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Cc: [Sprinkle, Rob](#); [Medeiros, Joshua](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Speeding on Benton & King Streets
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Dear Santa Rosa City Council, Officer Medeiros, and Rob Sprinkle,

I am writing again about the speeding in the JC Neighborhood, specifically at Benton & King Streets.

This last Saturday, September 9th at 2:00 AM my neighbors and I were once again wakened by a North-bound vehicle speeding on King Street, running the four-way stop sign at Benton and bottoming out in the dips and creating a lot of noise that woke us up. This time, no other vehicles were involved, unlike the Tesla crash last month.

The driver pulled over at the corner of King and Nason for a short period of time. 911 calls were placed but the driver drove off before any officers arrived. Morning light revealed several large pieces of debris and over fifty smaller pieces of plastic and metal all over the North-end of the four-way stop on King Street.

Also last week, for the third time in six weeks, I stepped off the curb on College and King with the pedestrian light a go for me and a West-bound car completely ran the red light for them, forcing me to step back. There was a police car on the E Street left turning lane, but did nothing.

It is becoming increasingly difficult for our neighborhood to access the downtown safely whether in a car, bicycle or by walking.

The speeding is random, more frequent in the evenings and rush hour traffic. A patrol car would need to be stationed at any one of these points 24-7 to catch offenders.

We are asking that the City Council do something about our safety and well-being as the severity of the incidents are increasing.

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