



City of St. Helena
Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee Regular
Meeting
Wednesday, June 3, 2026 @ 5:00 PM
City Hall Main Conference Room
1088 College Avenue, St. Helena CA

PLEASE NOTE: Any person who wishes to speak regarding an item on the agenda or make a comment under the "Oral Communication" portion of the agenda may do so, but please observe the time limit of four minutes.

Members of the public and other parties are welcome to email their comments to the Staff Liaison Rebecca White at rwhite@cityofstheleena.gov. All public comments must be received three hours prior to the meeting. Public comments received after the deadline will be attached to the item the next business day or soon thereafter. Public comments will not be read out loud but will be publicly available and attached to the online agenda.

1. ROLL CALL

Chair: Jeff Farmer Members: Shannon Nolan, Richard Seiferheld, and Glenn Smith
Alternate Members: Tony Rabin and Emma Leggat

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. PUBLIC FORUM

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4. REPORTS BY STAFF/COMMITTEE

Reports by staff and/or committee on items of general interest. Brief questions for clarification may be posed and answered, and Committee may request that items be placed on a future agenda. Except under certain circumstances, the Brown Act prohibits any other discussion or action by the Active Transportation & Sustainability Committee.

4.1. ATSC Member Terms Expiring June 30, 2026. Applications to serve on ATSC can be submitted online: [Boards & Commissions](#)

5. CONSENT ITEMS

5.1. Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes of May 06, 2026.

6. SCHEDULED ITEMS

6.1. Discussion of Potential Bike Path to Avoid Valley View Traffic

Prepared By: Jeff Farmer, Chair

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7.1. Review Open Trails/Open Spaces Programs/Engagement with Vine Trail: TBD

7.2. Revisit Pedestrian Safety Improvements: TBD

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee meeting is scheduled for July 1, 2026.

This agenda was posted at City Hall, 1088 College Avenue, St. Helena on May 27, 2026.

Rebecca White, Administrative Assistant

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MINUTES
City of St. Helena
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Farmer called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Jeff Farmer, Member Shannon Nolan, Member Richard Seiferheld, Member Glenn Smith (departed 6:00p.m.), Member Tony Rabin

Absent: Alternate Member Emma Leggat

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Public comment was opened, and no comments were received. Public comment was closed.

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Rebecca White announced the Vice Chair resigned and there is a vacancy on the committee.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

5.1. Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes of April 01, 2026.

Member Rabin made a motion to approve the April 1, 2026, meeting minutes.
Member Nolan seconded the motion.
All voted in favor.

6. SCHEDULED ITEMS

6.1. Discussion on the Concept of Advisory Lanes for Bicycle and Pedestrian Use

Prepared By: Mario Traverso, Project Manager

Project Manager Mario Traverso introduced the idea of Advisory Lanes. The committee discussed their feasibility and recommended the concept be studied further.

6.2. Speed Hump Implementation Strategy Discussion

Prepared By: Mario Traverso, Project Manager

Project Manager Mario Traverso spoke to the committee about an implementation plan for future speed humps that are being requested by community members. The committee discussed their efficacy and issues with the current temporary design.

Public comment was opened and comment was received by Pat Kenealy.
Public comment was closed.

6.3. Follow-Up Discussion of PFAS: Testing & Prevention

Prepared By: Shannon Nolan, Committee Member

ATSC Member Shannon Nolan gave a follow-up presentation on testing of PFAS in wastewater and the committee discussed possible implementation as a precaution.

6.4. Follow -Up Discussion: Cost of Testing PFAS in Wastewater

Prepared By: Eric Janzen, Asst. PW Director

This item was heard out of order ahead of item 6.3. Eric Janzen presented to the committee the costs associated with different PFAS tests and the feasibility to implement these tests at the wastewater plant.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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7.2. Revisit Pedestrian Safety Improvements: TBD

7.3. Discussion of Potential Bike Path to Avoid Valley View Traffic: June 2026

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall, 1088 College Avenue, St. Helena.

Chair Farmer adjourned the meeting at 6:27p.m.

APPROVED:

Jeff Farmer, Chair

ATTEST:

Rebecca White, Staff Liaison

Introduction

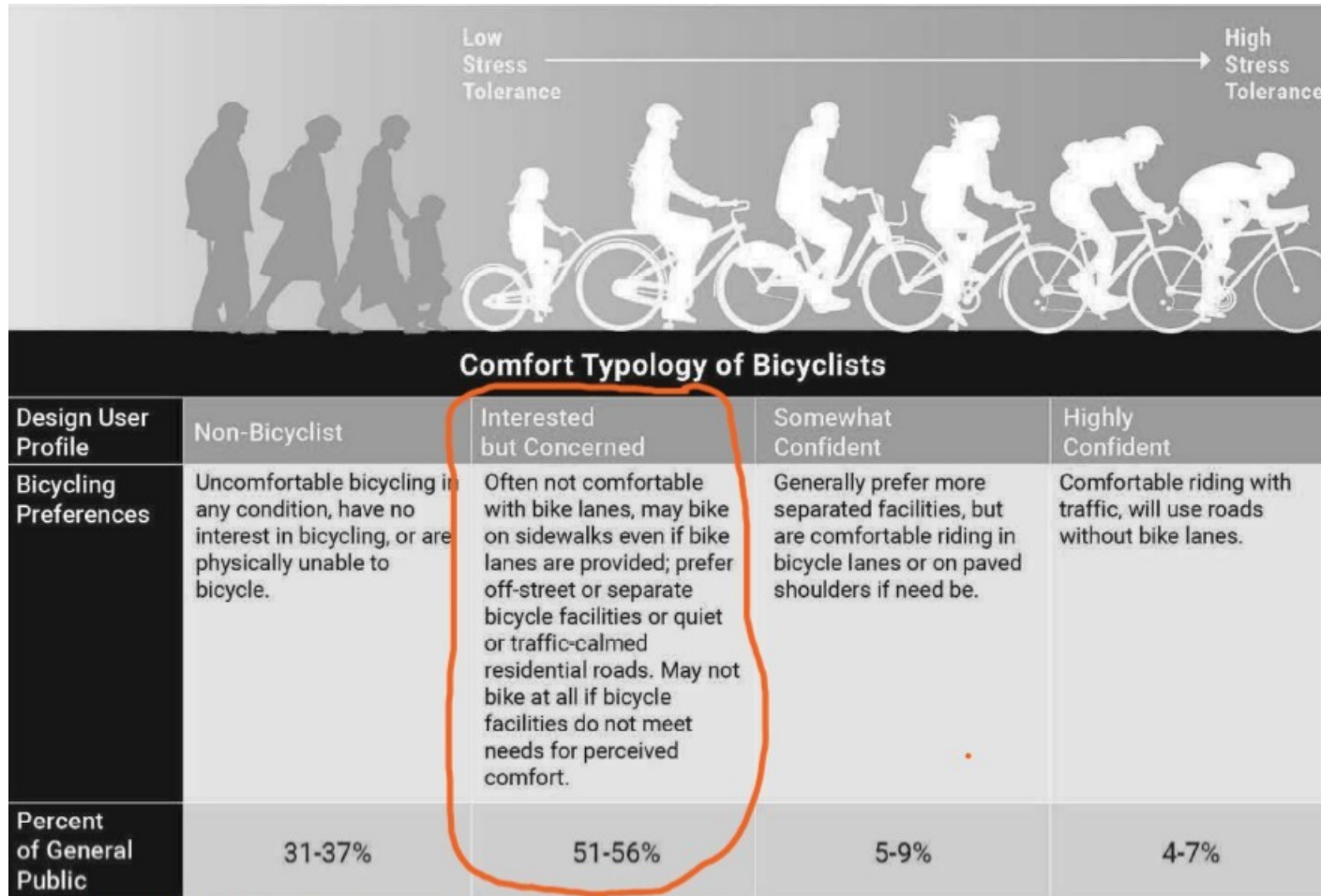


Figure SH.2. Level of Traffic Stress and Bicycle Riders

From: Napa County 2019 Bike Plan, pg 95.

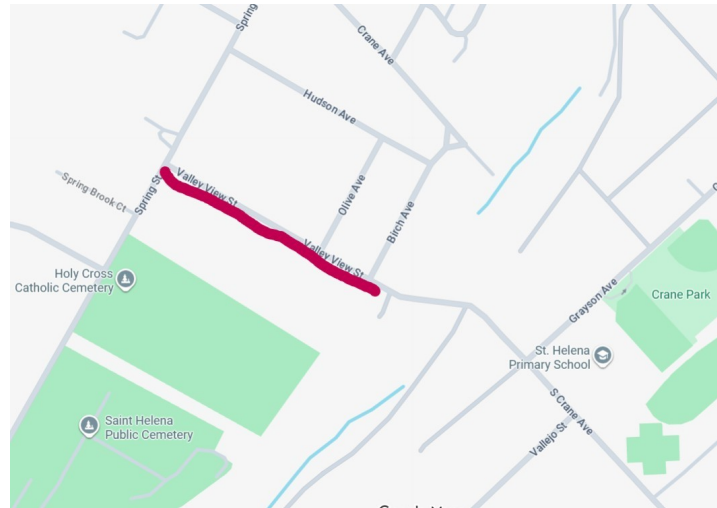
The Problem:

**Valley View Street
is too dangerous for kids on bicycles**

This street is access to:

Primary School
High School
Crane Park
Ball Fields

The problem area
in RED



Looking south from
Spring

A Solution:

Create a multi-use path to avoid Valley View

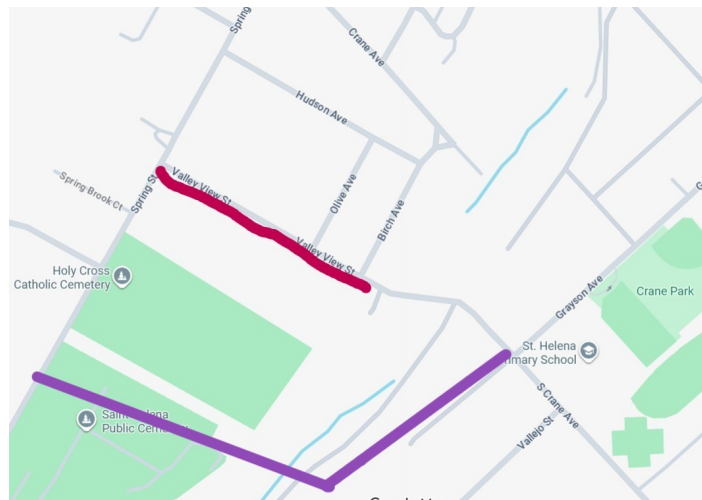
Access to:
Primary School
High School
Crane Park
Ball Fields

West of Valley View

Path through the Public Cemetery

Has straight paths through the cemetery

Own land near and across Sulphur Creek

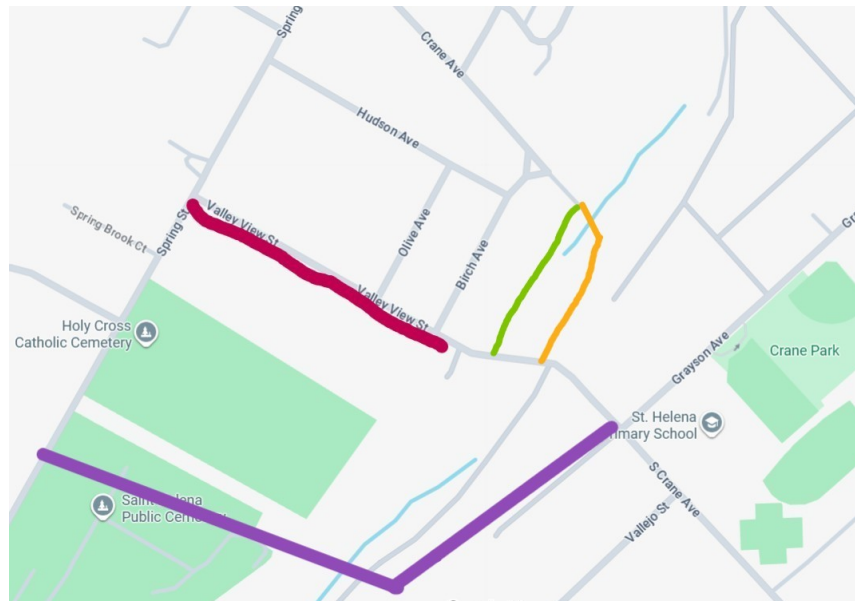


East of Valley View

Extend North Crane – two Options

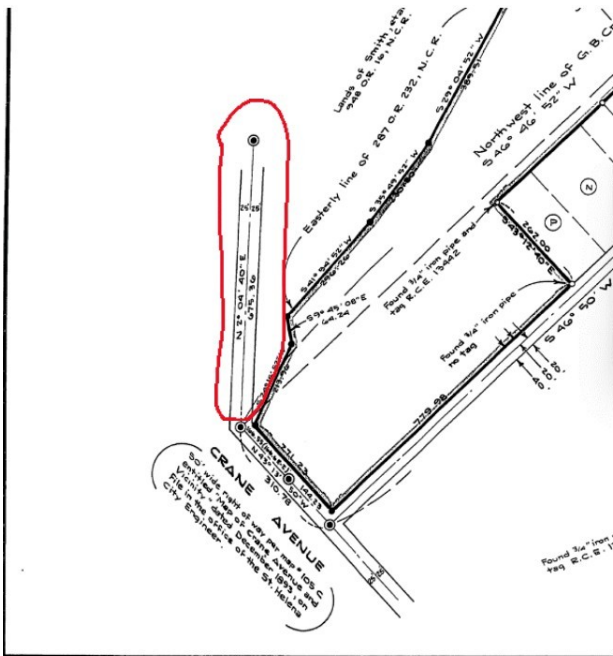
(1) North side of Sulphur Creek to the bridge

(2) South Side of the Creek to south of the bridge

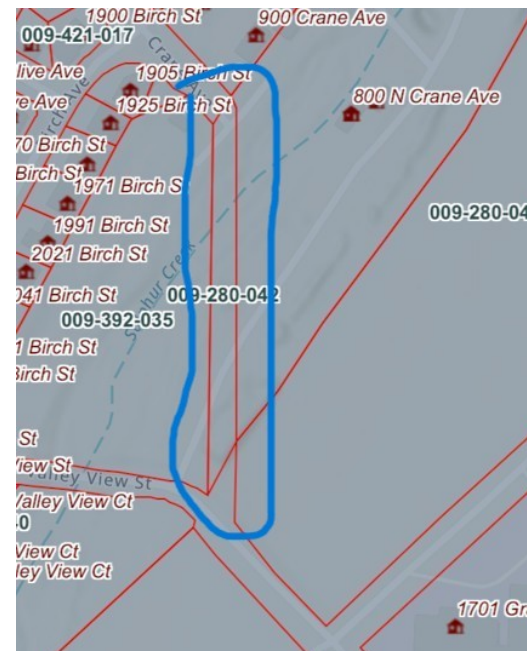


Parcel Maps for North Crane Extensions

City map from the 1970s decision to build
bridge from Valley View



Today; county parcel map

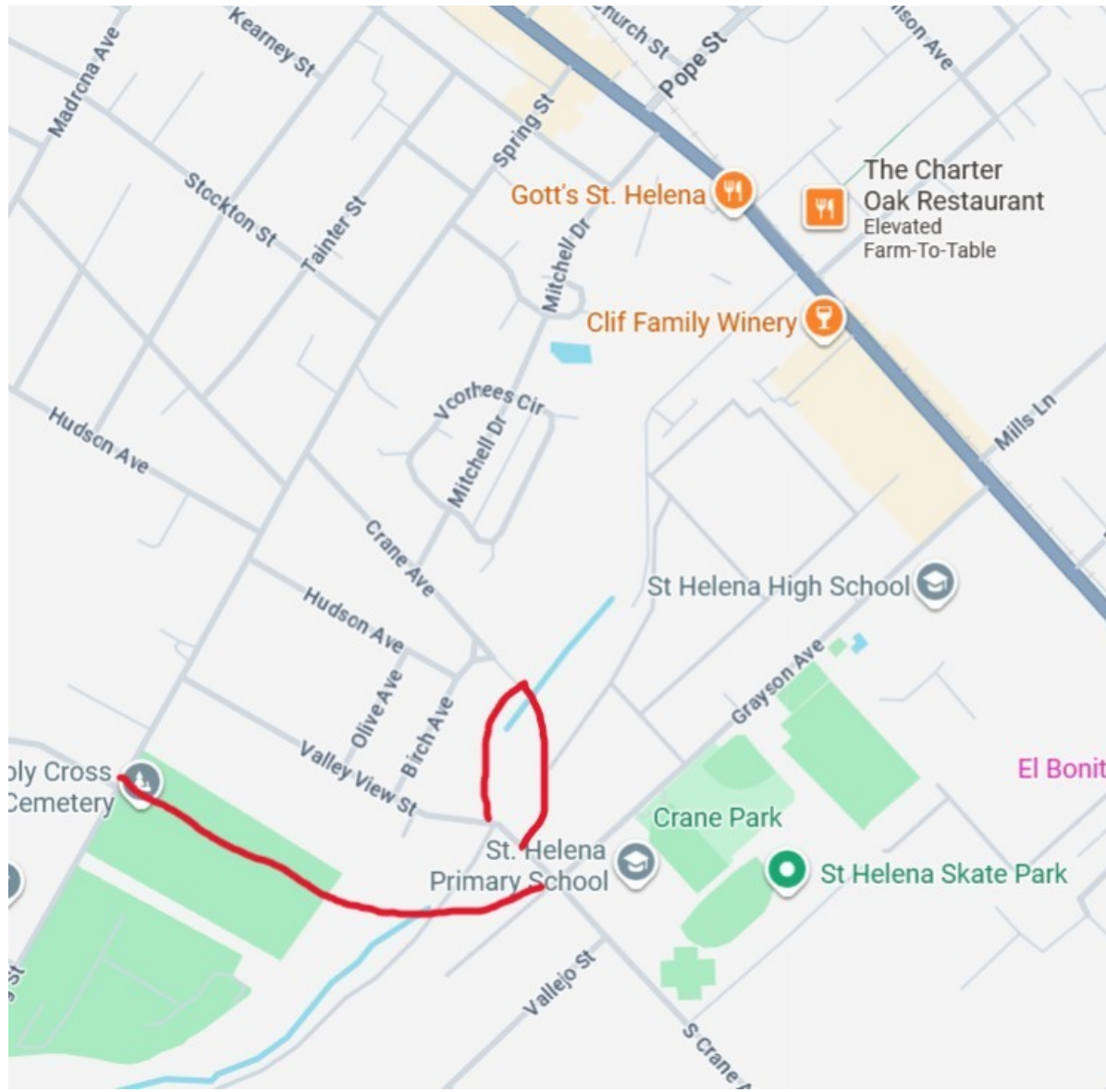


Outreach

(Is there a real problem to be solved?)

Michelle Deasy (City Council)
SHUSD Superintendent Jodi McClay
Parent Groups (Caroline Palmisano)
Cemetery Board (John Sales)
Dave Knudsen (Walk St. Helena)
Vince Georges (Little League President)
Mario Traverso (Public Works Project Manager)

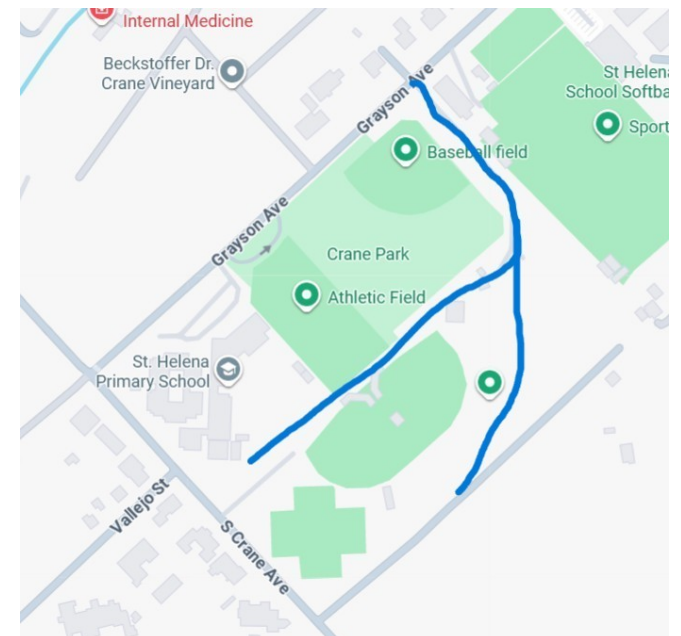
The Big Picture



ATSC, June 3rd, 2026

Issues

1. Is riding from their home to North Crane path feasible
 - still have deal with Spring Street.
 2. Use Mitchell to get to North Crane rather than Spring?
 3. LONG TERM....Impact of the Vine Trail/Fountain Street Homes
 - New Sidewalk extending south from Charter Oak to Grayson
 - New controlled crossing at Grayson/Main
- How will these changes affect walking/biking travel ?



ATSC Direction.....

Next Steps?