



Preferred Alternatives for El Camino Real

July 8, 2026 City Council Meeting

Tonight

We are asking for:

1. Council's direction on the two alternatives to move forward to the Caltrans project development process.
2. Council's support to work with SamTrans and Caltrans through the Caltrans process to plan, design, and implement Complete Streets improvements on El Camino Real.



Background



Grand Boulevard Initiative



Shape SSF General Plan Vision

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El Camino Real is a dynamic and **re-envisioned boulevard** that is a **safe and healthy place** for transit riders, pedestrians, and cyclists, with a **diverse mix** of commercial and residential, and open space uses.

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Community Engagement



Alternatives

Defining a preferred and secondary alternative for the Caltrans process



Staff Recommendation



Alternative 2: Pedestrian & Bus Focus as the Preferred Option



Alternative 1: Pedestrian Focus as the Secondary Option

Staff Recommendation

Alternative 2: Pedestrian & Bus Focus as the Preferred Option



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Alternative 1: Pedestrian Focus as the Secondary Option



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Alternative 3: Pedestrian & Bicycle Focus – not recommended



On-Street Parking



Next Steps



Source: SamTrans



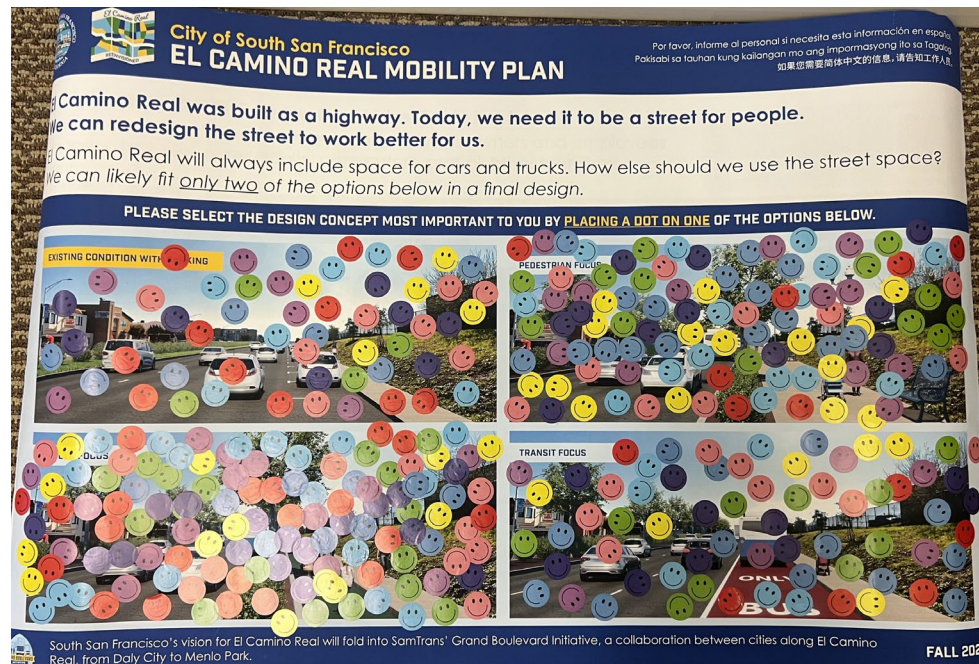
Estimated Costs

- Caltrans Project Development Process costs: No local funding is requested
- Construction costs for South San Francisco section:
 - Very rough estimate for either Alternative 1 or 2: \$175 - \$225 million
 - Specific estimate to be determined during the Caltrans Project Development Process
- Rough estimate for entire project from Daly City to Menlo Park (22 miles): up to \$1 billion



Funding Opportunities

- SMCTA's Measure A and W programs could fund up to 50% of the total GBI project costs (\$500 million).
- Federal, State, and regional grants and local traffic impact fee funds could address the funding gap.



Conclusion

Staff recommends:

- Advancing Alternative 2: Pedestrian & Bus Focus as the Preferred Alternative and Alternative 1: Pedestrian Focus as the Secondary Alternative.
- Working with SamTrans and Caltrans through Caltrans' Project Development Process to plan, design, and implement Complete Street improvements on El Camino Real in South San Francisco.



Thank You



El Camino Real Mobility Plan