Alternative A: Prioritizing a Walkable City

This alternative aims to create walkable communities throughout San Mateo by prioritizing pedestrian corridors, pedestrian improvements to challenging intersections, and implementing traffic calming and safety improvements near highway onramps. This alternative envisions a two-block pedestrian-only street downtown. All the alternatives assume pedestrian and bicycle improvements consistent with existing City planning documents.
This alternative aims to increase and improve transit access to and from major connections in San Mateo by adding transit connections from Study Areas 3, 6, and 10 to the Hillsdale Caltrain station, prioritizing dedicated HOV and bus lanes, and adding BRT improvements to El Camino Real. All the alternatives assume pedestrian and bicycle improvements consistent with existing City planning documents.
Alternative C: Supporting Walking, Regional Connections and Emerging Mobility Solutions

This alternative combines the local and regional transportation improvements of Alternatives A and B, while using inventive urban design downtown, inspired by Barcelona’s “superblocks” that allow vehicle access, while diverting cut-through vehicles to create a pedestrian-focused, car-light space downtown. In addition, this alternative would explore an automated micromobility circulator (such as an AV shuttle) within City limits. All the alternatives assume pedestrian and bicycle improvements consistent with existing City planning documents.