

## COUNCILMEMBER JOE LACAVA FIRST COUNCIL DISTRICT

## MEMORANDUM

DATE:

April 26, 2022

TO:

Mayor Todd Gloria

FROM:

Councilmember Joe LaCava

SUBJECT:

Council District 1 Priorities: Vision Zero

In October 2015, the City of San Diego became a Vision Zero City, adopting a goal to reach zero traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2025.

The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides significant new funding for programs to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. The new Safe Streets and Roads for All discretionary program will provide \$5-6 billion in grants over the next five years to cities, counties, and other governmental entities and the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside program nearly doubles funding from \$850 million to an average annual amount of \$1.44 billion from 2022 through 2026. These funds provide a critical tool for San Diego to improve safety and accessibility for all and to implement Vision Zero goals.

I propose the following projects for submission for federal funding to improve safety and access for people walking and biking in District One:

- Installation of a mid-block Pedestrian hybrid Beacon (HAWK) at 2552 Torrey Pines Road as approved by Transportation Department.
- Completion of Class II buffered bike lanes or Class IV bike lanes on North Torrey
  Pines Road and Torrey Pines Road to ensure continuous, safe biking facilities to
  connect from the University of San Diego California campus to Pearl Street in the
  Village neighborhood of La Jolla. This is a frequently used north/south corridor in
  District 1 where no fewer than 13 serious injury and 3 fatal collisions occurred
  between 2014 and 2021 according to the City's Vision Zero website. Specifically, I
  request:
  - Upgrading existing Class II buffered bike lanes to Class IV bike lanes on North Torrey Pines Road between Genesee Avenue and La Jolla Village Drive,
  - Completing Class II buffered bike lanes on Torrey Pines Road between La Jolla Village Drive and La Jolla Parkway, and

- Completing Class II buffered bike lanes on Torrey Pines Road between Prospect Place and Girard Avenue.
- A redesign of the intersections of Sorrento Valley Boulevard with Roselle Street and Sorrento Valley Road based on a design and safety assessment. This corridor is a major north/south recreational bike route that is frequently used, yet cyclists often go through the train station to cross the tracks to avoid the wide and confusing intersection.

Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Adrian Granda, Director of Government Affairs, Mayor Todd Gloria Walt Bishop, Deputy Director of Government Affairs Jessica Lawrence, Policy Director, Mayor Todd Gloria Randy Wilde, Senior Policy Advisor, Mayor Todd Gloria

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