



REPORT TO PLANNING COMMISSION

To: Planning Commission

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Subject: Active LE Plan

Recommendation

It is Recommended that the Planning Commission consider the Active LE Existing Conditions Analysis and provide feedback for consideration in moving forward with the drafting of the Active LE Plan.

Background

The City of Lake Elsinore is one of the fastest growing California cities with 2% annual growth. While the City's Healthy LE initiative offers programs to promote a healthy lifestyle, it has limited pedestrian and bicycle amenities to allow this healthy lifestyle to be practiced. The City recognizes the need for a comprehensive Active Transportation Plan / Regional Commuter Based Access Plan (ATP). As a result, the City has been working with our consultant Chen Ryan Associates to conduct an Existing Conditions Analysis, do public outreach, prepare guidelines for moving forward and develop the Active LE Plan (our ATP).

Discussion

The Active LE Plan will include the planning of a complete network of non-motorized facilities that connect existing and future activity centers, recreation facilities, transit stations, residential neighborhoods, employment centers, as well as civic and retail hubs. The Active LE Plan will prioritize bikeway and pedestrian improvements based on criteria such as: regional and local connectivity, safe routes to school, ten-minute neighborhoods, recreation amenities, and recommendations for smart infill growth with accompanying active transportation improvements. By developing and approving this Active LE Plan, the City will substantially increase opportunities for additional grant funding for implementation of related projects.

We have completed the Existing Conditions Analysis (Exhibit A) and are seeking your comments regarding the Existing Conditions Analysis and general comments for consideration moving forward. We look forward to your continued participation in the outreach activities and review of the draft Active LE Plan upon its completion. The final Active LE Plan is anticipated to be completed ahead of schedule and ready for review in late Fall 2019.

Exhibits

Active LE Plan – Exhibit A Existing Conditions Analysis