Valparaiso Ave & Emilie Ave

Recommendations from Sacred Heart Safe Routes to School Plan:
- Install high visibility yellow crosswalk with advance stop bar on Emilie Ave
- Widen Emilie to provide separate dedicated left and right turn lanes

Recommendations from Valparaiso Safe Routes to School Plan:
- Lighted crosswalk at Emilie Ave
- Green bike lanes on Valparaiso
- Potential roadway widening/re-striping with turn lanes
- Pedestrian improvements along south side of Valparaiso from Johnson to Arbor

Encroaching landscaping, drainage issues, and narrow intersection for traffic
Limited available walking space on south side of roadway; no crosswalk at Emilie Ave

Walkable area
Mostly walkable area
Not walkable area
Potential Recommendations:
- Install new crosswalk on southeast leg; consider removal of existing crosswalk
- Provide sidewalk or walkway behind barrier to connect with proposed crosswalk
- Relocate/consolidate nearby bus stops and (need to extend walkway south to Winchester)
- Reduce travel lanes from 3 to 2 and add bike lanes on El Camino; design combined right turn only/thru bike lanes if necessary for traffic

Poor access to existing crosswalk, which is lengthened due to offset intersection and exposed to right-turns from Fair Oaks Lane

Groundcover and other obstacles prevent pedestrian access on Fair Oaks Lane from El Camino Real
Potential Recommendations:

- Install ADA curb ramps on all four corners; relocate drainage inlet on southeast corner
- Re-stripe crosswalks as high-visibility yellow with advance stop bars
- Install barrier between NB bike lane and existing pathway

Narrow pedestrian access at corners; faded crosswalks; lack of separation for northbound walkway

Inadequate pedestrian access to bus stop due to drainage inlet, vertical curbs, utility/signal poles

*Proposed pedestrian improvements*

Walkable area
Mostly walkable area
Not walkable area

Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
The north/east leg of intersection has numerous obstacles but sufficient width for off-street trail amenities on Marsh Road.

Construct context-sensitive trail on west side of Marsh Road toward Fair Oaks Lane/Bay Road/Bay Trail.

SB Middlefield: Widen roadway to provide sufficient width for Class II bike lane through intersection.

Opportunity for formalized gateway/community signpost.

Existing well-worn footpaths between Watkins and Marsh on Middlefield.

Re-stripe crosswalks and add advance stop bars.

Increase footpath separation from traffic by installing barrier (bollards, k-rail, or fencing).

NB Middlefield: Stripe combined right turn lane/thru bike lane with farside green bike lane treatments.

Improve drainage and walkability with valley gutter and accessible soft-surface pathway.

Potential shared use trail.

Proposed enhancements to existing bike lanes.

Walkable area
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This area is part of the Town of Atherton Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, Potential Priority Intersection.
Potential Recommendations:
- Reduce travel lanes from 3 to 2 and add bike lanes on El Camino
- Install pedestrian-actuated rapid flashing beacons or pedestrian hybrid signal
- Retain existing crosswalk or relocate as shown with modified median for refuge
- Build sidewalk or Class I trail along south side of El Camino

- Variable shoulder conditions provide poor accessibility to bus stop
- No existing bike facilities on El Camino

Groundcover, utilities, and fences obstruct pedestrian access to nearest crossing at Isabella Ave
- ADA pathway only via shoulder on El Camino

Proposed shared use trail
Proposed bike lanes
Proposed pedestrian improvements
Walkable area
Mostly walkable area
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New development with bus stop (SamTrans Routes 84, ECR, , and KX)
Potential Recommendations:
- Designate Atherton Avenue as a Class III bikeway
- Provide shared lane markings (sharrows) and wayfinding signage for countywide bicycle route
- Consider advisory/warning signage in advance of intersection for drivers

Occasional parking in walkway
No crosswalk or crossing signage
Occasional parking in walkway, rocks obstructing walkway

Proposed Shared Bikeway
Walkable area
Mostly walkable area
Not walkable area
Elena Ave & Faxon Rd

Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection

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Drainage issues

Proposed Shared Bikeway

Walkable area

Mostly walkable area

Not walkable area

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Elena Ave & Faxon Rd

Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Potential Recommendations:
- Reclaim southbound vehicle “slip lane” for non-motorized mobility, raingarden, and potential public art or gateway feature
- Provide marked or decorative crosswalks with ADA accessible landing areas
- Consider traffic circle and removal of all-way stop control
- Provide shared lane markings (sharrows) and wayfinding signage for countywide bicycle route

Trees and ground cover encroach on ROW and violate Town ordinance
Utilities, groundcover, and comprehensive drainage issue prevent pedestrian accessibility here
Currently all-way stop control, except yield for eastbound to southbound slip lane

Walkability degraded by drainage issues and slope

Potential pedestrian/intersection improvements

Inefficient intersection layout lacks pedestrian or bicycle features, impedes potential natural drainage solutions

Proposed Shared Bikeway

Potential pedestrian/intersection improvements

Walkable area

Mostly walkable area

Not walkable area
Wall and landscaping create poor visibility. Groundcover obstructs walkway.

Solid yellow centerline may discourage proper passing of bicyclists.

No crosswalk

Landscaping creates buffer from roadway but also creates a barrier to crossing.

Rocks in the sidepath violate the Town ordinance on encroachments.

Add wayfinding signage and potential shared lane markings (sharrows)

Proposed Shared Bikeway

Walkable area

Mostly walkable area

Not walkable area

Atherton Ave & Selby Ln

Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Uncontrolled crosswalk places pedestrians in two “triple threat” conditions across El Camino; center median not usable as a pedestrian refuge.

Overgrown vegetation limits walkability along south side of El Camino.

Potential Recommendations:
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- Install pedestrian-actuated rapid flashing beacon or hybrid pedestrian signal.
- Retain existing crosswalk or relocate as shown with modified median for refuge.
- Build sidewalk or Class I trail along south side of El Camino.

 Mostly walkable area

Potential Class I Shared Use Trail
Potential Class II Bike Lanes
Potential pedestrian improvements

El Camino Real &
Alejandra Ave

Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Recommendations from Sacred Heart Safe Routes to School Plan:
- Install high visibility yellow crosswalk across east leg of intersection
- Mark parking prohibitions on approach to school gate
- Trim vegetation along the east side of Park Lane, south of intersection

Other Potential Recommendations:
- Shared lane markings ("sharrows")
- Dashed yellow centerline stripe for passing
- Improved roadway edge/valley gutter (Park Lane north of Elena only)
- Revise school fenceline
- Relocate drainage inlet and curb edge

Landscaping prevents pedestrian access on SE corner, while a drainage inlet and fencing limit access on the NE corner.
Middlefield Rd
& Glenwood Ave

Consider new marked crosswalk with ADA accessible landings and potential conversion of left-turn lane to median island (needs discussion)

No crosswalks across Middlefield road

Fencing violates setback requirements; uneven shoulder surface with utilities

Drainage infrastructure impedes pedestrian access

Provide enhanced green bike lane treatments across intersection on Middlefield

Potential pedestrian improvements
- Walkable area
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Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection

Middlefield Rd
& Glenwood Ave
Decomposed granite pathways and bike lanes on Selby provide high demand for crossing El Camino Real.

Pedestrian crossing on El Camino requires crossing 7 lanes of traffic plus parking lane; prohibited on east/south leg.

Potential Recommendations:
- Install traffic signal at intersection (meets warrants)
- As alternative to full traffic signal, install pedestrian/bicyclist actuated hybrid signal
- Convert outside travel lanes on El Camino to bike lane plus landscaping; consider Class I trail south to bus stop and Fifth Avenue signal
- Consider curb bulb with ADA curb ramp on northeast corner at restaurant
- Restripe and extend Class II bike lanes on Selby Lane

Bike lanes faded and narrow at approach to intersection.

No formal walking or biking facilities, but shoulder wider than average in this segment.

El Camino Real & Selby Ln

Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Uneven surface/groundcover are obstacles here

Trim vegetation / improve street sweeping and widen bike lane where necessary

Provide ADA-accessible crosswalk landings; consider flashing beacon across Middlefield

Provide green bike lane treatment in right-turn conflict zone

Add pedestrian/bicycle wayfinding signage

Consider raingarden or public art with pedestrian improvements

Widen existing walkway/creek channel to provide Class I Trail to/from Holbrook-Palmer Park

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Middlefield Rd & Watkins Rd

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Park Ln & Emilie Ave

Signs and landscaping are minor obstacles

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Town of Atherton
Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
Potential Priority Intersection
Valparaiso Safe Routes to School Recommendations:
- Enhanced green bicycle lane treatments
- Study/Install traffic signal at Elena Ave

Sacred Heart Safe Routes to School Recommendations:
- Expand roadway and provide dedicated left- and right-turn vehicle travel lanes
- Install high-visibility yellow crosswalks
- Update school crossing signage

School crossings on 2 of 4 legs of the intersection

Groundcover could be cleared for better access on the NW corner here
Most of route not walkable outside of the narrow roadway

Notes/Potential Recommendations:

Unnecessary pinchpoint at sharp turn due to barrier and fencing

Pedestrian accessibility diminished by variable curb/shoulder conditions
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