

# **CITRUS HEIGHTS**

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Welcome to the Carriage Drive / Lauppe Lane Safe Schools **Corridor** Plan Virtual Workshop May 12, 2020





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### Welcome to Zoom

- Participants are muted
- Q & A box is open for your questions; we will take questions throughout and follow up with those we don't get to



- Interactive polls throughout the workshop
- This webinar is being recorded and will be posted on the project webpage: www.citrusheights.net/944

### Thanks for being here and participating!



### Meet the panelists



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# **Tonight's Outline**

- Project Background & Workshop Goals
- Project Schedule
- What We've Heard
- Proposed Improvements & Alternatives
- Next Steps
- Q&A



# Zoom Poll 1

# What's your relationship to the project and project area?

#### • Student

- Parent/Guardian
- School Employee
- Neighborhood Resident

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- Citrus Heights
   Community Member
- Other

(Please select all that apply.)



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# Thank you to our partners



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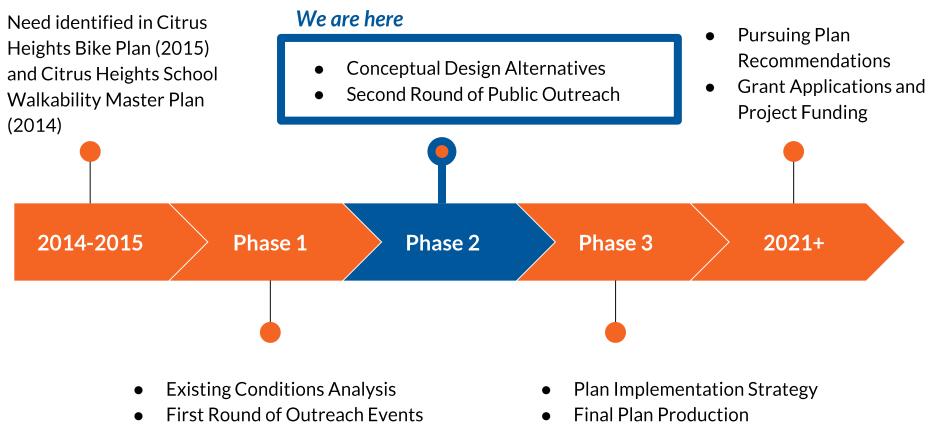


Sylvan Middle School Carriage Drive Elementary

# **Project Goals**

- Safety for parents and students traveling to and from school
- Safety for neighborhood residents
- Comfort for all people, whether they walk, bicycle, scoot, or drive
- More efficient access for school attendees and neighborhood residents







# Zoom Poll 2

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# Have you previously engaged with this project? If so, how?

- Initial online survey
- Community open house at Mesa Verde High School on 9/24/19
- Project presentation during another community meeting I attended
- I talked to the project team at a school event
- Other
- No, this is my first time participating in this project

(Please select all that apply.)

**Key issues** identified in the first round of outreach

1. Safety for People Biking & Walking

- 2. Vehicle Traffic Patterns
- 3. Behavior of People Walking
- 4. Speed

5. Visibility at Lauppe Lane/Lauppe Lane Crosswalk





# Any questions so far?

Please submit in the Q&A box at the bottom of your screen





# Proposed Safety Improvements



# 12 proposed improvements. 2 alternatives.

### Each slide will include:

- Name of proposed improvement
- Photo of an example
- Benefits
- Trade-offs
- Locations where it is proposed
- Image from the technical concept plan document



# **High-Visibility Crosswalks**

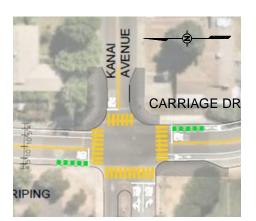


### **Benefits**

- + Increases awareness of crossing location
- + Visible from further distances

### Trade Offs

- Higher maintenance costs than typical crosswalks



### High-visibility crosswalks are proposed at:

- Lauppe Lane mid-block
- Carriage Dr/Pratt Ave
- Carriage Dr/Pimienta Dr
- < Carriage Dr/Kanai Ave C
- Carriage Dr/Footman Way
- Carriage Dr/Kingsmen Ave

- Carriage Dr/Calvin Dr
- Carriage Dr/Midnight Way
- Carriage Drive Elementary School driveway

# **Curb Extensions**



### **Benefits**

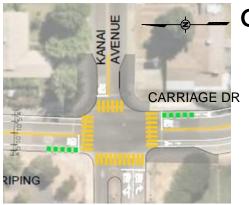
- + Shortens distance to cross the street
- + Increases space for people to wait to cross
- + Increases visibility of people walking near

### corners

+ Slows vehicle turning movements

### Trade Offs

- May result in small amounts of parking loss



### Curb extensions are proposed at:

- Carriage Dr/Pratt Ave
- Carriage Dr/Pimienta Dr
- < Carriage Dr/Kanai Ave
- Carriage Dr/Footman Way
- Carriage Dr/Kingsmen Ave

- Carriage Dr/Calvin Dr
- Carriage Dr/Midnight Way
- Carriage Dr/Auburn Blvd

# **Circular Intersections**



Circular intersections are proposed at:

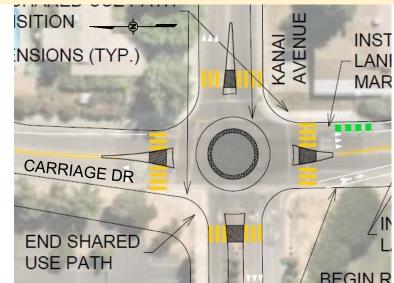
- > Carriage Dr/Kanai Ave
- Carriage Dr/Pratt Ave

### **Benefits**

- + Regulates traffic through intersections
- + Reduces speed through intersections
- + Allows for safe and predictable U-turns
- + Can include vegetation or public art

### Trade Offs

- Can be unfamiliar to some drivers



# **Raised Roadway**



#### **Benefits**

- + Reduces speed through roadway
- + Encourage people driving to yield to people walking

**Trade Offs** 

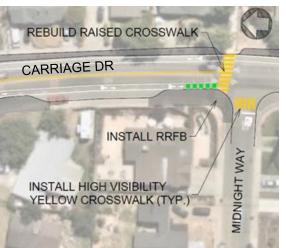
- Expensive to install



A raised roadway is proposed at: < Lauppe Lane Curve

# Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon (RRFB)





An RRFB is proposed at the following location: ^ Carriage Dr/Midnight Way

### **Benefits**

- + Shown to increase driver yielding to people crossing the street
- + Irregular light flashing patterns generates greater responses from drivers
- + Lights only activate when the button is pushed, increasing effectiveness

### Trade Offs

- Flashing lights may be visible from neighboring houses

# Zoom Poll 3 Q&A about the proposals so far

**Overall, which of the following** improvements do you support along the corridor?

- High visibility crosswalks
- Curb extensions
- **Circular intersections**
- **Raised roadway on Lauppe Lane**
- RRFB at the kiddie walk (Carriage and Midnight)
- I need more information about one or more of the proposed improvements



# **Speed Humps**



### **Benefits**

+ Slows vehicle speeds along corridors

### Trade Offs

- May cause vehicles to divert to other
   neighborhood roadways to avoid speed
   humps
- May cause increase to emergency vehicle response times
- Causes an increase in engine noise as vehicles brake and accelerate at the humps

### Speed humps are proposed at:

- Lauppe, south of Oak Grove Estates
- Carriage, north of Footman
- Carriage, north of Glass Slipper
- > Carriage, south of Glass Slipper



# **Green Conflict Markings**



### **Benefits**

- + Raises awareness for all road users
- of potential conflict areas
- + Increases visibility of people bicycling
- + Guides and makes bicycle

movements more predictable

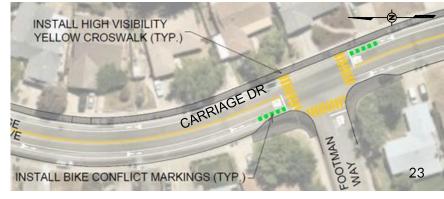
### **Trade Offs**

 May be out of character in a neighborhood setting

### Conflict markings are proposed at:

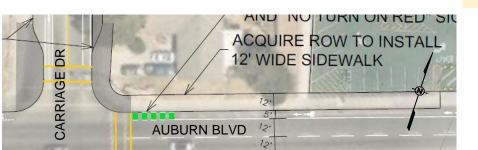
- Antelope/Lauppe
- Carriage/Kanai
- > Carriage/Footman
- Carriage/Kingsmen
- Carriage/Calvin

- Carriage/Midnight
- Carriage/Glass
- Slipper
- Carriage/Auburn
- School driveway



### Wider Sidewalks (on Auburn)





#### **Benefits**

+ Provides a dedicated off-street space for
people walking and young children bicycling
+ Additional width is able to handle schoolrelated surge volumes
+ Allows for easier movement of strollers
and wheeled bags

### **Trade Offs**

- Will require small right-of-way acquisition

### Wider sidewalks are proposed along:

- Carriage Drive (east side, north of Footman to Auburn)
- < Auburn Boulevard (south of Carriage)

# **Vertical Curbs**



### Vertical Curbs are proposed along:

- Carriage Drive
- Lauppe Lane

#### **Benefits**

+ Limits vehicle encroachment on the sidewalk, which increases space for people on the sidewalk and improves visibility of sidewalk users

+ Additional protection of people on sidewalk with creation of a vertical barrier

### **Trade Offs**

- May reduce parking capacity due to limited roadway width

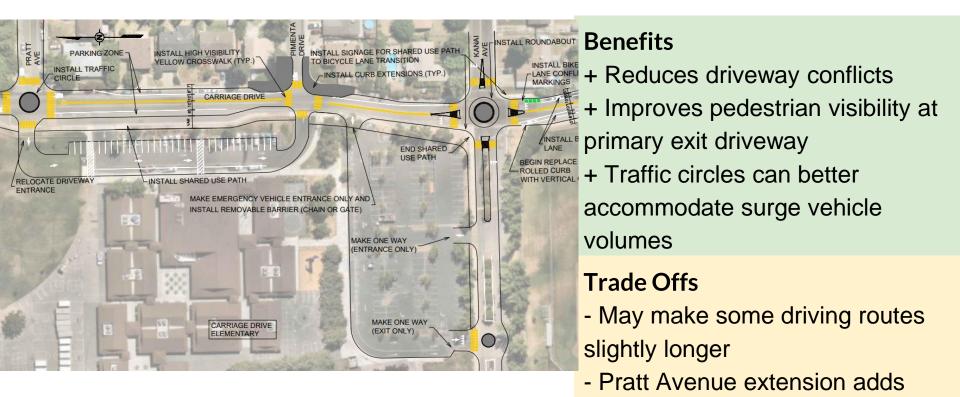
# Zoom Poll 4 + Q&A about the proposals so far

Overall, which of the following improvements do you support along the corridor?

- Speed humps
- Green conflict markings
- Wider sidewalk on Auburn
- Vertical curbs
- I need more information about one or more of the proposed improvements



# School On-Site Circulation (Carriage/Mesa)



expense

# School On-Site Circulation (Sylvan Middle)



#### **Benefits**

- + Creates one-way traffic flow
- + Reduces conflicts within the parking lot
- + Improves entrance/exit flow
- + Reduces driveway conflicts
- + Moves driveway farther from intersection

+ Increases storage/queuing in the parking lot, reducing potential backup onto Auburn Boulevard

Currently, Lauppe Lane has two driving lanes, two parking lanes, and two sidewalks. There are no bicycle facilities.



**Alternative 1** is to add bicycle lanes in each direction. The sidewalk would be narrower in some portions and wider in others. Parking would be removed on the west side north of Oak Grove Estates (pictured) and maintained south of Oak Grove Estates.



Alternative 2 maintains both driving lanes and parking lanes. It adds a shared use path that can be used both by people walking and bicycling to the west side of the street.





### Benefits

+ Provides roadway space for people biking
+ Some widened sidewalk provides
additional space for people walking and

### Trade Offs

- Removes some parking
- Bicycle lane in road may not be used by some students and families



### Benefits

- + Provides a low-stress, off-street facility for people to bicycle and walk
- + Minimizes vehicle conflicts with people
- bicycling and walking

### Trade Offs

- More expensive to construct, and may take more time to implement <sup>32</sup>

Currently, Carriage Drive has two driving lanes, two parking lanes, two sidewalks, and two bicycle lanes. The bicycle lanes and sidewalks are narrower than the recommended width to accommodate students walking and bicycling.



Alternative 1 is to slightly widen the bicycle lanes in each direction. Driving and parking lanes are slightly narrowed. Sidewalks are unchanged.



**Alternative 2** is to slightly widen the bike lanes and significantly widen the sidewalk on the east side. Driving lanes are slightly narrowed. Parking on the east side is removed.





### Benefits

- + Narrowed driving lanes help slow speeds
- + Widened bicycle lanes meet standards
- + Parking retained on both sides

### Trade Offs

- Bicycle lane in road may not be used by some students and families
- Sidewalks remain narrow

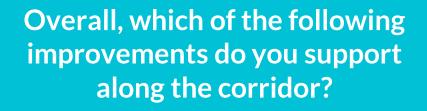


### Benefits

- + Wide sidewalk accommodates large groups of students walking and children on bicycles
  + Minimizes vehicle conflicts with people bicycling and walking
  + Narrowed driving lanes help slow speeds

  Trade Offs
- Parking is removed on one side of the street

# Zoom Poll 5 + Q&A about the proposals so far



- Circulation changes at Carriage Drive/Mesa Verde
- Circulation changes at Sylvan
- Bicycle lanes on Lauppe Lane
- Shared use path on Lauppe Lane
- Wider bicycle lanes on Carriage Drive
- Wider sidewalk on Carriage Drive

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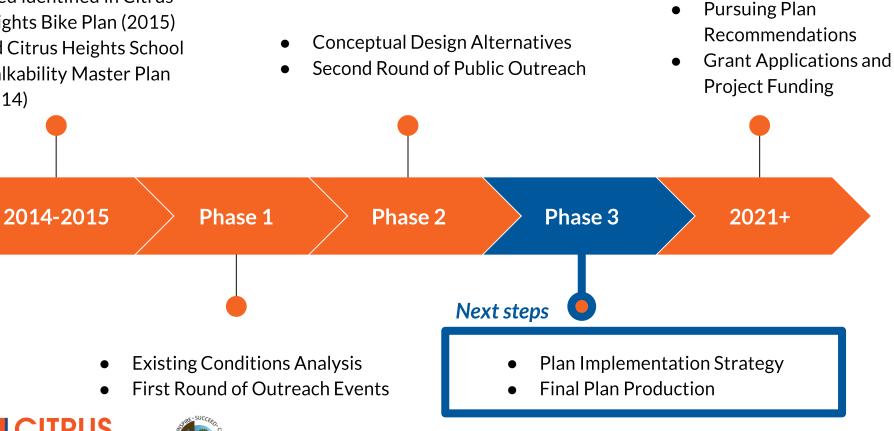
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Need identified in Citrus Heights Bike Plan (2015) and Citrus Heights School Walkability Master Plan (2014)

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Thank you all for coming! Please share the survey with your friends, family, and community.

Now is time for open Q & A.

Additional questions? CLSSCP@citrusheights.net



