

This letter will be sent to the following folks, for item #2 on the Aug. 25, 2020 Council meeting

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- City Clerk David Carnahan cityclerk@sunnyvale.ca.gov
- City Manager – Ken Steffens kSteffens@sunnyvale.ca.gov
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- Lillian Tsang (ltsabg@sunnyvale.ca.gov) Staff person for the Active Transportation Plan
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- Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee bpac@sunnyvale.ca.gov

My name is Valérie Suarès, lead of the SNAIL neighborhood expressing the concerns many SNAIL residents have submitted through the Access Sunnyvale portal, and letters prior to the launch of this portal.

We are seriously concerned about the total lack of outreach from city staff to the neighborhood associations, including SNAIL. We are deeply frustrated by the invisibility of staff to any of our regular monthly meetings since this project started, and the lack of response to an invitation sent to staff in January with the opportunity to speak to our neighborhood community giving then four alternative dates to choose from. To this date, (end of August), staff has yet to acknowledge receipt of or accept our invitation to address our members.

I only heard about the Active Transportation Plan, the night before the final version was being presented at the June 18, 2020 BPAC commission meeting. Despite some community outreach meetings, at no point was the ATP brought up to any of the SNAIL monthly meetings, one of the largest and most active neighborhoods in the city.

SNAIL members have serious concerns about the increased traffic and the high speed drivers that are traveling through the SNAIL neighborhood. For years SNAIL residents submitted their concerns to the city, and nothing has changed, not a single suggestion nor idea has been implemented.

Had staff conducted outreach to SNAIL and the other neighborhood associations about the ATP, they might have been able to integrate these comments and concerns into the plan.

This is why,

- in addition to endorsing the BPAC Revised Plan, and
- because of SNAIL Members are especially concerned about the high speeds on Borregas and Morse and their dangerous crossings, that
- we ask for the following changes and improvements at three major traffic corridors that fail to meet some traffic and pedestrian safety and safe route to school. These are **BORREGAS, MORSE and DUANE**.

To support our requests for changes and improvements at three major traffic corridors, here is a brief list of just a few incidents captured by SNAIL neighbors' cameras:

- **August 2, 2020 @ 5.16PM**
Doughnuts at the intersection of Duane x Morse
- **August 7, 2020 @ 10:05pm**
High Speed down Morse through 4-way stop
- **July 25, 2020 @ 8:57pm**
High Speed through 4-way stop - on Duane x Morse speed calculated at 65mph
- **July 9, 2020 afternoon**
Reckless driver Car making doughnuts on Duane x Morse
- **June 22, 2020, @ 6PM**
Morse x Duane explosive thrown out of vehicle

Reported incidents with no cameras

- **July 5, 2020** - reported high speed on Morse avenue near Columbia school while kids at play
- **June 21, 2020 @ Midnight**, 3 days after the BPAC meeting, a suspected drunk driver sped down Borregas plowing car into house on North Murphy injuring two people
- **November 8, 2017**, driver speeds through East Arbor into Seto, Japanese restaurant
- **November 19, 2016**, the airborne driver, plowing at 80 mile/h onto the wall on West Duane three years ago.
- **October 6, 2016 at West Duane**, on the West Side of the SNAIL neighborhood, a driver smashed his car into the Wall
- **April 28, 2016**, a car drives into a house on Arbor at Worley
- **October 23, 2013** 10:22 PM, Fatal car crash, 2 vehicles, 2 people, 1 fatality, intersection of Fair Oaks and Maude avenues
- **In 2011**, a car hit a residential garage door, at the end of West Arbor
- **2011**, a few month later another car hit the tree planted on the front lawn of the same property on West Arbor
- **November, 2011, at 3AM** car plows into the corner house of East Eaglewood and Borregas

It is for these reasons illustrated by neighbor's willingness to share their incidents, photos and stories combined by the fact that drivers not aware that SNAIL neighborhood doesn't have any through streets are speeding through the neighborhood looking for an exit to Mathilda from Fair Oaks, that we are asking Staff to install and implement the following:

- 1. We ask for SAFER INTERSECTIONS ON BORREGAS AND MORSE**
 - a. Paint High Visibility Crosswalks at all crossings on Borregas and Morse
 - b. Remove Parking at Corners to daylight intersections
 - c. curb bulb-outs to reduce crossing distance
- 2. Consider installing ROUNDABOUT CIRCLES at the intersections of**
 - a. Borregas and Eaglewood
 - b. Morse and Duane
- 3. Install FLASHING PEDESTRIAN BEACONS at highly-used crossing intersections on**
 - a. Borregas at:
 - Arbor, Duane, Eaglewood, Ferndale, Del Norte, E. Hemlock and Alturas
 - b. Morse at:
 - Arbor, Duane, Ferndale, Glendale

Also consider:

- 4. Installing SPEED BUMPS to slow vehicle speeds on Borregas between:**
 - a. Arbor and Duane,
 - b. Eaglewood and Ferndale**Morse between:**
 - c. Arbor and Duane,
 - d. Fernwood and Ferndale
- 5. Installing NO EXIT TO MATHILDA signs at the entrance of 5 crossing streets - West of Borregas**
 - a. W. Arbor,
 - b. W. Duane,
 - c. W. Eaglewood,
 - d. W. Ferndale, and
 - e. Hemlock

6. NO EXIT TO FAIR OAKS signs at the entrance of 3 crossing streets - East of Morse

- a. Waddington
- b. E. Fernwood
- c. Glendale

7. A Community Driven Change Process for the Active Transportation Plan,

where every two years, citizens' concerns will be heard to provide the neighborhoods a process to push for changes within their boundaries.

This address accompanies and complement the PowerPoint which will be presented during the Council meeting

Thank you for your time and support in keeping our SNAIL neighborhood safe.

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