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ACTION CALENDAR

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(Continued from June 23, 2015)

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Councilmember Kriss Worthington
 Subject: City Manager Referral: Converting Dana & Ellsworth Street from Dwight to Bancroft to Two Way Streets

RECOMMENDATION

Refer to the City Manager to convert Dana Street between Dwight to Bancroft from a one-way street to a two-way street consistent with Southside Plan Policy T-C2, to improve its safety and functionality as a bike route.

BACKGROUND

As part of the Bancroft- Durant Two Way Street study, the consultants identified a smaller project that would be less expensive and speedier to implement. Instead of delaying these two small but important improvements, I am proposing to separate this out from the bigger project. Below is the language from the Fehr and Peers report:

Dana Street as a Two-Way Street – Dana Street currently operates as a one-way southbound street with a Class II Bike Lane from Bancroft Way to Dwight Way and it serves low volumes of vehicle traffic. North of Bancroft Way the Dana Street bikeway continues as a two-way facility through the University connecting Dana Street to Arch Street north of campus, and south of Dwight Way the Dana Street bikeway also continues as a two-way facility. This results in a northbound gap in the bikeway system along the Dana Street corridor.

The street conversion could either:

- a) Incorporate a northbound bike lane while southbound riders would travel in a shared lane; or
- b) Incorporate bike lanes in both directions with the removal of on-street parking. Ellsworth Street, the one-way couplet pair to Dana Street, should also be converted to a two-way street which is consistent with Southside Plan Policy T-D1. (If cost effective also consider converting Ellsworth from Dana to Bancroft streets).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

An estimated costs of \$300,000 for one street and up to \$1,000,000 for both streets.
We suggest requesting regional and University of California funds.

ENVIROMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY:

Consistent with Berkeley's Environmental Sustainability Goals by supporting pedestrian and bicycle use.

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