Centerville Complete Streets

VIRTUAL COMMUNITY MEETING #4: PREFERRED DESIGN ALTERNATIVES

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 | 6:30-8:00pm

City Staff Present: Jeanne Suyeishi; Noe Veloso; Connie Wong; Hans Larsen; Eric Hu

PlaceWorks Staff Present: Bruce Brubaker; Janet Chang; Pranjali Deokule

Project Overview:

The Centerville Complete Streets project will improve segments of Fremont Boulevard (Alder to Eggers) Thornton Avenue, and Peralta Boulevard. The recent relinquishment of State Route (SR) 84 allows the City to have local control over this street right-of-way to repave the streets and implement "complete streets" improvements to enhance safety and mobility for all users, including drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, school children, and businesses.

Meeting Summary:

The purpose of this meeting was to provide a summary of community feedback from the online survey on the pilot project, present the project's four-lane preferred design alternatives to the community, and provide an opportunity for Q&A. This fourth virtual community meeting was held virtually over Zoom Webinar with about 50 people, not including project team staff, in attendance.

<u>Welcome and Introductions.</u> Jeanne Suyeishi, the City's project manager, welcomed

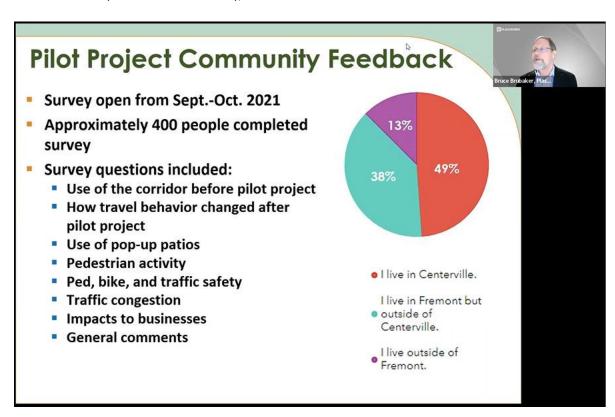
attendees to the virtual meeting and introduced the project team.

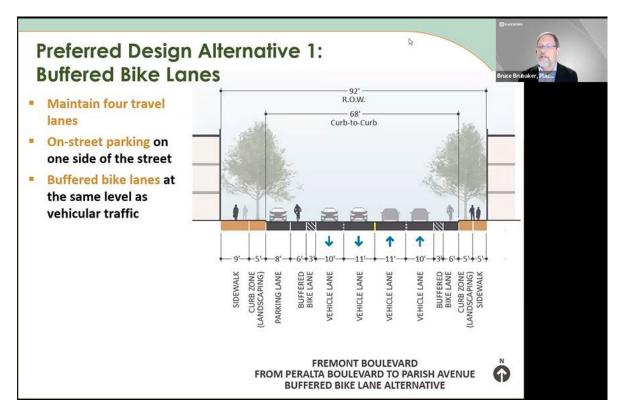
Poll: Icebreaker. The project team launched an icebreaker poll to participants to get a sense of participants' affiliation to the project. Most participants identified themselves as Centerville residents and Fremont residents outside of Centerville. There were also some Centerville business owners/employees and people who live/work outside of Fremont present.

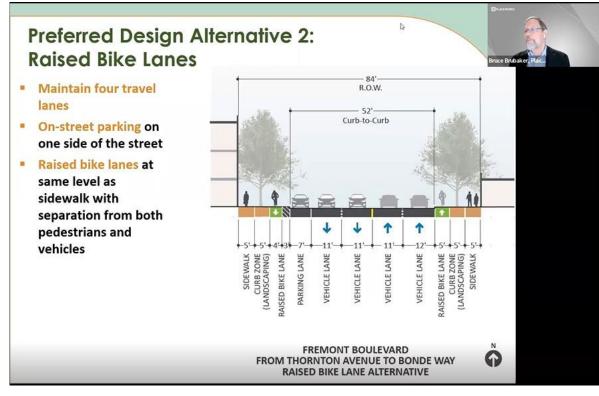
Icebreaker 1. What is your affiliation to the project? (select all that apply) (Multiple Choice) 100% answered Centerville resident 72% Centerville business owner/employee 3% Fremont resident (outside of Centerville) 25% Fremont business owner/employee (outside of Centerville) 0% I live or work outside of Fremont 3%

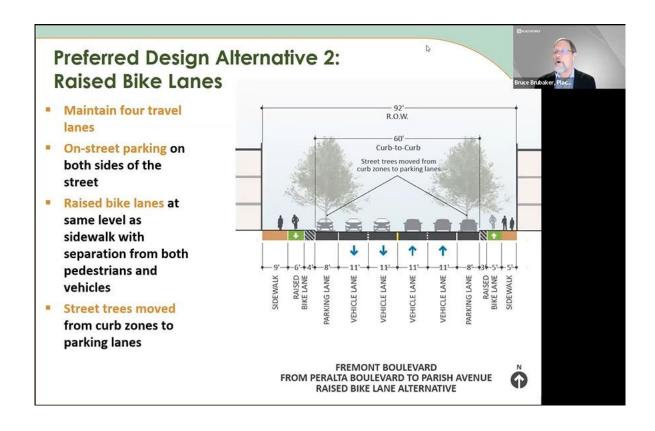
<u>Presentation.</u> Bruce Brubaker from PlaceWorks gave a presentation. During the presentation, meeting participants were able to submit questions and comments to the project team that were later answered during the question and answer portions of the meeting. The presentation included the following:

- Introduction of the project team.
- Background on the project, including Caltrans' relinquishment of State Route 84.
- Explanation of what complete streets are.
- City of Fremont's vision for Centerville and Fremont Boulevard's "Main Street" segment.
- Existing street conditions of the "Main Street" segment of Fremont Boulevard (from Peralta Boulevard to Parish Avenue).
- Summary of past community outreach efforts, including community meetings and online surveys.
- Description of the three initial design alternatives that were reviewed as part of the April 2020 community meeting, which included alternatives with four, three, and two travel lanes.
- Overview of the pilot project that was implemented in June 2021 to temporarily test a lane reduction on Fremont Boulevard (Thornton Avenue to Parish Avenue) from four lanes to three lanes and two quick-build pop-up patios at Artist Walk and De Afghanan restaurant.
- Summary of community feedback received on the pilot project via an online survey that was open from September to October 2021.
- Presentation on two preferred design alternatives that maintain Fremont Boulevard with four traffic lanes (two in each direction), one with buffered bike lanes and one with raised bike lanes.









Questions & Answers. Questions from meeting participants were submitted during the webinar. They included questions about details on the use and maintenance of raised bike lanes, proposed sidewalks, transit improvements, parking improvements, traffic analyses of this project, and potential improvements at the Peralta Boulevard/Fremont Boulevard intersection. Project team staff including from PlaceWorks and the City of Fremont answered questions. The question and answer portion of the meeting was recorded and can be viewed in the recording link on the project website.

<u>Next Steps.</u> The preferred design alternatives will be presented to the City Council at their public hearing on February 8, 2022. The raised bike lane alternative will be City staff's recommended alternative. Construction is anticipated in 2023.

The meeting's full presentation slides and a recording of the meeting can be found online at the project website: http://fremont.gov/CentervilleCompleteStreets