



# Connecting Palo Alto

## Community Meeting Summary

Three Community Meetings will be held throughout the process as summarized below:

### Community Meeting

**Thursday August 23, 2018 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Mitchell Park Community Center El Palo Alto Room 3700 Middlefield Road**

Introduction to Project and initial screening of the grade separation ideas. During this community meeting, participants will have the opportunity to learn about:

- 1) Why separating the road from the tracks is needed
- 2) Rail service expansion plans and Caltrain electrification
- 3) The current design ideas for the four Palo Alto rail intersections being considered

In addition, participants will further screen and influence the remaining ideas. The Project Team will show video of existing grade crossing issues such as long waits when gates are down, traffic back-ups and unsafe behaviors. The ideas still under consideration will be explained and screened at the meeting. There will be a survey at the meeting with questions focused on communication materials and meeting logistics with an opportunity for attendees to also give thoughts about future topics. The format will include time for questions and answers, as well as time for the attendees to interact directly with the Project Team on specific topics such as traffic, bicycle and pedestrian circulation, refinement to design ideas, right-of-way impacts and the screening process. This meeting will NOT cover project costs, funding/financing, specific traffic circulation impacts or construction staging. Those topics will be covered in future meetings.

### Community Meeting

**Wednesday November 28, 2018 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Mitchell Park Community Center, El Palo Alto Room, 3700 Middlefield Road**

Continued feedback will be taken on the refined project ideas. Participants will discuss separating the street from the railroad at the two existing railroad crossings: **Charleston Road** and **Meadow Drive**. Site specific 3-D simulations will be available for public review. The Community will get an update on the traffic study and begin a conversation about funding and financing options.

### Community Meeting - New Date

**Wednesday March 27, 2019 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Mitchell Park Community Center, El Palo Alto Room, 3700 Middlefield Road**

Participants will discuss separating the street from the railroad at two existing railroad crossings: **Churchill Avenue**, and **Palo Alto Avenue**. In addition, the **Citywide Tunnel** will be discussed. Site specific 3-D visuals will be presented at the meeting. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about the Study traffic findings as well as the next steps in the process including updated funding and financing options and ideas for consideration.

Comments from each Community Meeting will be summarized and posted on the project web page for review along with the materials and PowerPoints used at the meetings for those who cannot attend.

**For more information visit:**  
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