



Agenda Report

22-869

Agenda Date: 7/12/2022

REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Action on a Written Petition (Council Policy 030), Submitted by Cecilia Aguiar Requesting to Place an Agenda Item on a Future Council Meeting to Consider Traffic Calming Measures on Cabrillo Avenue

COUNCIL PILLAR

Enhance Community Engagement and Transparency

BACKGROUND

Council Policy 030 - Adding an Item on the Agenda (Attachment 1) sets forth the procedure for written petitions. Any member of the public may submit a written request raising any issue or item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. Per the policy, the written request will be submitted on the agenda, in the form substantially provided by the requestor, without any staff analysis, including fiscal review, legal review and policy review. If a simple majority of the City Council supports further study of the request, then a full staff analysis shall be prepared within thirty (30) days, unless otherwise directed by the City Council.

DISCUSSION

The City Clerk's Office received a Written Petition on June 17, 2022 from Cecilia Aguiar, (Attachment 2) requesting to place an agenda item on a future council meeting to consider the following as stated in the request: Cul-Del-sac (Dead End), Speed bumps or similar traffic calming measures need to be instituted at the Cabrillo Ave and Lawrence Expressway along the 3583-3445 blocks of Cabrillo Avenue (between Lawrence Expressway and Nobili Avenue).

The excessive speeds of motorists, including Santa Clara School District buses, Commercial Heavy Weight Vehicles daily endanger the lives of the residents their families, (many of which with small children) as well as the resident's pets.

In addition, there have been multiple recent incidents of speeding that have results in costly damage to residents parked cars. Noise is a daily problem caused by speeding vehicles, often exacerbated by the vibration of speeding vehicles that set off the car alarms of resident's vehicles that have been parked on the street. Our street is no longer safe and it is the duty of the City to provide necessary and effective traffic calming measures before tragedy occurs.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with considering the request to be placed on a future agenda except for staff time.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California

Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is an administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any report to council may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>> or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Set a future Council meeting date to take action on the Written Petition received.
2. Take no action.
3. Any other City Council Action, as determined by the City Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff makes no recommendation.

Reviewed by: Nora Pimentel, Assistant City Clerk

Approved by: Rajeev Batra, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

1. Policy and Procedure 030 - Adding an Item on the Agenda
2. Written Petition submitted by Cecilia Aguiar dated June 10, 2022