From: Angela Kelly Sent: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 10:02 AM To: Distrib- City Clerk <city.clerk@cityofsanrafael.org> Subject: Las Gallinas Repaying Project Request

Hello,

This year's PMP schedule includes the repaving of Las Gallinas, a Class 2 bike route within our city's bike network. Currently, this street features a bike lane along its entire length, but the lane is only approximately 5' wide – the minimum width for a Class 2 path. Adjacent to this bike lane is a generously wide travel lane for motor vehicles, spanning around 16'. By reducing this vehicle travel lane by a few feet, we can effectively lower motor vehicle speeds and create a 2-3' painted buffer that would provide a safe distance for bicyclists, protecting them from passing cars and the risk of opening car doors. This improvement can be achieved solely through the restriping process.

In light of this, we respectfully request two actions regarding the repaving program going forward: Mandatory Inclusion of Bike Plan Elements: We urge the city to require that any bike plan elements which can be implemented within the existing curb lines, with low or no additional cost, be integrated during the repaving process.

Public Input through BPAC: We also propose presenting the yearly repaving projects before the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). This step will provide the public with an avenue to voice their opinions on roadway improvements and identify potential enhancements that can be incorporated without extra expenses during restriping.

By implementing these measures, we can transform our repaving efforts into a holistic approach that not only maintains our roadways but also creates safer and more accessible streets for all residents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to seeing our city continue to grow and adapt to the changing needs of its residents.

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