistent with Council's recommendation. Commissioner Lindskog asked about the request for more data even though some Commissioners were recommending a crosswalk; there was no data requested for the crosswalk. Commissioner Eschelbeck explained that if the use of this trail goes up then there may be the need for other crossing considerations or multiple crossings.

MOTION: Commissioner Eschelbeck moved, seconded by Commissioner Lindskog to recommend to the City Council: a pedestrian crosswalk according to concept A.

MOTION PASSED: 3-0, Ganga Recused, John Absent

MOTION: Commissioner Lindskog moved, seconded by Vice Chair Carter to recommend to the City Council to:

1. Determine the need for additional crosswalks based on studies within the first year of opening;
2. Not vacate the pedestrian easement at this time; and
3. To have the hours of use be consistent with the easement.

MOTION PASSED: 3-0, Ganga Recused, John Absent

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

5. Staff Update and Commissioner Activity Report (All)

David Stillman, Transportation Manager relayed that the City Council approved the Capital Improvements Project Budget for the next Fiscal Year and as part of that the Council approved the De Anza Boulevard Bike Lane Project. Transportation Division staff is applying for Federal funding for the De Anza Boulevard Bike Lane Project and is expecting to submit the application in July. Council approved the City Work Plan, which included approval of: 1) the Vision Zero Program with a budget of \$80,000; 2) the Lawson Bike Path with \$40,000; and 3) the Bike Facilities Project with a budget of \$50,000. Transportation staff will move forward with Vision Zero in August, which will include a Request for Proposal.

Commissioner Lindskog reported on the VTA BPAC meeting, Mayor's meeting, and the Safe Routes to School Meeting.

Vice Chair Carter will attend the Mayor's Meeting and Safe Routes to School in July.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

David Stillman, Staff Liaison

Note: Any attachments can be found on the Cupertino Website
<https://www.cupertino.org/our-city/agendas-minutes>

Bike Boulevards Bulbouts

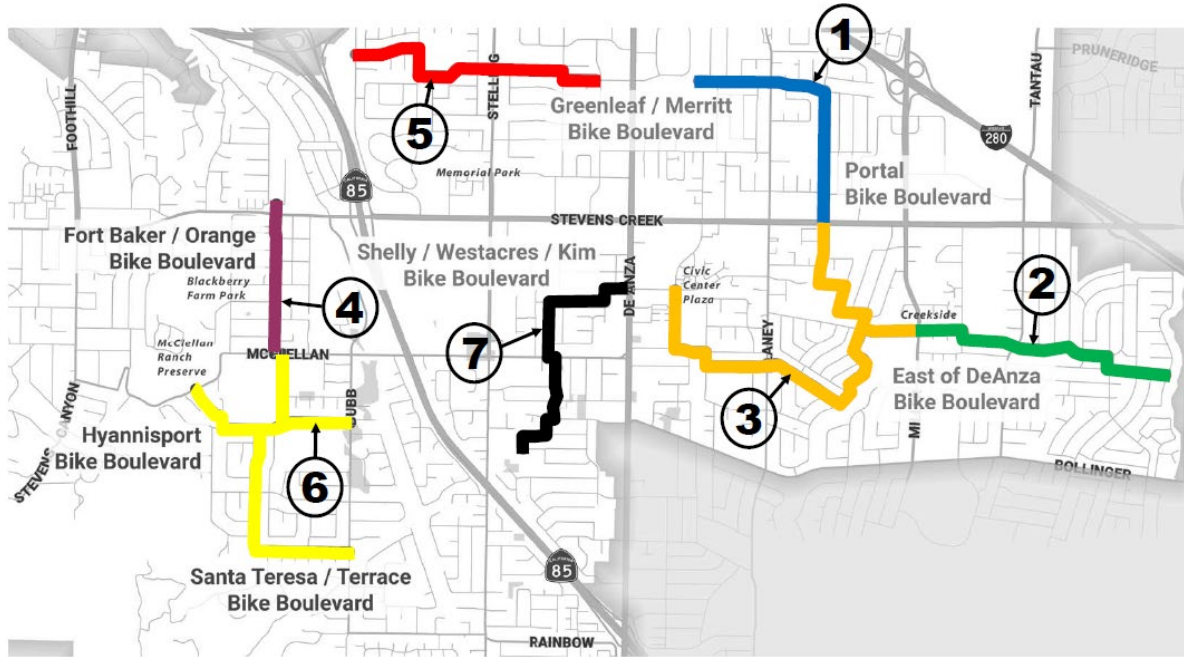
June 15, 2022



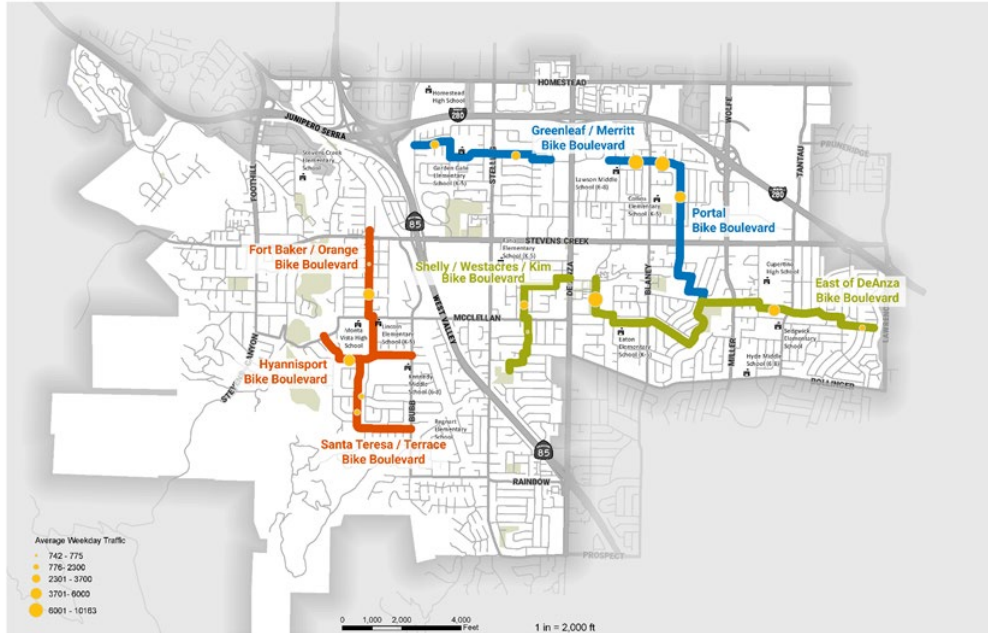
Background

- Bicycle Transportation Plan adopted June 2016
- Identified Network of Bike Boulevards throughout City
 - Class III bike routes
 - Low-volume, low-speed residential streets
 - Improved w/ traffic calming features and wayfinding signage
 - Provide connectivity between local neighborhood destinations and arterial corridors
- Bike Boulevards grouped by geographic location into 7 neighborhoods
- Implementation has been separated into neighborhood-specific projects for outreach and constructing staging purposes

Neighborhood Workshop Map



Bike Boulevard Phases



Phase 1

- Portal
- Greenleaf-Merritt

Phase 2

- Shelly / Westacres / Kim
- East of De Anza

Phase 3

- Fort Baker / Orange
- Santa Teresa / Terrace
- Hyannisport

Recommended Action

Review and Approve locations of bulbouts to implement as part of Phase 2 of the Bike Boulevards project



Pros and Cons

Pros

- Shortens pedestrian crossing distances
- Increases pedestrian and bicycle visibility at intersections
- Reduces vehicle speeds by visually narrowing roadway

Cons

- Can be difficult to clean and maintain
- May be a visual disturbance for homeowners

Tilson Ave at S Tantau Ave

7 of 25

MATCHLINE - SEE PREVIOUS SHEET



MATCHLINE - SEE NEXT SHEET

Tilson Ave at Stern Ave ^{8 of 25}



MATCHLINE - SEE PREVIOUS SHEET

MATCHLINE - SEE NEXT SHEET

Wunderlich Dr at Tilson Ave – Barnhart Ave ^{9 of 25}



Bicycle Pedestrian Commission

Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement & Midblock Pedestrian Crosswalk



CUPERTINO
June 15, 2022

History

- Campo de Lozano developed early 2000's
- Development included Regnart Creek Trail along southern boundary
- Trail was 400' long, terminating at western edge of development
- City requested and was granted 10' wide pedestrian easement along western boundary to connect Regnart Creek Trail to Rodrigues
- Trail connects to publicly accessible sidewalks at eastern end

History

- City approved extension of Regnart Creek Trail in 2020, including a continuation westward from Campo de Lozano to Rodrigues and City Center
- HOA requested City vacate easement, due to new connectivity to the west and security concerns
- Public opening of Regnart Creek Trail anticipated late 2022

History

- City Council heard item February 1 and March 1, 2022. Directed staff to:
 - Monitor trail and pathway usage and return to Council after one year with report
 - Return to Council sooner with crosswalk concepts and signage suggestions

Aerial Vicinity Map

14 of 25



Considerations – Easement Vacation

- Cost to City \$20,000 to resurface path, \$1,000-\$2,000/year maintenance, and ongoing liability
- Relevant General Plan policies:
 - M-2.3: CONNECTIVITY: Promote pedestrian and bicycle improvements that improve connectivity between planning areas, neighborhoods, and services, and foster a sense of community
 - M-3.2: DEVELOPMENT: Require new development and redevelopment to increase connectivity through direct and safe pedestrian connections to public amenities, neighborhoods, shopping, and employment destinations throughout the city.
- Vacation irreversible

Considerations – Midblock Crosswalk

- Midblock crosswalks discouraged
 - Difficult to channelize pedestrians
 - Unexpected by drivers
 - Site distance considerations at locations under current consideration
- Three general locations feasible:
 - Location A: at Rodrigues gate
 - Location B: approx. 70' west of walkway on curve
 - Location C: approx. 70' or 170' east of walkway
- Crosswalk at walkway not possible due to driveway, fire hydrant and storm drain

Locations – Midblock Crosswalk

- Available site distance:
 - Location A: West-unlimited. East-240;
 - Location B: West-200'. East-unlimited.
 - Location C (70' east): West-200'. East-unlimited
 - Location C (170' east): West-310'. East-unlimited
- Minimum stopping site distance per HDM: 200 feet at 30 mph
- Any midblock crossing would need to be enhanced with high visibility striping, advance warning and pedestrian-actuated flashing beacons
- Approximate cost \$40,000

At Pathway

18 of 25



Driveway, fire hydrant and storm drain conflicts

Location A



Looking to west - unlimited



Looking to east – 240'

Location B

20 of 25



Looking to west – 200'



Looking to east – unlimited'

Location C (70' east of pathway)

21 of 21



Looking to west – 200'



Looking to east – unlimited'

Location C (170' ^{22' 195'} east of pathway)



Looking to west – 310'



Looking to east – unlimited'

Staff Recommendation

- Do not install midblock crossings at this time. Install signage at walkway entrances advising “Pedestrian Walkway – Dismount Bicycle”, or similar, along with hours of trail operation
- Collect data on trail usage, walkway usage, and vehicle speeds for one year following opening of trail
- Evaluate need for midblock crossings or trail access closures at that time
- Return to BPC with recommendation following evaluation, followed by City Council presentation for final action
- If, during the data collection process, staff observes issues that need attention sooner, staff will return to BPC with recommendations

Questions?

END SLIDE

Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement & Midblock Pedestrian Crosswalk



CUPERTINO

June 15, 2022

VTA BPAC Report

For the June 8, 2022 VTA BPAC meeting

Erik Lindskog

Updated 2016 Measure B Program Category Guidelines

State Route 85 Corridor Meas-B Program Guidelines

- Fund new transit and congestion relief projects on SR 85, including a new transit lane from SR 87 in San Jose to U.S. 101 in Mountain View.
- Fund noise abatement along SR 85
- Fund studying transportation alternatives such as
 - Bus Rapid Transit
 - Light Rail Transit, and
 - Future transportation technologies.
- \$350 million in 2017 dollars.

**MTC Complete Streets Policy and Complete
Streets Checklist - Update**

MTC Complete Streets Policy and Complete Streets Checklist - Update

- Purpose
 - Create linkage to Vision Zero
 - Promote ATPs
 - Lift up and help implement state policies
- Changes
 - Requires implementation of adopted plans, safety and sustainability analysis
 - Transit agency and BPAC review
 - Equity priority

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:29 AM
To: Kim Lunt
Subject: FW: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail
Attachments: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail

David Stillman
Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249

-----Original Message-----

From: Hervé Marcy <herve@hmarcy.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 5:52 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Kim Lunt

From: Hervé Marcy <herve@hmarcy.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 5:52 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission
Subject: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail
Attachments: OpenPGP_0x8DF25C1BFDEA20B8.asc; OpenPGP_signature.dat

Dear Mayor Paul and City Councilmembers,

I ask that you vote NO to closing the walking pathway along Lozano Lane, which will connect Rodrigues Avenue and the Regnart Creek Trail, which is planned to open this year.

We as a family residing in Cupertino would benefit from using the easement path at Lozano Lane to get to the Regnart Creek trail, as this would mean a direct access to a safe pedestrian way to go to, for instance, the Cupertino Library and Wilson Park, where our kids spend a lot of time.

The benefit for all of these residents should be an overwhelming consideration compared to the eight homeowners living next to an existing and designated walking path.

The city expressly kept the rights to this path when the Lozano Lane HOA was formed decades ago to make sure local residents could use it to get to the Regnart Creek Trail. This path has been in place since the homes were built. Each and every homeowner knew this when they bought their home.

If there is a new concern now -after almost 20 years of use- that people will cross in the middle of Rodrigues to access the path, there are traffic calming solutions available to the city.

This path easement is worth around \$1 million. It is financially irresponsible of the city to just give it away to these 8 homeowners.

Treating this easement differently than the many other very similar easements in Cupertino gives the impression of an improper sweetheart deal to benefit a handful of residents at the expense of hundreds of other residents.

I urge you today for the sake of ALL the residents of Cupertino to leave the walking path along Lozano Lane as it was built and intended to be all along. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Hervé Marcy

--

Hervé MARCY
herve@hmarcy.com

--

Hervé MARCY
herve@hmarcy.com

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30 AM
To: Kim Lunt
Subject: FW: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249



From: Prerana Trehan <prerana.trehan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 6:57 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Vote No to closing Lozano Lane pathway to Regnart Creek Trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mayor Paul and City Councilmembers,

I ask that you vote NO to closing the walking pathway along Lozano Lane, which will connect Rodrigues Avenue and the Regnart Creek Trail, which is planned to open this year.

There are hundreds of townhouses and apartments along Rodrigues with thousands of residents who would benefit from using the easement path at Lozano Lane to get to the Regnart Creek trail. The benefit for all of these residents should be an overwhelming consideration compared to the eight homeowners living next to an existing and designated walking path.

The city expressly kept the rights to this path when the Lozano Lane HOA was formed decades ago to make sure local residents could use it to get to the Regnart Creek Trail. This path has been in place since the homes were built. Each and every homeowner knew this when they bought their home.

If there is a new concern now--after almost 20 years of use--that people will cross in the middle of Rodrigues to access the path, there are traffic calming solutions available to the city.

This path easement is worth around \$1 million. It is financially irresponsible of the city to just give it away to these 8 homeowners.

Treating this easement differently than the many other very similar easements in Cupertino gives the impression of an improper sweetheart deal to benefit a handful of residents at the expense of hundreds of other residents.

I urge you today for the sake of ALL the residents of Cupertino to leave the walking path along LozanoLane as it was built and intended to be all along. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Prerana T

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Item 4: Vote No on Gifting the Lozano Lane Easement and Champion Connectivity for the Public
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:29:54 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: John Zhao <jzhao098@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 12:52 AM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Item 4: Vote No on Gifting the Lozano Lane Easement and Champion Connectivity for the Public

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I urge you to vote no on gifting the pedestrian path along Lozano Lane connecting Rodrigues Ave to the Regnart Creek Trail.

Connectivity is key. As somebody who grew up in Biltmore as a child, I know how useful this pedestrian path could be for residents in Biltmore Apartments and Waterfall Condominiums. From a connectivity perspective, it simply does not make sense to cut off an access point to the trail.

The City must be a good steward of public resources. If the City goes through with donating the land, the Lozano Lane HOA intends to fence off this pathway to restrict access. First, why does the City want to donate land worth \$1 million? What is the purpose of privatizing public land and restricting access to the public? What are the policies that would guide this decision? This seems antithetical to the reason for the Regnart Creek Trail, which is to increase connectivity and encourage people to make better use of our public resources. This

does not seem like good stewardship of City resources.

Let's reframe what "impact" this path may have. The Lazano Lane pedestrian path will only "impact" 8 houses in the complex. And when I say "impact," I don't even mean that it would necessarily be negative. With high foot and wheel traffic in this area, there should be few safety concerns, as there would be many eyes on the street. Please also consider the epidemic of social isolation in suburbs. From comparing my personal experience of living in the Cupertino suburbs and in urban settings, I know that simply being in the presence of more people can help alleviate a sense of social isolation. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, I think many people could benefit from more social (and distanced) interactions, however minor they are. Even if there were any negative impacts, I urge the commission to consider the benefit that increased connectivity will bring to our city.

We must be consistent with our logic. Even if there were negative impacts to Lozano Lane homeowners, what makes this any different than the impact to residents living along Regnart Creek Trail? If City Council believes that Lozano Lane pedestrian path should be closed down to reduce impact on neighboring residents, the same reasoning should apply to Regnart Creek Trail. Clearly, we have already made a policy choice to move forward with Regnart Creek Trail. Clearly, our city has already made a decision that values better connectivity, walkability, and bikeability for the larger population over the potential discomfort of neighboring residents.

So I urge you to have the courage to be consistent and vote in favor of connectivity and preserving our commons. Please vote NO to gifting the pedestrian path to Lazano Lane HOA.

Sincerely,
John Zhao

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Regnart trail and Lozano
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:05 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Patti Schmidt <4pattischmidt@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 6:54 AM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Regnart trail and Lozano

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Bike Ped Commission,

I urge the city council to please vote no to closing the path along Lozano Lane that connects to the future Regnart Trail, a change that was first brought up on March 1.

This easement is important for many many residents who will use this access point to the Regnart Trail. Why would you want to do this and make this important path less functional? So many students will use this access for travel to school or the library or to the ball field. Other residents will access the trail here, too.

If trails are not accessible at various points they become somewhat useless - tubes with a portal at each end and not helpful to those who live along the

pathway and need to enter midway.

By closing off this access point you set a dangerous precedent for other pathways to be subpar.

I want Cupertino to be bike and pedestrian friendly. Cities that have established systems outside of roads create healthier living, an important goal of most new residents.

This access path has been in use since the Lozano and DePalma condominiums were built almost 20 years ago. When the homeowners bought their homes, they signed an agreement acknowledging the path location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. There are similar easements that run between homes elsewhere in Cupertino, so there is no argument this is a unique case. It's a bad precedent to take it out now.

Thank you for considering the needs of the many people that use and enjoy this path and will even more once the Regnart Creek Trail opens by voting NO on March 1.

Sincerely,

Patti Schmidt
938 Ferngrove Drive

Patti Schmidt

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Please Keep Lozano Lane open at Regnart Trail
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:12 AM

David Stillman
Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249

-----Original Message-----

From: Mona Schorow <monaschorow@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 7:22 AM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Please Keep Lozano Lane open at Regnart Trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Bike Pedestrian Commission:

I and my neighbors would like Lozano Lane to be open to the Regnart Trail. My neighbors and I look forward to (respectfully) using it. The city should keep the path as previously decided.

Sincerely,
Mona Schorow

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Lozano Lane Access
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:22 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Tom Scannell <tscannell01@earthlink.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 12:35 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Lozano Lane Access

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

To the Cupertino Bike Pedestrian Commission

I urge you to maintain the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

Why do I say this?

First, the current configuration of the Regnart Creek trail was the subject of intense discussion and many votes at both your Commission and the City Council for many years. What new facts are now available that would make the Bike-Ped committee think it appropriate make a major change to the plan at this late date?

Second, since there are such easements throughout the city, why are these 8 home owners being shown such favoritism? It's been 20 years since the legal creation of the easement. Each of these homeowners knew about the existence of the easement when they bought their property.

Third, per the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community. Preserving and increasing, NOT decreasing, the entry points to Regnart Trail should be the focus of the Bike-Ped Commission

Finally, frankly, such a grant would "smell" pretty badly. I would question the motivation of the members of the Bike-Ped Commission to grant a "private park" to a small group of households over the interests of the rest of the citizens?

Please do not close the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

Thanks

Tom Scannell
42 year resident of Cupertino

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Please keep Lozano Lane access open to the Regnart Creek Trail
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:33 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Peter Ludemann <peter.ludemann@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 2:16 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Please keep Lozano Lane access open to the Regnart Creek Trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Please keep open the Lozano Lane easement access path to the Regnart Creek Trail and vote No on June 15.

I live near Cupertino, in south Los Altos (our daughters' high schools are in Cupertino); I would visit Cupertino more and spend money at businesses there more, if it were more welcoming to bicyclists. Cupertino needs a lot more alternatives to automobiles for getting around; and these alternatives are only useful if they form a complete network, of which the Regnart Creek Trail is one part. Please don't let a few noisy home owners, whose concerns have already been addressed at significant cost, block the rest of the community.

Sincerely,

Peter Ludemann

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: agenda item 4, pedestrian walkway and crosswalk
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:39 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Anne Ng <anneng@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 3:26 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Cc: seema3366@gmail.com
Subject: agenda item 4, pedestrian walkway and crosswalk

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Honorable Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners:

Please recommend preserving the Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement to the Regnart Creek Trail through the Campo de Lozano property, and endorse the installation of a crosswalk on Rodriguez nearby, Concept B or C.

Please place the safety and convenience of the rest of us in Cupertino, especially the folks who live in the multi-family housing across Rodriguez from the Walkway and Trail, above the wishes of the residents of Campo de Lozano, who knew when they bought their properties that the easement existed.

I assume that line of sight considerations preclude placing a crosswalk at the point the Walkway meets Rodriguez, but the closer the better to encourage its use.

Thank you,

Anne Ng
6031 Bollinger Road

Cupertino

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to Regnart Creek trail
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:48 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Koray Oner <koray_oner@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2022 4:56 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to Regnart Creek trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mayor Paul and respected councilmembers,

Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

I am sick and tired of coming back to this. I want tons of bike lanes in Cupertino. I spent till 1 or 2am when you discussed this at City Hall. I thought this was resolved but you keep bringing this back again and again.

If you don't stop these and allow bike lanes, I promise that I will start largest city wide propaganda to get rid of all of you and bring people who believe the good of all of the city and not a few home owners. Enough already of NIMBYism!!!

We are a community and not only individuals. We need to look for the good of all and not a few.

Thanks ,

Koray Oner

16 year Cupertino and 25 year South Bay resident

PS. I will organize all the youth of Cupertino as well.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Lozano Lane.
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:30:55 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Richard Blaine <dick@theblaines.net>
Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2022 2:33 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Lozano Lane.

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Please keep access.

=====
Dick Blaine
Cupertino, CA

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Lozano Lane to Regnart Trail
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:03 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Sharon Walker <sharon007walker@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2022 3:37 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Lozano Lane to Regnart Trail

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

To the Bike Pedestrian Commission,

As I will not be available for the June 15th Commission Meeting, I'm writing to you to please vote **NO** on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek Trail.

Lozano Lane access path is one of several strategically located access paths to the Regnart Creek Trail. If we start closing designated easements we start down a slippery slope of others making the same request for other easements. The easements were created for a reason and the Regnart Creek Trail is one of the best reasons as it provides a trail for all of Cupertino to enjoy.

We walked the Lozano Lane access path and feel that it has been there for a long time. We don't feel the homes near there are going to be affected anymore now than they were in the past.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON CLOSING LAZANO LANE ACCESS PATH.

Sincerely,
Sharon Walker
10902 Canyon Vista Drive.
Cupertino, CA 95014

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Keep Lozano Lane pathway open to pedestrians (Agenda item 4)
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:19 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Jennifer Shearin <coralcape99@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 9:30 AM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Keep Lozano Lane pathway open to pedestrians (Agenda item 4)

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I write today as a 10 year+ resident of Cupertino who has been active in walking and biking advocacy for many years now. Agenda item 4 on your upcoming meeting agenda is to consider closing the path that is adjacent to Lozano Lane that will connect and access the Regnart Creek Trail. I ask that you vote NO to closing this walking path and keep it open for the use of walking residents.

Cupertino residents want more walking paths and connectivity in their city, not less. The Parks & Recreation Master Plan states that 80% of residents desire “more trails and paths”, and 85% want “improved access to natural open spaces”, such as parks. Closing this path would be the opposite of what the overwhelming number of residents wish for and the city’s own goals.

As Bicycle and Pedestrian Commissioners, your objectives (per the city BPC page) are:

- Expand middle and high school student bicycle and pedestrian trips to 40% of total

school commutes.

- Expand intra-city trips for errands and leisure by adults and seniors via bicycle/walking to 20% of trips.

This path is needed to accomplish your objectives, through encouraging and making more convenient pedestrian trips. The hundreds of residents of the Waterfall Condominiums and the Biltmore Apartments in particular would be affected. They could use this path, once the Regnart Trail is open, to safely and easily travel to Eaton Elementary—a much better walk than along busy Blaney Avenue—or to travel to the library or to head east go to Cupertino High. If a new crosswalk ultimately needs to be added on Rodrigues, it would be an improvement for everyone; a mid-block crossing on this long street would slow down traffic in this residential area.

Furthermore, having an easement for a walking path such as this one is not a unique situation in Cupertino. There are similar easements that run between homes elsewhere in Cupertino, such as into Wilson Park from Vicksburg Drive, and the long stairway path from top of McClellan (at the turn) down to base of McClellan. Eliminating this easement is a bad precedent for the city for future connectivity, and for use of the other easements within the city, too.

Lastly, there doesn't seem to be a compelling reason to give away this easement.The Lozano access path on a city easement was an agreement of subdivision development before any home construction, and was and is designated as a planned connection to the future Regnart Creek Trail. The Lozano HOA CCR which designates this path was filed in 2003, with home construction starting in 2004. The path has been in use since then, and each homeowner has signed an agreement acknowledging the path location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. It is clear that the City Council cares about individual privacy concerns—the almost \$2 million spent in privacy mitigation spending for this trail shows that—but the overall benefit of the Regnart Trail for all the city's residents should not be decreased as a consequence.

Thank you for considering the needs of the many people that use and enjoy this path and will even more once the Regnart Creek Trail opens by voting to leave the Lozano Lane pedestrian path in place on June 15.

Best Wishes,

Jennifer Shearin
19511 Howard Ct.

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Lozano lane bike path
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 11:31:29 AM
Attachments: [Important we need your help for the Regnart Creek Trail access path.rtf](#)

David Stillman
Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249

-----Original Message-----

From: Charles Bombelyn <chuckker@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 7:15 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Lozano lane bike path

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Please leave the access path open. It makes no sense to give the land away and sets a bad precedent.

Thank you
Charles Bombelyn
10281 Torre Ave

From: J Shearin <shearin.jen@gmail.com>
Subject: Important: we need your help for the Regnart
Creek Trail access path
Date: June 10, 2022 at 4:42:13 PM PDT
To: chuckker@aol.com

Hello Charles,

You have been a steadfast supporter of the Regnart Creek trail and we are deeply grateful for it. We need your support again next week to keep the Lozano Lane access path open. It'll be easy and only take about one minute of your time.

The Bike Ped Commission is meeting on Wednesday June 15 at 7pm and Item 4 on the agenda is to consider giving the Lozano Lane access path and the easement back to the sub-division. The BPC needs to hear from residents that the city should not give away this easement and close the path. The recommendation from the BPC will be considered by the Council in their final decision soon.

Here's what we're asking: **Below is the email you sent previously in support of the access path at Lozano Lane. Please copy and paste (don't forward) your previous email into a brand new email and send it to the bike ped commission at bikepedcommission@cupertino.org. That's it.**

If you have time and can dial in to the meeting to read your email in person, that would be amazing, but sending it via email is also great.

If you need a refresher as to why it's important to keep the path open, here's a [summary document that outlines the key points.](#)

Thank you again for all your help and support through the past six years that we've been working to make the Regnart Creek Trail a reality. The trail is scheduled to open by the end of 2022 and we couldn't have done it without you!

All the best,
Jennifer Shearin and Seema Lindskog
Walk-Bike Cupertino Board

Dear Bicycle Pedestrian Commissioners,

I urge you to vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail. There are many reasons why it's a good idea to leave the path open.

- There are many similar easements in Cupertino. If you agree to give this land back to the 8 homeowners in the Lozano Lane HOA, you set a dangerous precedent. Why wouldn't the residents along the other easements ask to have their easements closed too? This would hurt the quality of life of hundreds of residents who use these easements on a daily basis.

- Thousands of residents will benefit. For hundreds of residents at Waterfall Condominiums and Biltmore Apartments, the Lozano Lane easement would be the easiest way to connect to

the trail. If a crosswalk is needed on Rodrigues, it will help slow down the already too fast traffic on that road.

- It looks like favoritism. Treating this easement differently than all the other easements in Cupertino gives the impression of an improper sweetheart deal for a handful of residents. Why are these 8 home owners being given \$1 Million worth of Cupertino land 20 years after the legal creation of the easement, to the detriment of the rest of the tax paying Cupertino community? Each of these homeowners knew about the existence of the easement when they bought their property.

- One of the city's core priorities is greater connectivity among neighborhoods and residents. Preserving and increasing, NOT decreasing, the entry points to Regnart Trail allows for increased walking and biking along Regnart Trail with neighbors meeting neighbors and forming friendships. Per the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community.

Please vote NO on closing the Lozano Lane access path to the Regnart Creek trail.

Charles Bombelyn
10282 Torre Ave

I see no valid reason to give away public property like this proposal does. If the residents have an objection to seeing people use the access trail they can fence it off with shrubbery or a fence.

Thanks

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Discussion of Lozano Lane Pedestrian Easement
Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 12:48:40 PM

David Stillman
Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249

-----Original Message-----

From: Dino Sakkas <dinosaddr@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 12:47 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Discussion of Lozano Lane Pedestrian Easement

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Commissioners,

I am a 30+ year resident of Cupertino and an avid walker and cyclist. I am writing to urge you recommend the path along Lozano Lane to the Regnart Creek Trail remain accessible to pedestrians.

As a walker, cyclist, and a parent, I try to stay off busy roads whenever possible because it makes for a more enjoyable trip with the added benefit of being safer. Shortcuts like the Lozano Lane easement make it easier to walk during my daily activities by giving more route options that keep me off main roads. Closure of this path will force me onto Blaney and/or Rodrigues - both busy roads.

As a parent, I encourage other families to allow their children to walk or bike to school. Studies show that the most common concern of the parents is safety, specifically cars.

The city is spending millions of dollars to provide safer routes to school and drive to zero accidents in response to these concerns. As you know, many of the efforts include separating the bike lanes when possible or creating dedicated trails like the Regnart Creek Trail. In order to optimize the benefit to the community of this effort, it is critical to provide multiple options for entrance and exits from the trails to minimize the time our children spend on busy roadways prior to getting on safe routes.

As a citizen, I like it when I see my neighbors walking and cycling, it creates a sense of community. I would like to thank everyone in our city government for all the effort and budget put into making our city more pedestrian-friendly, such as creating separated bike lanes, redesigning intersections for pedestrians, and pedestrian trails. It would be a shame to reduce access to this excellent infrastructure by giving away the access / easements agreed upon by the Lozano Lane HOA as a condition for construction of the homes. Not to mention that other home owners might be encouraged to petition for removal of easements citing this precedent.

It is not apparent that sufficient consideration was given to the impacts of the proposal to close this access point. On the benefits side there are 8 HOA residents; on the impacts side there are hundreds of people living in the Biltmore Apartments and surrounding area that would be able to get onto the Regnart Creek Trail sooner. A pedestrian or student is more likely to be hurt if forced to stay on Rodriguez and or Blaney on the way to school or simply enjoying an evening walk. Furthermore, a survey in the Parks & Recreation Master Plan indicated that over 80% of residents wish for more trails and connecting paths in our community. Reducing access to dedicated pedestrian

trails does not seem consistent with the wishes of our community.

Thank you for spending time to consider my perspective on this proposal.

Sincerely,

Dino Sakkas

From: [David Stillman](#)
To: [Kim Lunt](#)
Subject: FW: Access path to the Regnart Creek Trail along Lozano Lane
Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 7:36:17 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)

Hi Kim, another one...



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
[\(408\) 777-3249](tel:(408)777-3249)



From: Brock Carpenter <brockcarpenter@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 8:50 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Access path to the Regnart Creek Trail along Lozano Lane

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Bike/Ped Commission,

On June 15 there is an agenda item to consider closing the access path to the Regnart Creek Trail that is currently open along Lozano Lane. I ask that you vote to keep it open by voting NO.

As a senior in the community I do a lot of walking in the community for safe, level, low impact exercise. Covid-19 has brought out a lot of my contemporaries as other alternatives are much less safe. We really appreciate all places to walk where we can enjoy our surroundings instead of worrying about traffic. I implore you to keep this access path open.

This access path has been used since the Lozano and DePalma condominiums were built almost 20 years ago. Every homeowner in the HOAs nearby signed an agreement when they purchased their homes stating there would be a path in that location and that it was planned to connect to a trail. Elsewhere in Cupertino there are similar easements for paths in use that

run between homes—this isn't even a unique situation. Taking it out now is an unneeded and bad precedent.

The City Council has agreed in its master plans that Cupertino would encourage more connectivity in the city. Residents have overwhelmingly agreed with this, by speaking out in favor of the Regnart Creek Trail for the past six years, and consistently on every survey stating so. Making this change goes against those wishes and the city's stated goals.

This path does have a specific use, too, other than general connectivity. The hundreds of residents at Waterfall Condominiums and Biltmore Apartments can use the Lozano Lane path to get to Eaton Elementary much more safely and easily. or go to our Cupertino library. Closing this path makes the trail less useful to many. If a crosswalk turns out to be needed on Rodrigues, that can be added.

Thank you for considering the concerns of the many people that will use and enjoy this path—once the Regnart Creek Trail opens later this year—by voting NO on March 1.

Sincerely,
Brock Carpenter

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 3:57 PM
To: Kim Lunt
Subject: FW: KEEP ACCESS, DO NOT VACATE THE LOZANO EASEMENT - Agenda Item #4 Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement Vacation -

Another one

David Stillman
Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249

-----Original Message-----

From: Carols Gmail <carolstaneks@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 3:55 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: KEEP ACCESS, DO NOT VACATE THE LOZANO EASEMENT - Agenda Item #4 Regnart Creek Trail/Campo de Lozano Public Pedestrian Walkway Easement Vacation -

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Bike/Ped Chair and Commissioners,

I am writing to you today in opposition to vacating the Campo de Lozano Public pedestrian walkway easement. Cupertino needs to live up to our stated goals to support walkability and access in our City. The public has consistently voiced support for additional trail access opportunities within the City. I have observed this public support for access as a Commissioner on the Cupertino Parks and Recreation Commission since 2015. I am speaking for myself today, but I must note that my position on access has been solidified by what I have heard from Cupertino residents on multiple occasions as an active community participant, Block Leader and Commissioner.

As I'm sure you know, the Regnart Trail has recently received the Project of the Year award in its category by the American Public Works Association Silicon Valley. The City should be looking to enhance access to the Trail, not limit it.

I hope that, as a commission, you will convey to the Council the strong community opposition to vacating this access. Vacating the property would be short sighted, irreversible and contrary to city commitments to maintain and improve the walkability of our City.

Sincerely,
Carol Stanek

Kim Lunt

From: David Stillman
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 4:54 PM
To: Kim Lunt
Subject: FW: Campo De Lozano Pedestrian Walkway issue from people live there

Another one



David Stillman

Transportation Manager
Public Works
DavidS@cupertino.org
(408) 777-3249



From: Qi Zhu <zhuqi@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 4:50 PM
To: City of Cupertino Bike and Ped Commission <Bikepedcommission@cupertino.org>
Subject: Campo De Lozano Pedestrian Walkway issue from people live there

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Commission members,

This is about today's meeting agenda (4) Regnart Creek Trail / Campo De Lozano Pedestrian Walkway.

I live in Lozano Lane for more than a decade.

My main concerns are the public safety and liability for the walkway.

This walkway / easement is Pedestrian only. However I noticed recently there are lots of people riding bicycle on it. This is against the usage rule of the walkway and could create safety issues to the people walk on it, and liability issue. How city will enforce the rule? How city will be responsible for the liability?

There is nowhere mentioning walkway connect to the trail in the original easement agreement.
The easement can be there, i.e. no need vacation. Just don't connect the walkway to the trail as the original agreement.

Thanks,
John