

Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO **FROM:** Councilmember Dev Davis

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT DATE: 05/26/2021

Approved Date 5/26/2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Traffic Calming Improvements in the Buena Vista Neighborhood

Amount of City Funding Required: One-time: \$100,000

Ongoing: \$5,000

This change is:

X One-time X Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable):

Proposal Description, including the reason for the need and anticipated outcomes (Please describe how the proposal will affect services for San José residents, community groups, businesses, etc.):

Buena Vista is a neighborhood in a highly congested and dense area of San Jose. It is nestled between an interstate exit and three major roads. There is a wide variety of mixed housing, apartments, condos, townhomes, single family homes, and businesses. This creates a saturation of vehicles and dangerous speeding on narrow streets.

Residents from the Buena Vista Neighborhood are very concerned about their safety. Some of the concerns include speeding, pedestrian safety, non-compliance to stop signs and illegal parking on sidewalks. In the last 5 years, there have been 56 crashes where speeding was one of the major contributing factors.

DOT recently received an Office of Traffic Safety grant where a consultant will be conducting walk audits in eight (8) neighborhoods, including the Buena Vista neighborhood. The walk audit will provide the residents the opportunity to share their concerns and the consultant will provide recommendations for mitigation.

DOT anticipates recommendations may include measures such as: crosswalk upgrades to high visibility, edgelines and centerline striping, quick build curb extension improvements for pedestrian safety and to slow turning vehicles, faded paint refresh, and radar speed sign installation on the arterial and collector streets encompassing the neighborhoods. \$100,000 will provide funding to implement anticipated improvements resulting from the walk audit.

Funding Source

X Essential Services Reserve: \$100,000

X Other (Please specify program/project/fund): \$5000 from Building and Structure Construction Tax Fund and/or the Construction Excise Tax Fund within the Traffic Capital Program

Department or Organization Contact

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