



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Raul Peralez

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 25, 2022

Approved

Date 5/25/22

RECOMMENDATION

Increase traffic calming measures within our city where we are seeing a high increase of unsafe driving behaviors.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: City-wide Traffic Calming

Amount of City Funding Required: \$1,000,000

This change is:

One-time 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.):

2021 was one of City’s deadliest years with 60 traffic fatalities and 2022 is trending towards the same or worse. Traffic safety infrastructure is one of the most effective means to decrease those numbers and increase safety throughout our city’s streets. Over the past year, we have been able to experience some success in residential neighborhoods where we have implemented, in concert with the community, some traffic calming measures. We have visibly seen slower speeds, reducing pedestrian risk, and increased sense of safety in those areas. However, the data and community conversations at a recent citywide Safer Streets Town Hall indicate that we still have more work to do. The additional funding proposed should be allocated towards identifying and equitably deploying traffic safety projects expeditiously to meet our Vision Zero goals. This should also ensure that there are sufficient staff resources or supplementary resources to implement these measures as quickly as possible.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

X Other (Please specify program/project/fund): General Fund

Department or Organization Contact

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