



STAFF REPORT

AGENDA NO:

MEETING DATE: July 2, 2026

To: Traffic Safety and Parking Commission

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From: Michael Tsai, Transportation Engineer

Subject: Burlingame Safety Action Plan (Vision Zero)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the Traffic Safety and Parking Commission (TSPC) review the Draft Burlingame Safety Action Plan and make a motion of support for the plan.

BACKGROUND

The City Council has identified the development of a Vision Zero Goal/Policy and a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) as a top-tier priority among its citywide strategic initiatives. Vision Zero represents a bold, data-driven commitment to eliminating all traffic-related fatalities and severe injuries, while simultaneously enhancing safe, equitable, mobility for all.

This forward-thinking strategy integrates the principles of a Roadway Safety Plan and adopts a holistic approach to transportation safety. It addresses the needs of all roadway users—including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders—through proactive planning, infrastructure improvements, policy development, and community engagement.

By embracing Vision Zero, the City affirms its dedication to creating a safer, more livable, and more inclusive transportation network, where no loss of life on Burlingame's streets is considered acceptable.

The Burlingame Safety Action Plan was developed using a comprehensive, data-informed approach that included:

- In-depth analysis of historical crash data;
- Compilation of evidence-based safety strategies;
- Identification and prioritization of high-impact projects; and
- Recommendations for actionable safety initiatives.

A cornerstone of the Burlingame Safety Action Plan was its robust public outreach and stakeholder engagement process. This inclusive effort ensured that the voices of community members and stakeholders were incorporated throughout plan development.

Key participants involved in the process included:

- City Council Subcommittee, represented by Councilmember Stevenson and Vice Mayor Pappajohn;
- Community Advisory Committee (CAC) representing various stakeholders including community members, residents, schools, and business leaders;
- Vision Zero Task Force, composed of representatives from various City departments; and
- The broader Burlingame community.

This collaborative framework was essential to building a shared vision for safer streets and fostering a culture of traffic safety throughout Burlingame. The City worked in partnership with Fehr & Peers, a transportation planning and engineering firm, to develop the Burlingame Safety Action Plan.

DISCUSSION

The Burlingame Safety Action Plan represents the culmination of the City's Vision Zero planning effort and serves as the City's Vision Zero Action Plan, Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP), and Local Road Safety Plan. The plan establishes a goal of eliminating traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries by 2040 and provides a framework for achieving that goal through the Safe System Approach. The plan includes an evaluation of existing safety conditions, community engagement findings, identification of the High Injury Network and Safety Emphasis Areas, prioritized safety projects, and implementation strategies focused on safe speeds, safe roads, safe road users, safe vehicles, and post-crash care. In addition to infrastructure improvements, the plan includes strategies related to public education, targeted enforcement, speed management, e-micromobility safety, Safe Routes to School, and ongoing performance tracking to support long-term safety improvements.

The Burlingame Safety Action Plan is supported by a comprehensive Appendix that provides the technical analysis and reference materials used during the development of the plan. The Appendix includes detailed documentation of community outreach activities, collision and safety analyses, a toolbox of potential engineering and non-engineering countermeasures, speed management evaluations, and an e-micromobility primer. Together, the plan and appendix provide a roadmap for future safety improvements while supporting future grant applications, project development, and implementation efforts.

Following review by the Traffic, Safety and Parking Commission, the Burlingame Safety Action Plan will be presented to the City Council for consideration and adoption.

Exhibits:

- Draft Burlingame Safety Action Plan
- Appendices