

Public Comment

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Sukhmani Purewal

From: Carolyn Shepard [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 11:44 PM
To: CMO_BoardFeedback
Subject: Aug. 4, Board Meeting, Agenda item 39

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To the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Carolyn Shepard and I am part of Solutions for Supportive Homes, formerly called the Mental Health Housing Advocacy Group. I am sending this written comment in the event I am unable to connect via zoom to verbally deliver my comment.

I am addressing item # 39, Resolution for MHSA Plan to be submitted to the State.

MHSA funding, although only 15% of the BHRS budget, is an opportunity to address some of the challenges in mental health services in San Mateo County. The 3 year Priority Plan for 21-23 places the Continuum of Housing as its top priority.

Providing housing with support systems for the homeless with mental health disorders is certainly a priority, as it should be. However, as I have stated previously before this Board, we have a population of adults who are at risk of becoming homeless. Those are the adult children of aging parents. These parents are afraid. The COVID-19 pandemic has only served to intensify their fears.

While we may try to come up with solutions for housing among ourselves as parents, the need for mental health support services is vital to the success of whatever the housing solution is for our loved ones. They cannot live successfully and independently without support.

This is an opportunity to be creative, to work with housing developments, board and cares, or private solutions, to bring parity of services that the IDD population now enjoys. MHSA funding can help fill that gap. No single investment will do more to advance mental health care than investment in quality affordable, supportive homes.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns.

Carolyn Shepard
Solutions for Supportive Homes

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[REDACTED]

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From: Chelsea Snow [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 5:23 PM
To: Don Horsley; Michael Callagy; safety@univpark.org; CMO_BoardFeedback; Jim Porter; Carole Groom; Dave Pine; David Canepa; Warren Slocum
Subject: Please make safety improvements to the Palo Alto Way crosswalk

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I request County Supervisors require the immediate installation of safety improvements at the Palo Alto Way crosswalk, including the recommended Pedestrian activated crosswalk warning light system for the crosswalk . Additionally, County should install the other recommended improvements like advance stop lines to keep stopped traffic well back of crosswalks; and, a Pedestrian Crossing warning bollard. Supervisor's help is needed to finally get these critical safety measures enacted and promptly put in place.

It is ridiculous that this crosswalk has remained so unsafe for so long.

Regards,
Chelsea

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From: Dakota Snow [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 6:09 PM
To: Don Horsley; Michael Callagy; safety@univpark.org; CMO_BoardFeedback; Jim Porter; Carole Groom; Dave Pine; David Canepa; Warren Slocum
Subject: Residents Concerned! Please support needed safety for a Palo Alto Way crosswalk

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I request County Supervisors require the immediate installation of safety improvements at the Palo Alto Way crosswalk, including the recommended Pedestrian activated crosswalk warning light system for the crosswalk, as per the comprehensive proposal by the University Park neighborhood. Additionally, County should install the other recommended improvements like advance stop lines to keep stopped traffic well back of crosswalks; and, a Pedestrian Crossing warning bollard. Supervisor's help is needed to finally get these critical safety measures enacted and promptly put in place. Please allow this unnecessary safety liability to be corrected and these corrective measures taken, as the effective proposal has been carefully researched and cut out for you. All we need is your okay!

Thank you,
Dakota Snow

Petition to Install Pedestrian Activated Crosswalk Traffic Light at Palo Alto Way and Santa Cruz Ave West Menlo Park

TO: San Mateo Board of Supervisors and Department of Public Works

Issue and Background:

We are residents of West Menlo Park and we are drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians. We want our neighborhood to be safe, accessible, and hospitable to all traffic, including foot traffic. The crosswalk at the intersection of Palo Alto Way and Santa Cruz Ave lacks effective safety measures for our neighborhood community. School children, seniors visiting neighbors, neighbors accessing the bus stop, and all people of all ages walking in the area should feel safe and should BE safe using this crossing.

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Request of the Undersigned:

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Printed Name	Signature	Street Address	Comment
SUSAN MONSE	<i>Susan Monse</i>	[REDACTED]	
LOIS CARONAL	<i>Lois Caronal</i>		
Marilyn Palmer	<i>Marilyn Palmer</i>		
SUSAN MARSHALL	<i>Susan Marshall</i>		

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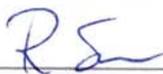
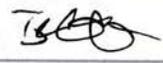
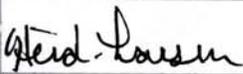
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Ron Snow			
Sequan Snow			
Heidi Larsen			
John DeTrange			

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Printed Name	Signature	Street Address	Comment
Paul Goldstein		[Redacted]	
Ruth Mc ot pher		[Redacted]	[Redacted]
Seth Gottlieb		[Redacted]	
Laurel Sevier		[Redacted]	
Vince Giraldo		[Redacted]	
NZEERA KETTER		[Redacted]	
TERENCE KETTER		[Redacted]	
Stuart Wilks		[Redacted]	
Ann Lambrecht		[Redacted]	
Melissa Jordan		[Redacted]	
Eric Van Stone		[Redacted]	
Susan Russell		[Redacted]	
Marit Sullivan		[Redacted]	
John Sullivan		[Redacted]	
KRISTI ELLOTT		[Redacted]	
Julia Purtell		[Redacted]	
Matt Sencenbaugh		[Redacted]	
Joanna Pohorille		[Redacted]	
ANDREW POHORILLE		[Redacted]	
Ying Shu Chen		[Redacted]	
He Blome		[Redacted]	

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Virginia Johnstone	<i>[Signature]</i>			
LANUN	<i>[Signature]</i>			
STEVENS	<i>[Signature]</i>			
MARK	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Jeanne Jensen	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Shea McIntyre	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Aida Murray	<i>[Signature]</i>			
David Tipton	<i>[Signature]</i>			
MARTHA DEEVE	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Cindy Tipton	<i>[Signature]</i>			Please approve!
NATE Gardner	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Evie Schiltz	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Dave Gildea	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Brian Schmidt	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Michael Mills	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Sue Miles	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Leah Rogers	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Greg Faris	<i>[Signature]</i>			
Carin Pacifico	<i>[Signature]</i>			about time!

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David Laitin		[REDACTED]	Yeah!
DELA LAITIN		[REDACTED]	
NICOLAS PETIT		[REDACTED]	
OZAN TURGUT		[REDACTED]	
Mindi Jones		[REDACTED]	
David Jones		[REDACTED]	
Julsam Cortella		[REDACTED]	
ROBERT MDS7		[REDACTED]	A GREAT
Michelle Gae		[REDACTED]	Thank you!!
David Gell		[REDACTED]	Thank you!
ANNE KLEIN		[REDACTED]	he Thanks
Steve LARRY		[REDACTED]	Thank you.
Jen Overholt		[REDACTED]	Thanks!
Daryl Camarillo		[REDACTED]	
Shelly Camarillo		[REDACTED]	
Ryan Robinson		[REDACTED]	
PATRICK WILSON		[REDACTED]	IMPORTANT!!
HOWARD FENN		[REDACTED]	Thanks.
AMAR TADL		[REDACTED]	
Jill Amstutz		[REDACTED]	we need this
CAROLE PATTON		[REDACTED]	

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ROBERTS MOLES	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>	[REDACTED]	
Phil Buckspan	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>		
LESLIE Zwiibel	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>		
Lakshmi Arunachalam	<i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>		I had an accident a few years ago, a lady was killed crossing the street.

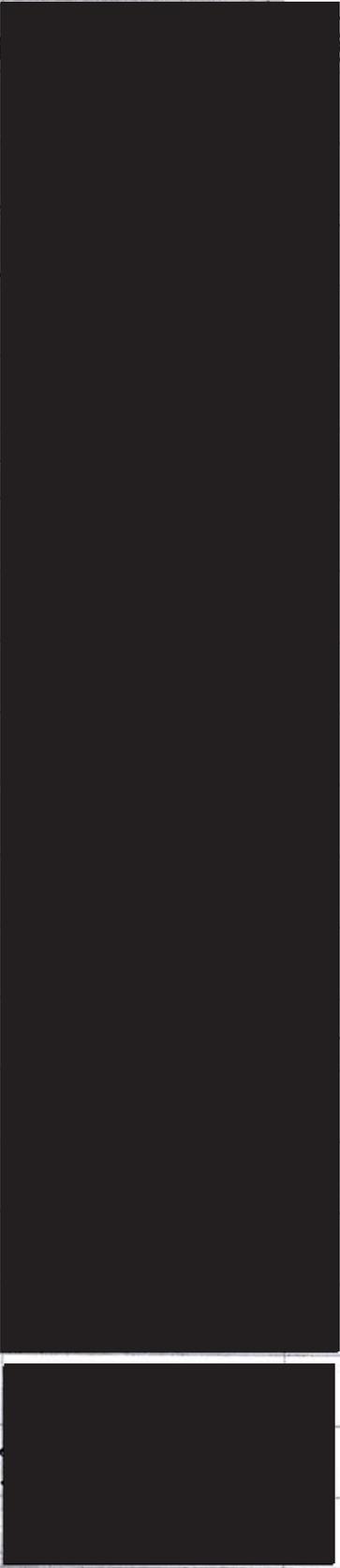
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BHASKAR MEHTA			
KASCO			
William Petrin			
Guy Lebranon			
Victoria Jordan			
Jim Cantello			
Michael Eldredge			
Chelsea Snow			
Kyle Dixon			
Will Weasar			
Carlin J Webster			
Andrea Haemmerl			
Kayn Andrews			
DAVID SCHINSKI			
Karen James			
Brad James			
Emily			
Doc Shinschowitz			
Wesley Rose			
Kathie Heibmann			
Sherine Saadati			

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Printed Name	Signature	Street Address	Comment
Andrew Grenier			
Kelly Hokenorth			
Elizabeth Kabalka			
Judd Tink			
Trish Fogarty			
Heather Yandle			
Linda Bonde			
Joanne Chan			
MARY ANN CUSEWY			
Rosalasio			
SHEILA SUN			
PATRYCIA NOWAK			
STANISLAW NOWAK			
Fred Wong			
Ann Weiss			
Hilda Crady			
JR, KR Crady			
Angela Robbiano			
Chris Hugg			
Steph...			
Xiaohang Tians			

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Michael Patton	<i>Michael Patton</i>		<i>Patton</i>
Ben Bird	<i>Ben Bird</i>		
Jenna Mendheim	<i>Jenna Mendheim</i>		
DAVID FELDMAN	<i>David Feldman</i>		
Sumbul Desai	<i>Sumbul Desai</i>		
Griff Berube	<i>Griff Berube</i>		
Andy Weisem	<i>Andy Weisem</i>		
Meredithisco	<i>Meredithisco</i>		
Eric Coy	<i>Eric Coy</i>		
Zachary	<i>Zachary</i>		
J.C. Wessel	<i>J.C. Wessel</i>		
Erin Wetzel	<i>Erin Wetzel</i>		
Fran Compagn	<i>Fran Compagn</i>		
Ardren Mary	<i>Ardren Mary</i>		
Katharine Mor	<i>Katharine Mor</i>		
William Westermann	<i>William Westermann</i>		
RAYNA LEHMAN	<i>Rayna Lehman</i>		
Konstantin Kostelov	<i>Konstantin Kostelov</i>		
William Nade	<i>William Nade</i>		
BENJAMIN	<i>Benjamin</i>		
Kieby Wilkins	<i>Kieby Wilkins</i>		

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Halle Hewitt	Halle Hewitt	[Redacted]	
JEFF LAZARUS	Jeff Lazarus		
RICH CLARKE	Rich Clarke		
CAROL CLARKE	Carol Clarke		
Debra Reif	Debra Reif		
Carolyn Jakow	C. Jakow		
BRIGITTE ESMAILZADEH	Brigitte Esmailzadeh		
JOSEPHINE DORVAL	Josephine Dorval		
Barbara O'Neil	Barbara O'Neil		
VAN SCHAADE	Carol Van Schaade		
	Patricia B. Penning		(Penning)
Sally Foster	Sally Foster	[Redacted]	
Ann Muller	Ann Muller		
Shirley Stewart	Shirley Stewart		
Francis Zavis	Francis Zavis		
MARTHA ESTRADA	Martha Estrada	[Redacted]	
Gwen Leonard	Gwen Leonard	[Redacted]	
Gayle DeWitt	Gayle DeWitt	[Redacted]	

Online Petition to Install Pedestrian Activated Crosswalk Traffic Light at Palo Alto Way

Name	Email	Street Address	Add Comment (optional)
James Lattin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Marilyn Lattin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	We use this crosswalk on a regular basis. It's very dangerous! It's a very busy street and we can wait a very long time for all cars to stop for a safe crossing. Often times, we will wait until there is no traffic either way because the signals at SandHill and Campo Bello have cars stopped. Amazing that this is in front of a Senior Housing Building and a bus stop and nothing has been done to improve safety.
Chris Tacklind	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Josephine Tang	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	My 11 year old daughter uses this 4+ lane crosswalk to on occasion. It's like she's the frog in the video game, Frogger. Cars just don't see her. The southbound cars are focusing on the Sand Hill traffic lights ahead and the northbound traffic is accelerating to get to their proper lane- Alameda or Santa Cruz. If the outside lane cars does stop, it's is common for the cars behind to change lanes to avoid the delay thereby driving right through the crosswalk on the inside lane. It's just a matter of time until someone gets hit.
Mark Greenbaum	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Briana	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Thomas Buch	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Hoping this will be done by the city. I don't cross there, but I see the problem every time I drive along Santa Cruz Ave.
Saadiya Zaki	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Kim Griffin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Susan H Russell	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	The County's long inaction is inexcusable. Act NOW to make this crosswalk safer!!
Isabelle Steiner	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Troy Hayes	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	I use this cross walk daily with my young sons and it is a nightmare. Please help!
Rob Berry	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	

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Name	Email	Street Address	Add Comment (optional)
Dror Shimshowitz	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Chris Bryant	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Kenji Kushida	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Steven Franklin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Jenny Brokaw	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Sara Shaw	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Hauke Schmidt	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Regine Schmidt	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Leslie Zwiebel, PhD	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Please implement the long overdue safety changes. ASAP. Thank you.
Zats Yuri	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Linda Bradley	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
lynn porter	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Christine K. Winkler	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	I understand that a few years ago a lady was struck & killed at this location. Palo Alto is a very narrow street & intersects with a heavily fast moving thoroughfare. Let's do something to make Palo Alto Way safer for pedestrians, bikers & cars entering & leaving this narrow road & outlet. Thank you
Juli Parker	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
monique lane	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Norma Chassin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Kristin Smith	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Melanie Austin	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	This group has done a superlative job outlining the problems and providing reasonable, doable solutions.

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Name	Email	Street Address	Add Comment (optional)
MASAMI HIRATA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] k	<p>The Safety advanced stop proposal that was shown is very good and necessary. I reside in the Pacific Hills Condo (2150 Santa Cruz Ave) and use this crosswalk daily and cannot tell you how many times my dog and I were almost hit by a car although we wait so many minutes for the street to be clear of cars. They just speed up from turning from the Sand Hill Rd. intersection and are not aware of the crosswalk. I also witness many seniors and elderly (the Menlo Commons Senior Condo is right in front of this crosswalk) use this multiple times a day. This advance stop mechanism will definitely provide safety as the crosswalk is needed for those that cannot walk so far between the Sand Hill/Santa Cruz intersection or the Alameda del las Pulgas/Santa Cruz intersection to cross Santa Cruz Ave. I am very much in favor of the advance stop lines, pedestrian-activated traffic light and strongly urge the city to take action and follow up on this matter to avoid losing anymore lives. I was not aware a girl had died here, this is heart breaking and I can see more accidents happen due to the daily crossings and near-miss I witness daily,</p>
Gail Sredanovic	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<p>This would be a good idea.</p>
Marie E Summers	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<p>I am a witness to the death of Atefeh "Amy" Bijan in this very crosswalk. I know firsthand the dangers of this intersection and will not allow my children to cross here until safety measures are in place. The county should be ashamed to have let so much time pass without a resolution.</p>
Gunter Steffen	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<p>The proposed measure needs to be implemented before the beginning of the school year this fall since automobile, bicycle and pedestrian traffic will increase significantly and, along with it, the safety risks to all concerned.</p>
Faith price	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Cindy Tipton	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<p>Dear Supervisor Don Horsley, Please follow through with SOME of these immediate and inexpensive safety improvements!--Cindy Tipton, 305 Stanford Ave.</p>
Jo-Anne Stenger	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	
Anamarie Franc	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	

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Name	Email	Street Address	Add Comment (optional)
Chris Jones			
M Schmajuk			
LizbethKing			please add crosswalk safety measures - Cars do not stop on their own
Deborah Bixler			
Sylvia Walker			
Sylvia Walker			
Sheila Santana			Please please please approve this!
Yvonne Schmidt			
Annika Ahonala			
CAROLYN ARKIN			Many children walk from La Entrada (via Sharon Road) or the Las Lomitas bus stop (at Clayton) in this area. Cars going southbound on Santa Cruz are often focused on the light at Sand Hill, and often speed up if the light is green. It is an extremely dangerous crosswalk as it stands.
Federico Politi			
Jeffrey Fenton			
Mrudula Penta			

ITEM NO. 15

Sukhmani Purewal

From: Suzanne Moore [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 7:46 PM
To: CMO_BoardFeedback
Subject: Item 15: Extension of eviction moratorium

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of San Mateo County. Unless you recognize the sender's email address and know the content is safe, do not click links, open attachments or reply.

Please support the recommendation of Governor Newsom to extend the eviction moratorium through September.

As the number of COVID positive cases again rise in our County, we can anticipate additional job and merchant losses due to closures. Tenant protection against an eviction during this pandemic protects us all.

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Suzanne Moore

[REDACTED]

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I urge you to support extending the eviction moratorium for renters in San Mateo County. The Covid-19 pandemic has caused enormous loss of life and economic devastation. It is important for the Board to provide a least some measure of safety to tenants who are unable to pay rent during this crisis. It will not help our county to increase the number of people who have been displaced from housing. Please vote for the moratorium extension. Thank you.

D, Gold
Pacifica