

Information Item

Date: September 10, 2019

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore and Members of the City Council

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Subject:

Pedestrian Intersection Improvements.

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: Expand Bike/Sidewalk/Greenway Network

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: Yes



City Council approved \$2,000,000 to fund safety improvements to roadway infrastructure to combat pedestrian crashes occurring at intersections. Staff was asked to prepare a report on traffic crashes involving pedestrians for the February and April Public Works Committee meetings to help identify patterns in crash locations and circumstances. Based on the conclusions from that crash analysis, staff was then asked to prepare a list of priority pedestrian crossing improvement projects. Staff used the following geographic data to prepare a list of project recommendations that could provide the greatest impact to pedestrian safety.

- Signalized intersections lacking pedestrian accommodations
- WSTA transit routes
- Activity Centers as defined in *The Legacy 2030 Update* plan
- Areas of elevated pedestrian crash frequency and severity

The results from that analysis were combined with a list of vetted project proposals from various plans, studies and public requests. The resulting list includes 89 intersection improvement projects that would upgrade the pedestrian crossing infrastructure, which could include pedestrian signalization, crosswalks, refuge islands, signage, transit stop amenities and other features as needed.

Attached is an update on the status of priority projects identified on the list.