

Dear

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We recently received information from members of the Land Park Traffic Safety Committee and Slow Down Sacramento regarding a Caltrans-funded proposal to implement relatively low-cost modular mini-roundabouts in Sacramento. Our understanding is that these mini-roundabouts represent a significant improvement over traditional traffic circles, proving highly effective in reducing severe injuries and fatalities. As the neighborhood association representing Upper Land Park, our community looks to us to advocate for their safety.

Riverside Boulevard serves as a prominent thoroughfare in our area, boasting several child-friendly destinations such as Crocker-Riverside Elementary, William Land Park, and Vic's Ice Cream. Additionally, it experiences considerable traffic flow from Downtown and serves as a bypass around the 50 and I-5 interchange (accessible via 10th Street and Sutterville Rd. onramps/offramps). Unfortunately, we frequently observe vehicles exceeding the posted 30 mph speed limit, with existing traffic signals often appearing insufficient in managing the flow.

One specific intersection—Riverside Blvd. and Swanston Dr.—located within a school zone just a block away from Crocker Elementary, has tragically witnessed traffic fatalities in both 2014 and 2021. This intersection suffers from inadequate sightlines and is plagued by aggressive driving behaviors. We are eager to have intersection control measures implemented that prioritize the safety of our community's children and enhance the overall safety of our streets. Moreover, we are hopeful for a solution that can be installed in a timely manner, sparing our neighborhood from prolonged exposure to these risks.

We kindly request your consideration of our neighborhood for inclusion in the proposed grant project. Your support in addressing these pressing safety concerns would be greatly appreciated by the residents of Upper Land Park.

Sincerely:



Kobi Sonoyama, President

Representing the unanimous Board of Upper Land Park Neighbors

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