

Public Comments
BPAC Meeting March 27, 2024

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Subject: re: 3.27.24 Meeting - Agenda Item 6.1 Vision Zero Action Plan and Local Road Safety Plan

Dear BPA Commissioners:

First off, kudos to staff and their consultants for using solid data (crash, equity, proven efficacy of proposed countermeasures....) for building these two comprehensive plans.

I particularly like the methodology used to determine the top safety corridors in Mountain View and hope that this list will always be top of mind when the City revisits budgets or prioritizations (in other words, these corridors should only go up and never go down the priority list).

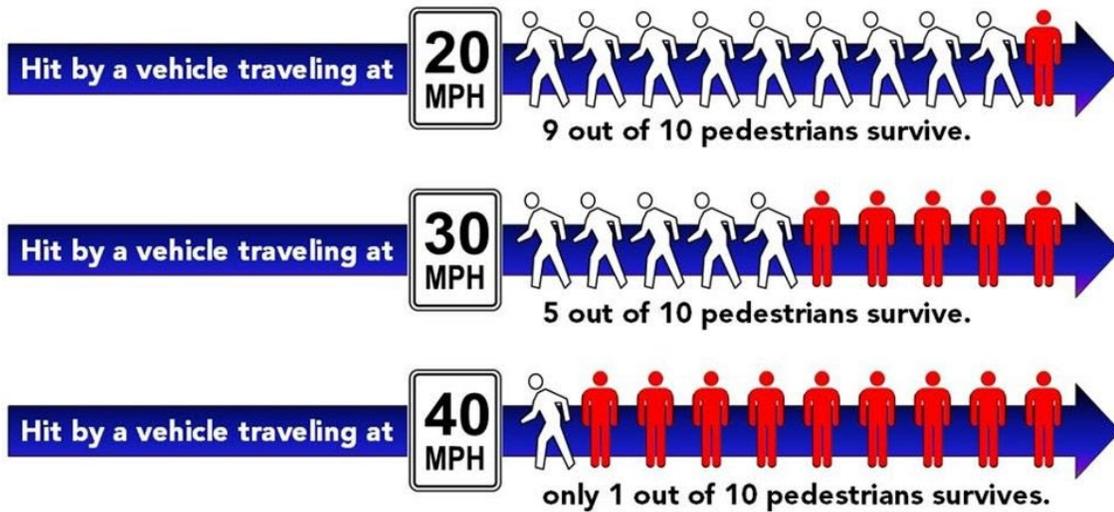
Where I feel the plans don't go far enough is in the timetable. When Mountain View adopted Vision Zero it was with a 2030 horizon/goal. The action plan for the safety corridors seems pretty long term (City is still looking for a grant to start studying Rengstorff...) and as proposed I'm not optimistic we will see much improvements on the safety corridors by 2030. Just consider that it has been taking 15+ years (and counting) to get a marked crosswalk on Grant by Sleeper Avenue.

I am writing to urge you to add a short(er) term action plan for the identified safety corridors. One that would focus on the intersections (where most crashes occur) and one that would leverage policy and/or quick build/fairly inexpensive counter measures:

- Repaint existing crosswalks every 1-2 years on the safety corridors. If on a route to school, consider painting them yellow and adding school route type signs,



- Leverage AB413 to daylight every single crosswalk (in all directions) along the safety corridors. For example a treatment seen by Dana and Castro
- No turns on Red along the Safety Corridors. The city has a few no turn on red signs (Hope Street to Evelyn Crittenden to Shoreline ...), I don't recall any meeting nor a capital project for those.
- Now that we have a list of Safety Corridors in Mountain View, let's aggressively leverage existing law allowing the City via ordinance to lower the posted speed limit by 5mph. Looking at the following chart, a 30mph posted speed limit would lower the actual speed on our safety corridors and provide your residents who walk a longer life expectancy.



Sincerely,

Serge Bonte