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## **Council to Consider Action Following Bicyclist Death**

Cupertino, Calif., December 11, 2014 — On Tuesday, December 16, the Cupertino City Council will have its first opportunity to act on the November 6, 2014, Community Workshop on Traffic Safety around Schools. The Council will receive a presentation on a summary of comments and suggestions and will consider recommended near and long term action items. Actions may also include direction on budget proposals and amendments to the municipal code.

On October 27, 2014, the community suffered a tragic accident that resulted in the death of a Monta Vista High School student. The event involved a collision between a truck traveling on westbound McClellan Road and the student, who was riding a bicycle in the same direction.

On November 6th a Community Workshop was held at the Quinlan Community Center on the subject of traffic safety around schools. Approximate 225 attendees worked on identifying traffic safety issues and then identified possible solutions. Some of the most frequently proposed solutions by workshop attendees were:

- Expanding the network of bike lanes
- Creating separation between bike lanes and vehicular travel lanes, including allowing biking on sidewalks;
- Requests for additional crosswalks, crossing guards and lighted crosswalks at various locations throughout the city;
- Increasing police enforcement at key locations;
- Restricting truck traffic along school routes;
- Coordination with school districts, including adjustment of bell schedules; and
- Education campaigns aimed at drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians

Additional information about the workshop is available

at: www.cupertino.org/communityworkshop

Information on the agenda item is available at: www.cupertino.org/agenda