

Additional Traffic Safety Suggestions : Agenda Item 6.B

The purpose of this proposal is to improve pedestrian and traffic safety in the immediate vicinity of Lanai Road Elementary School through a combination of physical traffic-calming measures, pedestrian-protection infrastructure, improved visibility, and targeted enforcement.

The primary request is for the City to evaluate and implement protective bollards and flashing/blinking STOP signs at high-traffic and high-risk intersections, together with speed humps or other approved traffic-calming measures on surrounding residential streets.

These improvements are being requested proactively, before a serious pedestrian or vehicle accident occurs. A recurring concern is that drivers travel through these residential intersections at excessive speeds and, in some instances, appear to cut the corner or make turns at high speed, creating a dangerous situation for pedestrians, children, bicyclists, and other motorists.

I request that the City conduct an engineering review of the following intersections and evaluate the installation of protective bollards or other appropriate physical barriers at the corners where they would provide the greatest safety benefit:

Ballina Canyon Rd and Oldham
Ballina Dr and Ballina Canyon Rd
Bosque and Ballina Dr
Hayvenhurst Dr and Ballina Dr

In addition to the bollards, I request that the City evaluate the installation of flashing or LED-enhanced STOP signs at the intersections listed above, particularly where traffic speeds, visibility, or the volume of school-related pedestrian activity warrant additional driver attention. A similar flashing STOP-sign installation is suggested as an example for the City to consider:



In addition to intersection improvements, I am requesting that the City conduct a neighborhood-wide speed and traffic study and evaluate the installation of speed humps on Lanai Road and the surrounding residential streets near Lanai Road Elementary.

We should not have to wait for a child to be struck, a pedestrian to be seriously injured, or a major vehicle collision to occur before safety improvements are installed.

The goal is simple: slow vehicles down, protect pedestrians at intersections, improve driver awareness, and create a safer neighborhood for the children and families of Lanai Road Elementary.

Best,
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