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Linda Marabian, Deputy Director, Transportation and Storm Water Department
Lorie Zapf, District 2 City Council Member
Conrad Wear, District 2 Staff, Point Loma Council Representative

Safer Streets in Point Loma-Five Dangerous Intersections

Dear Director Marabian and Council Member Zapf,

The Peninsula Community Planning Board Traffic and Transportation Subcommittee posted requests on NextDoor.com and Facebook asking the community for input as to which neighborhood intersections were considered dangerous. There were hundreds of responses. Those responses were initially consolidated to sixty unsafe intersections and that list was further reduced to prioritize these five dangerous intersections.

The PCPB is requesting that the City analyze these five intersections and collaborate with the Community to identify and implement specific traffic safety improvements. Community suggestions have been offered at some intersections as possible solutions.

1. Chatsworth, Hyacinth and Clove at Plumosa Park: This area is extremely dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles, due to high vehicle speeds, problematic flex posts and blind corners. These issues makes this area very unsafe, especially during the morning school commute.
2. The triangle of intersections near PLHS (Voltaire and Chatsworth) , Point Loma Presbyterian Church (Chatsworth/Voltaire/Poinsettia) and the PL Hervey Library (Voltaire and Poinsettia): These three intersections are each adjacent to popular community destinations, are within an identified Safe Route to Schools area and impact one another.
3. Emerson/Rosecrans, Emerson/Scott: This area has both high traffic volume and high speeds. It is very unsafe to cross Rosecrans Street, or Scott Street for pedestrians and cyclists between Harbor Drive and Shelter Island Drive due to both traffic volume and high speed. Might Flashing Beacon Lights and Continental Crosswalks be installed at Emerson/Rosecrans and Emerson/Scott? This could alert motorists to reduce their high speeds and create a safer pedestrian/bicycle corridor from Roseville to San Diego Bay.

4. Catalina at Canon: This is a very dangerous area for pedestrians and cyclists. There have been terrible accidents at this location. Might the City consider the elimination of the "free right" turn from Catalina northbound to Cañon and redesign the intersection hardscape? Creating a controlled right turn, along with other features, could improve traffic safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists.

5. Nimitz at Evergreen: This is a very dangerous intersection traveling southbound on Nimitz. Several times vehicles have approached this turn too quickly and crashed into homes. We are asking the City to implement changes to slow down vehicles and create safer traffic conditions.

The Peninsula Community Planning Board looks forward to the City's analysis and recommendations to improve these intersections and to make our streets safer for its residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jon Linney", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jon Linney
Peninsula Community Planning Board- Chair