

## **Council Agenda Report**

From: Warren Frace, Community Development Director
Subject: Montebello Oaks Drive / Skyview Drive Class 2 Bike Lane Striping Options
Date: May 16, 2017

#### Facts

- 1. The City has received a number of inquiries and complaints regarding the recent installation of Class 2 bike lanes on Montebello Oaks Dr. and Skyview Dr.
- 2. The 1988 Union Rd Specific Plan (Attachment 1) and 2009 Bike Plan (Attachment 2) identified Montebello Oaks Dr. and Skyview Dr. as streets for Class 2 bike lanes.
- 3. Montebello Oaks Dr. and Skyview Dr. are 44-ft wide "local collectors" street built to accommodate 2 lanes, class 2 bikeways and on street parking. (Attachment 3 City Engineering Standard A-5)
- 4. Class 2 bike lane striping was not installed at the time of original street construction for unknown reasons.
- 5. Speeding through the residential neighborhood (25 mph speed limit) has been a concern on Montebello Oaks Dr. and Skyview Dr. due to their large paved width.
- 6. Ramboullet Rd. and Oak Hill Rd. were recently striped using the same A-5 standard with Class 2 bike lanes.



Ramboullet Road with Class 2 bike lanes.



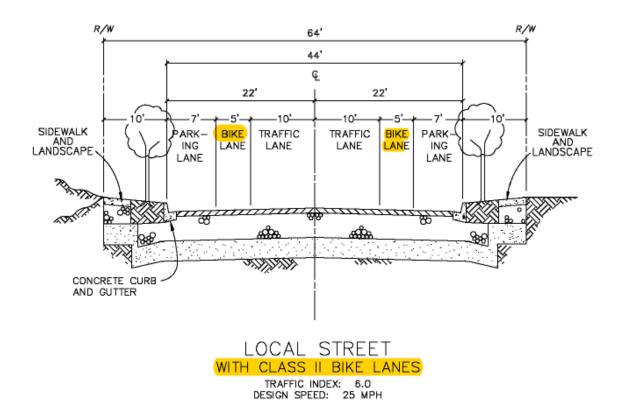
Oak Hill Road with Class 2 bike lanes.

#### Options

- 1. Do nothing;
- 2. Have the Police Department and Public Works Department monitor traffic speeds and operations for the next 30 days and report back to City Council ;
- 3. Install a dashed yellow center line and monitor for effectiveness;
- 4. Refer back to staff for additional analysis and options.

#### **Analysis and Conclusions**

Last week, as part of the repaving of Montebello Oaks Dr. and Skyview Dr., Class 2 bike lane striping was installed consistent with the Union Road / 46 Specific Plan, Bicycle Master Plan and the City Engineering standards. The restriping has reduced the apparent width of the road, which is intended to enhance safety for cyclists with the added benefit of encouraging slowing driving speeds to the 25 mph residential area speed limit.



Since the work was completed, the City has received numerous questions and complaints regarding the bike lane striping and reduced width of the vehicle travel lanes.

#### Fiscal Impact

The cost of a yellow center line stripe is estimated to be \$1,500

#### Recommendation

Staff is recommending options 2 and 3:

Option 2: Have the Police Department and Public Works Department monitor traffic speeds and operation for the next 30 days and, working with residents, report back to City Council.

Options 3: Install a dashed yellow centerline and monitor for effectiveness.

#### Attachments

- 1. Attachment 1 1988 Union Rd Specific Plan
- 2. Attachment 2 2009 Paso Robles Bike Plan
- 3. Attachment 3 City Engineering Standard A-5

## **UNION / 46**

## SPECIFIC PLAN

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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tentative tract is prepared. In all cases the adjacent developers will have to coordinate the through connection of streets to insure that awkward or unusable parcels are not created.

The Development standards for minor residential streets vary. Street sections will include urban, rural or hillside depending upon conditions of each area being developed. The standards are identified in Chapter 5.

#### 3. <u>BICYCLE ROUTES</u>

Since the area is relatively rural and low density in nature, bicycles could play a significant role for grade school children as a means of transportation. The Specific Plan includes a series of bicycle routes on collectors and "connecting residential streets" as designated on Map 3.2. Bicycle lanes are to be constructed on Union Road, North River Road and the short link of Buena Vista Drive from "A" Street to Highway 46. Optional bike paths could be constructed within the open space corridors where terrain permits. These paths should be parallel and separate from the proposed pedestrian trails shown on Map 3.2 (see Section C, Part 5, for discussion of emergency vehicle use of bike paths).

#### 4. <u>PEDESTRIAN AND EOUESTRIAN SYSTEM</u>

Walking trails may be provided in the natural open space areas at the discretion of the developer and City. The natural features of the Specific Plan area lend themselves to a series of trails through the oak woods and steeper areas as well as the drainage swales.

If an equestrian center is provided, a system of equestrian trails can be developed which provides several loops through the wooded and open space areas as well as to the Salinas River channel and the existing rural areas to the south. These optional trails are shown on Map 3.2. Maintenance of any equestrian trail system should be provided by the users of the equestrian center.

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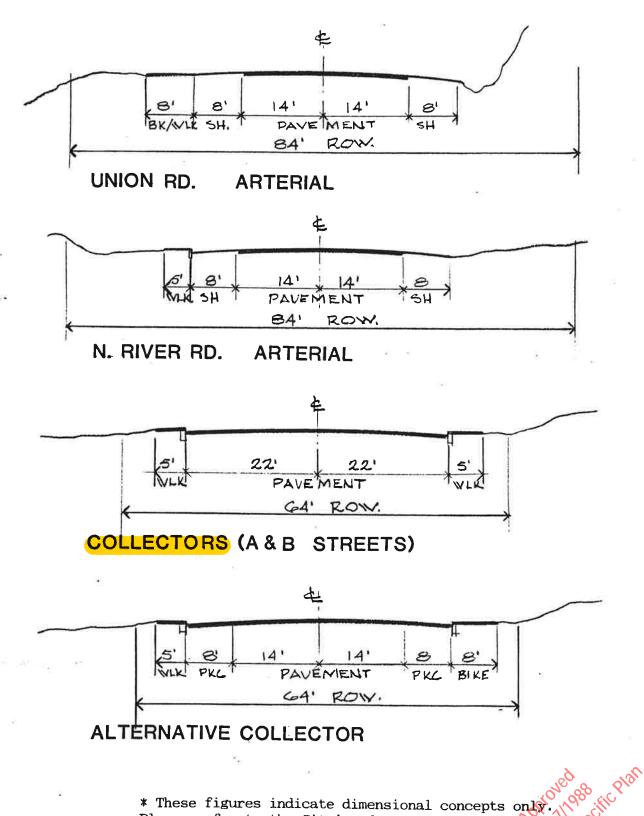
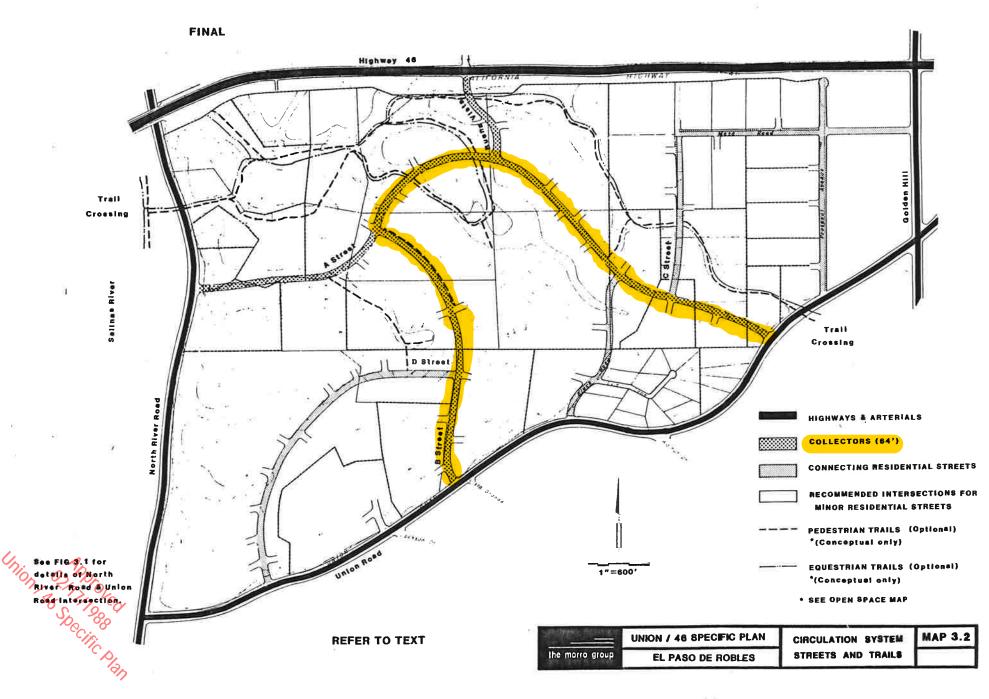


Figure 3.1 Cross-Sections, Arterials & Collectors

\* These figures indicate dimensional concepts only. Please refer to the City's adopted street standards for technical construction requirements.

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