

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee City of San José – Department of Transportation 200 E. Santa Clara St., 8th Floor, San José, CA 95113

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Mayor Liccardo & City Councilmembers 200 E. Santa Clara St., 18th Floor, San José, CA 95113

Dear Honorable Mayor Liccardo and Honorable Councilmembers,

I am writing to you on behalf of your Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

First, we thank you for your good judgement during this Covid-19 crisis. We appreciate that public safety is your priority while we shelter in place.

We urge you to fully fund the Better Bikeways 2025 Plan's fiscal year 2020-2021 budget because it is an important public safety and transportation equity program that accomplishes the following:

- This Plan supports and boosts the City's Traffic Calming, Traffic Engineering, Street Smarts, and Walk n' Roll
 initiatives
- This Plan is essential in order for our City to reach its fiscal year 2020-2021 Vision Zero goals
- This Plan boosts our Climate Smart program and will enable our City to realize its original Green Vision
- This Plan furthers the General Plan's Access and Mobility Plan and its Mode Share targets
- This Plan is a subset of your Mobility Plan and bolsters our City's Green Streets Infrastructure Program,
 Complete Streets and Urban Village initiatives, and its annual paving maintenance programs
- This Plan creates a network that will not only enable underserved and served residents to safely bicycle to work, home, shopping, and recreation, but its network aligns with VTA's County Wide Plan, the Caltrans District 4 Plan, the MTC's Regional Bike Plan, and the plans for Diridon Station and the Berryessa BART Station.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call on us.

We thank you for your consideration and attention.

Sincerely,

Brandon Alvarado Chairperson of the City of San José's Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee