

COUNCILMEMBER JOE LACAVA FIRST COUNCIL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

February 24, 2022

TO:

Jorge Riveros, Director, Transportation Department

FROM:

Councilmember Joe LaCava

SUBJECT:

Pedestrian Safety on mid-block crossing of Torrey Pines Road,

northeasterly of La Jolla Parkway

I respectfully request the following improvements to the existing flashing beacons pedestrian mid-block crosswalk at 2552 Torrey Pines Road, 92037:

- 1. Install streetlights on Torrey Pines Road at both ends of the crosswalk.
- 2. Install additional "Ped Xing" warning signs and on-street markings to alert motorists approaching the crosswalk from both directions.
- 3. Replace the existing pedestrian activated flashing crosswalk signs with
 - a. Preferred: a high-intensity activated crosswalk beacon, or HAWK, similar to the one on Torrey Pines Road at Princess Street.
 - b. Alternative: replace existing ones with newer ones like those on La Jolla Blvd and Mission Blvd that have more and larger lights on the signs.
- 4. Currently, a pedestrian can only activate one set of flashing signs from the curb and must activate the other side upon reaching the pedestrian refuge in the median. Evaluate whether a single push activates the flashing signs facing both directions with a single activation with timing adjusted accordingly.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to working with the Department.

cc: Jessica Lawrence, Director of Policy, Office of the Mayor Jay Goldstone, Chief Operating Officer