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Re: Main Street Improvement Project and Measure X

On October 16, 2018, I presented the City of Salinas' Local Measure X Project Update to the TAMC eXcellent Transportation Oversight Committee. During the presentation, I was asked to justify that the City's Main Street Improvement Project meets the criteria the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, which is funded by Measure X sales tax proceeds.

As you know, the City has leveraged a portion of its Measure X distributions to make the annual debt service payments on the \$40.6-million in Total Road Improvement Program (TRIP) bonds the City received last spring to fund transportation infrastructure improvements. The current budget for the Main Street project is approximately \$12-million, which is largely funded by TRIP funds. The primary scope of work is to make improvements to the Main Street streetscape to:

- Improve safety and increase mobility and access for all pedestrians, including seniors and
  persons with disabilities, by reconstructing sidewalks to be wider; reducing visual barriers;
  improving grades to be ADA compliant; improving lighting; enhancing crosswalks and
  installing accessible pedestrian signals with exclusive pedestrian signal operations and
  countdowns; integrating wayfinding devices and signage; installing bollards and other
  vehicular barriers to protect high pedestrian areas
- Improve the pavement condition index, which is 43 for the 200 and 300 blocks and 61 for the 100 block
- Reduce collision potential through traffic calming features, including narrower lanes and horizontal and vertical deflection roadway alignment
- Encourage safe cycling through the improved traffic circulation, increased visibility, and enhanced bicycle facilities
- Improve vehicular circulation by converting the existing one-way traffic flow to two-way and modernizing signal equipment to efficiently move traffic
- Encourage walking and improve visitor access to downtown businesses to support a healthy and vibrant downtown community
- Improve the treatment and volume reduction of storm water runoff

If you have any questions, please contact City Engineer Jim Sandoval or me at (831) 758-7241.

Sincerely,

David Jacobs, P.E., L.S. Director of Public Works