**Introduction**

In 2017, the City of Stockton received grant funding to develop a Greater Downtown Active Transportation Plan. As Downtown continues to grow, it is important to provide residents and the community with transportation options other than driving. The **Active Transportation Plan** will identify and recommend bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects for future implementation in the City of Stockton’s Greater Downtown. Upon completion of the Plan, the City of Stockton will be well-positioned to seek funding to implement the recommended bicycle and pedestrian projects. The projects identified in the Active Transportation Plan will contribute to a more livable, bikeable and walkable community.

Outcomes of these projects include:

- A safe, friendly environment for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders
- Ability to move more people in the existing road space
- Enhanced health
- Improved air quality
- Revitalization of Stockton’s core
- Enhanced livability

**Pop-up Workshop Purpose**

Purpose of the pop-up workshops is to engage the community where they already congregate and introduce them to the Greater Downtown Active Transportation Plan. The pop-up workshops provided an opportunity to discuss community members’ experiences walking and biking in downtown Stockton. Additionally, community members had the opportunity to share what types of improvements to bicycle and pedestrian facilities they would like to see.
The pop-up workshops took place at the following dates and locations:

**November 10**
Downtown Stockton Asian Farmers Market | 333 Washington Street, Stockton
Saturday, November 10 | 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**November 11**
Stockton Open Air Mall Flea Market | 3550 North Wilson Way, Stockton
Sunday, November 11 | 10:00 a.m. - Noon

**Pop-Up Workshop Format**
Community members were encouraged to stop by and provide input on three interactive board displays through post-it notes and dots.

The board displays are outlined below.
Board #1: Walking Conditions / Facilities

This board display asked community members to respond to the prompt, “What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve walking conditions?”

Community members were able to place a dot sticker next to the pedestrian facilities they would like to see. These facilities included:

- Traffic signals with more time to cross
- Rectangular rapid flashing beacon crossings
- Pedestrian crossing refuge medians
- Sidewalk furnishings
- Wayfinding signs to key destinations
- Slower traffic speeds
- Curb extensions / bulb-outs
- Wider sidewalks
**Board #2: Biking Conditions / Facilities**

This board display asked community members to respond to the prompt: “What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve biking conditions?”

Community members were able to place a dot sticker next to the bicycle facilities they would like to see. These facilities included:

- Protected Class IV bike lanes
- Sharrows (painted markings)
- Buffered bike lanes
- Slower traffic speeds
- Single-striped bike lanes
- Secure bike parking
- Bike-friendly neighborhood streets
- Route / wayfinding signs
Board #3: Experience Walking and Biking Downtown

This board display asked community members to respond to the prompt, “Where is it difficult or uncomfortable to walk and bike?”

Community members were able to place a dot sticker depicting either a bicycle or a pedestrian at locations in the Greater Downtown project area where they find it is difficult and / or uncomfortable to walk or bike. Community members were also able to respond to the follow up prompt, “Why is it difficult to bike / walk there?” by providing their input on a post-it note.

*Sticker dots with icons:*

- Bike
- Walk
Compilation of Feedback from the Downtown Stockton Asian Farmers’ Market Pop-Up Workshop

28 people attended the Downtown Stockton Asian Farmers’ Market Pop-Up Workshop on Saturday, November 10. Community members submitted feedback by writing on post-it notes and placing dots on the interactive boards. Below is a compilation of their feedback.

1. What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve walking conditions?

![Bar chart showing the feedback results]

Additional comments
- The crossing at Plymouth Road and Benjamin Holt Drive is awful.
- University of the Pacific has the rectangular rapid flashing beacon crossings and they work well.
- We need more street lighting.
- We need more street name signs. Some are missing in downtown.
- There needs to be trash cans all over, preferably on every block.
- Traffic speeds need to be enforced.
- Wider sidewalks make downtown more inviting.
2. What types of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve biking conditions?

- Sharrows (painted markings)
- Bike-friendly neighborhood streets
- Route / wayfinding signs
- Slower traffic speeds
- Protected Class IV bike lanes
- Buffered bike lanes
- Single-striped bike lanes
- Secure bike parking

Additional comments
- I don’t think Stockton can afford the protected bikeways. I’d rather see regular bike lanes everywhere rather than one protected lane.
- When you take away parking for protected bike lanes, you take away resident parking.
- Better street lighting at night. Traffic speeds need to slow down by Weberstown and Sherwood Mall.
- We should have police bikes to monitor the streets while walking to work on the weekend.
- Electric scooters like in the Bay Area.
- Reflective clothing on bikers would be helpful.
- Encourage businesses to put in bike parking.
- There aren’t a lot of adults biking in downtown.
3. Where is it difficult or uncomfortable to bike or walk?

Walking Difficulties
- Walking at the intersection of East Main Street and South Hunter Street: Trees create dark spaces, they could be trimmed to let in more light. I am thrilled to hear that the City is improving this area for bikes.
- Walking at the intersection of El Dorado Street / Center Street between Acacia Street and Harding Way: There's no stop signs or crosswalks on these streets and the cars drive too fast. This option is simpler and clearly shows where the bike lanes are.
- Walking at the intersection of El Dorado Street and East Market Street: The sidewalk by the police station is bumpy and hard to walk on. I like going the same direction as cars.
- Walking at the intersection of East Washington Street and North California Street: It is difficult to walk here at night because of the uneven sidewalks.
- Walking at the intersection of East First Street and East Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard: There are narrow under crossings at Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and it is not ADA accessible.
- The Southeastern portion of downtown has a lot of stray dogs and sometimes they chase you.

Biking Difficulties
- Biking at the intersection of West Harding Way and North California Street: From Harding Way to CSU campus (along California Street), it is very bumpy and lots of potholes.
- Biking at the intersection of North Lincoln Street and West Park Street and West Oak Street: There needs to be bike lanes on Park Street and Oak Street. They are wide enough one-way for bike lanes and both roads are bumpy.
- Biking at the intersection of East Fremont Street and El Dorado Street: My family rides on the sidewalk on Fremont Street because there is no bike lane.
- Biking at the intersection of El Dorado Street and Center Street: El Dorado Street and Center Street are main arterials to go north and south. They could use bike lanes.
Biking at the intersection of West Harding Way and Pacific Avenue: Pacific Avenue has no bike lanes; it's awful.

Biking at the intersection of Harding Way and Stanislaus Way: There was a fatal bike accident here.

Biking at the intersection of East Vine Street and North California Street: California Street has a bike lane, but it's faded and incomplete.

Biking at the intersection of West Magnolia Street and North Perishing Street: There is not enough lighting at Pershing Avenue.

There is nowhere to park my bike anywhere. I have to take my bike inside.

Compilation of Feedback from the Stockton Open Air Mall Flea Market Pop-Up Workshop
19 people attended the Stockton Open Air Mall Flea Market Pop-Up Workshop on Sunday, November 11. Community members submitted feedback by writing on post-it notes and placing dots on the interactive boards. Below is a compilation of their feedback.

1. What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve walking conditions?

- Wider sidewalks
- Traffic signals with more time to cross
- Wayfinding signs to key destinations
- Curb extensions / bulb-outs
- Slower traffic speeds
- Rectangular rapid flashing beacon crossings
- Pedestrian crossing refuge medians
- Sidewalk furnishings
Additional comments

- The traffic signals with more time to cross seems safer.
- If traffic signals had more time to cross, it would be good for handicapped people.
- Could the rectangular rapid flashing beacon crossings flash for a shorter time?

2. What types of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve biking conditions?
3. Where is it difficult or uncomfortable to walk or bike?

Walking difficulties

- Walking difficulties at the intersection of East Hazelton Avenue and Pilgrim Street: Hazelton Avenue is very unsafe, especially for the kids going to school nearby.
- Walking difficulties at the intersection of South San Joaquin and Hazelton Avenue: It is difficult to walk by the food bank and Amtrak.
- Weber Street is not safe for pedestrians.
- I have trouble walking at the intersection of East Church Street and South Center Street.
- I have trouble walking at the intersection of Sonora Street and Hunter Street.
- I have trouble walking at the intersection of North California Street and East Washington Street.

Biking difficulties

- There are a lot of distracted drivers.

Comment Card Feedback

Below are responses from comments cards received at the pop-up workshops.

- We need accountability of where tax payer money is going. Would it be for this project? Caltrans workers need to be held responsible for the hours they work, since sometimes they are just standing in the project area not doing anything. The projects in Stockton and elsewhere need to be funded correctly.
- You need to find a place for the homeless people in downtown. Create a space for them to go, maybe a warehouse in downtown, but you will find them all under the overpass.
- No one wants to go downtown, especially after 5:00 p.m. because it is not a welcoming environment. Downtown Stockton needs more trees and the sidewalks and streets need to be more accessible for handicapped people.
Notification

Below are the community leaders, community-based organizations, neighborhood associations, and local agencies who promoted the community pop-up workshop information on their media platforms or through e-newsletters.

- Little Manila Foundation
- Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Stockton Alliance
- St. Mary’s Dining Room
- Stockton Ports
- Dibs
- San Joaquin Council of Governments
- San Joaquin Bike Coalition
- Community Partnership for Families
- ACE Rail
- San Joaquin County Public Health Services

Appendix

- Board Displays
- Comment Card
- Fliers
What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve walking conditions?

Place a dot by the facilities you would like to see. Let us know your thoughts on a post-it note!

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What type of facilities would you like to see more of in Downtown Stockton to improve biking conditions?

Place a dot by the facilities you would like to see. Let us know your thoughts on a post-it note!
Where is it difficult or uncomfortable to bike or walk?

Place a sticker dot on the Greater Downtown area map to where it is difficult or uncomfortable to bike or walk.

Why is it difficult to bike / walk there?

Write your thoughts on a post-it note!
Greater Downtown Active Transportation Plan

Where is it difficult or uncomfortable to walk or bike downtown?

This comment is about (circle one):
- Walking
- Biking

Location:

Why is it difficult or uncomfortable to walk or bike?

Please share any additional thoughts, comments or questions you have about the Greater Downtown Active Transportation Plan.

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

You may submit your comments to staff today or directly to tcoover@aimconsultingco.com
Let’s talk about walking and biking in Downtown Stockton!

Join Us at a Pop-up Workshop!

You have two to pick from...

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Share your thoughts on how to improve the ability to walk and ride your bike in Downtown Stockton.

The City of Stockton is developing a Greater Downtown Active Transportation Plan, which will support the walkability and bikeability of downtown.

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