

## 2. [15-0246](#) Approval of the Mathilda Avenue Plan Line

Alternative 1: Recommend that Council Approve the Mathilda Plan Line, direct staff to update Municipal Code Section 19.06.050 to reflect this plan line and file the plan line map with the County Recorder's Office.

Jennifer Ng, Assistant City Engineer, presented the Mathilda Avenue Plan Line. The grant funded plan aims to identify both the limits of the right of way needed to build the roadway and how bike lanes can fit in the roadway. The goals of the plan include providing safety, comfort, and convenience for all types of users and modes of transport as well as increasing livability and quality of life. Marcelo Cosentino, Technical Consultant, provided technical details.

Commissioners expressed concern regarding lane widths for both vehicles and bicycles. Assistant City Engineer Ng informed Commissioners that the typical sections presented are conceptual alignments and that Council will be approving the east and west right of way limits of Mathilda.

Dave Simons, representative for the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) BPAC, expressed concern regarding the planter widths in relation to the speed limit and stated that the plan should meet the VTA's Pedestrian Technical Guidelines. Mr. Simons also recommended that planter boxes have large trees and engineered fill to ensure that the trees have a long life and that their roots do not uplift the sidewalk.

Vice Chair Jackson expressed concern that the existing policy section of the plan does not include the Street Space Allocation policies. Mr. Jackson recommended looking at Land Use Transportation Element (LUTE) policies LT-5.9 through 5.21 and picking out appropriate policies to be included in the plan. Jackson also voiced his disagreement with the wording of the plan as it states it completes the bicycle network on Mathilda.

Commissioner Cordes suggested extending the northern limit of the plan from Washington Ave to Evelyn Ave for connectivity to the train station.

Vice Chair Jackson moved and Commissioner Okuzumi seconded the motion to accept the staff recommendation with the additional points of clarification that were raised. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes 7 -** Chair Jones  
Vice Chair Jackson  
Commissioner Cordes  
Commissioner Kolber  
Commissioner Okuzumi  
Commissioner Rausch  
Commissioner Welch

**No 0**

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