



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR MAHAN

FROM: Councilmember Pam Foley

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2023

Approved

Date May 25, 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Blossom Hill/Leigh – Crosswalk/intersection safety improvements

Amount of City Funding Required: \$105,000

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): #28

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.):

Blossom Hill Road is a Vision Zero Priority Safety Corridor, a roadway with a disproportionate number of fatal and severe crashes. The signalized intersection at Blossom Hill Rd and Leigh Av is shared jurisdiction between San José and Los Gatos. In March of 2023, the community was devastated by the tragic and preventable death of a pedestrian at this intersection. To reduce vehicle speeds and improve safety, the following recommended improvements should be funded:

- a. Install one (1) speed radar sign on Blossom Hill Road, near Belgatos Road, facing the westbound direction.
- b. Add retroreflective yellow back-plates to all traffic signal heads and upgrade existing 8-inch traffic signal heads to 12-inch on Blossom Hill Rd at Leigh Av, Harwood Rd, and at Camden Av.
- c. Enhance all existing standard crosswalk striping to high visibility striping at Blossom Hill Rd & Leigh Av, and at Blossom Hill Rd & Camden Av.

- d. Install pavement edge line striping on Blossom Hill Rd & Camden Av.
- e. Conduct a feasibility study for a potential lane reduction (4 to 2 through lanes) on Blossom Hill Rd between Camden Av and Meadowbrook Dr. If the lane reduction is feasible, it can be implemented as part of the future Pavement Maintenance Program subject to outreach to the greater community.

Due to this intersection and the Blossom Hill Rd corridor being joint jurisdiction of the City of San José and the Town of Los Gatos, all improvements should be coordinated between the two agencies.

Funding Source

- ▣ Essential Services Reserve: \$52,500
- ▣ Other (Please specify program/project/fund): \$52,500 District 9 PSE Fund

Department or Organization Contact

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