Independent Elementary School is located in Castro Valley, California, and is part of the Castro Valley Unified School District. In 2016-17 there were 656 students enrolled at Independent Elementary School. An on-site walk audit was conducted on Wednesday afternoon, May 10th, 2017 with Principal Jim Kentris, Bruce Dughi (parent), Patrick Gilster (F&P), Clara Wong (F&P), and Carol Levine (Spokemore).

**ISSUES & CONCERNS**

**PRIORITY**
1. Bottleneck at school entrances due to parked vehicles
2. Red curb in front of school used as loading zone
3. Poor vehicle pick-up/drop-off circulation

**GENERAL**
1. Sidewalk gaps on Manter Road
2. Left-turn conflicts at the East Castro Valley Boulevard/Independent School Road intersection

**COLLISION HISTORY**
1. No pedestrian collisions reported
2. No bicycle collision reported adjacent to school. Bicycle collisions reported along Castro Valley Boulevard

**PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PRIORITY**

P1. Improve pedestrian accessibility at the school entrance on Independent School Road.
   **Addresses Issue(s):** Priority 1
   As an onsite improvement, paint curbs to designate the loading zone in west parking lot.
   **Addresses Issue(s):** Priority 2, Priority 3
   As an onsite improvement, designate van loading spaces in east parking lot.

**GENERAL**

G1. Improve pedestrian accessibility at the school entrance on Manter Road.
   **Addresses Issue(s):** Priority 1, General 1
   Signalize the Castro Valley Boulevard/Independent School Road intersection (Signal Warrant 3B met)
   **Addresses Issue(s):** General 2

**PROJECT OVERVIEW**

**KEY METRICS AT-A-GLANCE**

14 (24) AM(PM) Peak Hour Pedestrians at Major Intersection Access
1 (1) AM(PM) Peak Hour Bicycles at Major Intersection Access

Crossing Guard
None

Measure G
Planned School Funding

Reported Collisions 2009-2014

Bottleneck at school entrances due to parked vehicles
1
Improve pedestrian accessibility at the school entrance on Independent School Road.
Addressed Issue(s): Priority 1
As an onsite improvement, paint curbs to designate the loading zone in west parking lot.
Addressed Issue(s): Priority 2, Priority 3
As an onsite improvement, designate van loading spaces in east parking lot.
Addressed Issue(s): Priority 3

Sidewalk gaps on Manter Road
1
Left-turn conflicts at the East Castro Valley Boulevard/Independent School Road intersection
2
No pedestrian collisions reported
1
No bicycle collision reported adjacent to school. Bicycle collisions reported along Castro Valley Boulevard
2