From: Eric

To: <u>CityCouncilListPublic</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Lowering speed limits - please please lower the speed limits

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 6:09:21 PM

Hello Mayor Rogers and City Council,

I just read in the Press Democrat that you all will be considering lowering speed limits around town. I've lived here for over 20 years and people just seem to be driving crazier and crazier. I'm emailing you today to express my full support for reducing speed limits around town.

Thanks for considering this important safety matter,

Eric Shott

Santa Rosa

From: Patrick Brady
To: CityCouncilListPublic

Subject:[EXTERNAL] Lower the Speed Limits...Date:Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:52:52 PM

I just read in the Press Democrat that the city's response to drivers speeding and causing accidents is to lower speed limits around town. This will have absolutely no impact. Why? Because these crazy speeding drivers don't care about the speed limit. They pay no attention whatsoever to speed limit signs. What would have a likely impact? Increasing law enforcement. Pulling them over and writing speeding tickets. Thus hitting them in the pocketbook. We could easily pay for more traffic enforcement with the money that would bring in. Again, just lower speed limits is useless!

Patrick Brady

From: Kris Hammar

To: CityCouncilListPublic

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for lower speed limits throughout the city!

Date: Monday, August 19, 2024 10:14:50 AM

Dear Council

I want to express my STRONG support for the speed reductions being proposed for Santa Rosa Streets that I read about in the Press Democrat on Sunday, August 18. I hope this will reduce the many accidents that Santa Rosa and Sonoma County have. I have lived in 3 Bay Area counties and this is, by far, the worst I have experienced in terms of automobile and pedestrian accidents.

Pedestrians (including families, parents and grandparents with strollers) and bicyclists will all be so much safer if we can slow drivers down. And hopefully all automobile accidents will decline significantly.

Please, please, please vote to approve these lower speed limits which will help us have a safer streets and neighborhoods.

Thank you!

Kris Hammar

From: <u>Elizabeth Evans</u>

To: <u>City Council Public Comments</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Elizabeth Evans - Talmadge Wright - Aug 20, 2024 - Item 13.3

Date: Monday, August 19, 2024 11:22:42 AM

Aug 20, 2024

To the City Council,

We read the resolution regarding slowing speeds on specific roads in Santa Rosa and are requesting that you include Summerfield between Hoen and Montgomery Dr. in this effort. Since the pandemic Summerfield residents have witnessed accelerated and dangerous speeds by drivers.

Over the years we have seen car crashes, usually caused by drivers losing control on the blind curve south of Sonoma Ave. We have lost pets and have seen many dead animals hit by cars on the road. We have had several close calls, ourselves, trying to enter our driveway on Summerfield from impatient drivers trying to pass. People have been killed or injured trying to get to Spring Creek Middle School. Pedestrians, including students, walk along Summerfield to either access the bus stop at Texas and Summerfield or to get to their schools of which there are several in the vicinity. The only sidewalks on Summerfield between Texas and Mayette are on the west side of the street and the lack of sidewalks on the east side of the road means pedestrians are walking in the traffic. With the new Greenway Park coming in from Yulupa to Summerfield traffic calming measures in the area are essential.

We would like to see traffic police posted on Summerfield regularly, especially during commute hours. In addition, we would like to propose other possible traffic calming measures that would not require human resources:

- Lower the speed limit on Summerfield;
- Install a stop light on Summerfield at Mayette;

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Put in a flashing light crosswalk on Summerfield at Spring Creek;

Install an electronic speed indicator along Summerfield so drivers can see how

fast they are going;

Install cameras to record the license plate numbers of speeding drivers then

send those drivers tickets;

Put in a traffic circle at one of the intersections between Hoen and Sonoma Ave;

Install speed tables

Summerfield has become a connector to Highway 12, along with Farmer's Lane, a purpose it was not designed for. Given the excessive speeds and accidents along this stretch of road we argue that Summerfield has become a salient issue of public

safety.

We are grateful to the city for looking at slowing traffic on specific roads in Santa

Rosa and believe Summerfield should be one of the focus areas before someone

else is injured or killed.

Elizabeth Evans

Dr. J. Talmadge Wright

Santa Rosa