

CITY OF MERCED
Development Services

TO: Bicycle Advisory Commission
FROM: Michael Hren, Principal Planner
DATE: April 23, 2019
SUBJECT: Active Transportation and Safe Routes to School Plan Draft

BACKGROUND

For the past few years the City of Merced has been working alongside Alta Planning and Design to create and Active Transportation and Safe Routes to School Plan (ATP). City staff have prepared a first draft of the ATP for the review of the Commission.

DISCUSSION

The ATP draft in its current form is largely content-driven. The form of the document will be updated in the coming month, including items such as a table of contents for all graphics and tables, definitions, pull quotes, and other aesthetic improvements. One area of content that is planned to be added is a recommendation that the City of Merced further study motorized scooters and their potential impact and regulation.

The Commission should provide any comments on the content of the draft, and if the Commission feels it appropriate, recommend the draft, with corrections, to the City Council for approval. If the Commission feels it necessary to review the modified draft prior to recommendation, it should schedule a special meeting in the month of May at which to do so. The City is also planning to hold a meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens' Focus Group in the month of May to discuss the draft.

ACTION

The Commission should recommend the draft ATP to the City Council for approval, or schedule a special meeting to review a future draft, if necessary.