

**CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT**



**CITY OF MILLBRAE
621 Magnolia Avenue
Millbrae, CA 94030**

SUBJECT: Information Report on the Pilot Green Infrastructure Project Near Taylor Middle School ATTACHMENTS: None	Report No. 6296
	For Agenda of: June 11, 2019
	Department: Public Works
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Approved: [Signature]	
Budget Action Yes: ___ No: <u>X</u> Finance Review:	

REPORT TYPE: ACTION ___ INFORMATIONAL <u>X</u>
ITEM TYPE: CONSENT ___ PUBLIC HEARING ___ EXISTING BUSINESS <u>X</u> NEW BUSINESS ___

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council receive and review the report on the Pilot Green Infrastructure and Safe Route to School Project near Taylor Middle School.

BACKGROUND:

On March 26, 2019, City Council adopted Resolution No. 19-23 awarding a construction contract to Interstate Paving and Grading for the Pilot Green Infrastructure and Safe Route to School project.

The project will install three (3) stormwater planter islands/curb extensions at the intersection of Taylor Boulevard, Ashton Avenue, and Almenar Street. The project will also re-align the intersection to increase visibility in order to provide a safer intersection for both motorists and pedestrians.

Curb extensions promote safety for pedestrians by reducing crossing distance, reducing vehicle speeds, and increasing comfort for pedestrians. Adding vegetation and trees to curb extensions will treat stormwater runoff from the surrounding area through a specialized system of vegetation, biotreatment soil, and a gravel storage layer, before the runoff enters the City storm drain system and local waterbodies.

The project received support letters from Taylor Middle School, Millbrae School District, and Millbrae Education Foundation. Once completed, this project helps the City towards achieving the required pollutant load reduction milestones determined through a San Mateo Countywide reasonable assurance analysis.

The project is partially funded by the C/CAG Safe Routes to School and Green Infrastructure grant. On February 9, 2018, the City executed a funding agreement to receive \$212,000 from C/CAG. As part of the grant requirement, the project location must be identified in a City/County Walk Audit of the San Mateo County Safe Routes to School Program.

Recently, staff received a complaint from the resident of 811 Taylor Boulevard voicing their concern about losing parking spaces and negative traffic impact caused by curb extensions. Staff met with the concerned resident and explained the project's scope and the long-term benefit to the neighborhood.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Loss of C/CAG grant if the project does not move forward.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Receive and review this informational report on the Pilot Green Infrastructure and Safe Route to School Project.

SITE PLAN:

