



## MEMORANDUM

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**Subject:** Administrative Record Summary: #23040 Bayview to Bart Project

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### **Project Description**

Create a safe and comfortable walking and biking route connecting the Del Norte BART station to the San Francisco Bay Trail. Construct bike lanes on Potrero Ave and Bayview Ave overpass over I-580, curb ramps, sidewalk repairs and pavement rehabilitation.

### **Project Planning & Legislative History**

On November 1, 2011, the Richmond City Council adopted a new Bicycle Master Plan, establishing a 145-mile blueprint for a comprehensive system of bikeways and support facilities. The South Richmond Transportation Connectivity Plan (SRTCP), finalized in July 2015, provides a comprehensive framework to transform multimodal connectivity between the South Shoreline area and the surrounding neighborhoods. A critical component of this plan is the development of the Bayview Avenue and Potrero Avenue/South 47th Street corridors, which are designated as high-priority routes to overcome the significant barriers posed by I-580 and the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR). These priorities were reaffirmed and advanced in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan (BPAP), adopted in 2023. This project is supported by Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) grant funding, and it is primarily focused on safety improvements such as school crossings, ADA curb ramps, and filling gaps where crosswalks and ramps are missing today. Bayview Avenue and Potrero Avenue/South 47th Street have appeared as priority connections in multiple City planning efforts (including the Bicycle Master Plan, the SRTCP, and the BPAP), reflecting long-standing community and safety needs.

### **Corridor Summaries**

#### **Bayview Avenue**

Bayview Avenue is a vital connector between the South Shoreline (including the Richmond Bay Campus) and neighborhoods east of I-580, such as Richmond Annex and Eastshore.

- **Safety & Accessibility:** The project aims to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety across the I-580 overpass, which currently features narrow sidewalks and lacks dedicated bicycle facilities.
- **Traffic Operations & Congestion:** The project primarily re-stripes existing roadway width (including existing over-wide travel lane sections of approximately 17 feet in some locations) to add a dedicated bikeway without adding new vehicle traffic lanes. By making short trips safer by bike, walking, and transit, it can reduce peak-period vehicle demand and help relieve congestion over time.
- **Connectivity:** It provides a primary link for residents to access the Bayview Branch Public Library and connects the Bay Trail to the El Cerrito Plaza area.
- **Bicycle Facilities:** Installation of a 10-foot barrier-separated two-way bikeway on the southeast side and buffered bike lanes on the north side.
- **Transit Operations at Bus Stops:** The project removes parking directly in front of bus stops so buses can pull to the curb for boarding and alighting, instead of stopping in the travel lane. This improves bus reliability and reduces delay for people driving behind buses.
- **Intersection Improvements:** Proposed "Protected Intersection" design at Bayview Avenue and Carlson Boulevard to increase safety for non-motorized users. Where bike lanes are dashed near intersections, right-turning vehicles can merge in advance and queue without blocking through traffic, which can improve intersection operations.

#### Potrero Avenue / South 47th Street Corridor

This corridor represents the most direct potential route from the Richmond Bay Campus to the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station, though it currently lacks a direct crossing over the I-580/UPRR barrier.

- The primary objective is to bridge the "missing link" between the South Shoreline and the Eastshore/Parkview neighborhoods.
- Addressing the current issue of high-speed traffic encouraged by wide 17-foot travel lanes.
- Fixing narrow, deteriorating sidewalks and a lack of ADA-accessible curb ramps and crosswalks at major intersections like South 47th and Potrero.
- A major focus of this corridor is improving school-area crossings and accessibility by adding or upgrading marked crosswalks, ADA curb ramps, and sidewalk segments where there are currently gaps; especially where curb ramps and marked crossings are missing today on Potrero Avenue.

#### **Data-Driven Prioritization (SRTCP)**

The SRTCP uses a data-driven approach to prioritize these projects based on impact and feasibility.

- **Priority Ranking:** Both the Bayview Avenue (S. 51st/Meade to Carlson) and Marina Bay Parkway/Potrero Ave segments received a composite corridor priority grade of "A".
- **Evaluation Criteria:** Projects were scored based on connectivity to South Richmond, access to regional transit, multimodal safety, and ease of implementation.

- Reducing Double-Parking and Blocking: By clarifying curb uses near key destinations (including bus stops and intersection approaches) and providing a more organized street layout, the project can reduce double-parking and loading activity that blocks travel lanes and contributes to congestion.