Safe Streets Committee Meeting  
June 6 2018, Altadena Community Center

1. Introductions, ~ 20 in attendance.

2. Purpose of the Committee, how it formed, mission statement - Chair Dorothy “Dot” Wong

3. Norms and agreements: Agree that all voices are important; be brief and concise; listen with open mind, open heart; respect time limits; make no personal attacks, parking lot. - Anne Chomyn

4. Review of April 28 Town Hall and Results of Surveys - Dot, Melissa Aldama

   The Town Hall took place in the Altadena Library Community Room on a Saturday afternoon. 33 people registered their attendance. A few representatives from County were present as well. The program included surveys, presentations (Complete Streets, Safe Routes to School, the County Bicycle Master Plan, and the Walkability Study conducted by 60 Altadenans four years ago), table conversations on modes of transport, and a mapping exercise.

   At the Town Hall, two surveys were done, the demographics survey, which 19 attendees filled out, and the modes of transport survey, which 16 people filled out. The demographics survey indicated that 2/3 were between the ages of 40 and 70, 2/3 had lived in Altadena between 6 and 15 years, the census tract with the greatest representation was 4601 (~37% of the 19) followed by 4602 and 4610 (21% each). When asked “to name two types of physical improvements you would like to see in your neighborhood,” the answers, grouped according to mode (more or less) and ranked according to number of mentions, were Accommodation for pedestrians, including students, Addressing speed, Road redesign, Bike accommodation, and Transit and miscellaneous.

5. Strategies for change
   a. Tom Reilly – Powerpoint presentation on Complete Streets – streets designed for users of all modes and abilities

      Tool box:
      To make crossing the street easier:
      Bulb outs – curb extensions
      Pork Chops - traffic channeling
      Chokers and refuge islands

      To slow traffic
      Traffic circles – can put up temporary ones as demonstration projects

   b. Jazmine De La Torre - representing Day One – partners with Bike SGV

      - Powerpoint presentation on Safe Routes to Schools (STRS)

      Aim is to make walking and riding to school safe, fun, convenient
      Benefits: health, safety (student near Jackson was killed)
      Other benefits:
      After walking or riding, concentration is better, students are able to be more alert, memory and learning are improved, stimulates creativity
Support is necessary – from parents, kids, neighbors, PTAs, Govt, elected officials, non-profits

Walk to School Day in El Monte - 4000 people showed up involved
Made people aware how unsafe walking to school was for the students

5 E’s - like those of Vision Zero
Education - bike safety classes, health, environment
Encouragement - walk to school day, newsletter, banners, posters, media
attention, walking school buses
Enforcement - law enforcement, initial community enforcement, crossing guards
Engineering -
Evaluation - Audits, surveys

c. Dot - Powerpoint presentation on mapping Altadena
   Mapping Lake Ave, Mariposa, Fair Oaks
   Traffic collision hot spots, 75% of collisions occur on or west of Lake Ave.

d. Q. and A.
   Meetings have been held previously and nothing happened – what’s to say that this committee will get something done?

6. Breakout sessions and visioning

   a. Safe Routes to Schools: Jazmine

   b. Mapping/Complete Streets - Dot
      - see notes provided by Richard Lambakis

- Anne Chomyn