

# OLD NORTH DAVIS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Mike Webb, City Manager  
City of Davis

Dear Mike,

I write seeking assistance from you and your team to address an issue of increasing concern to residents in our area. It seems that traffic speeds have increased dramatically on B Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets. We understand that this may also be an issue in many other parts of the community, but we have special concerns for B Street at 7<sup>th</sup> Street which is adjacent to King High School and the Senior Center. After a request, the Police Department responded promptly with placement of a trailer which digitally reports speeds to drivers. This seemed to have an initial moderating effect, but the trailer has since been relocated.

We note that the A Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street intersection recently had a four-way stop installed. We don't presume to know if that is an appropriate response to B Street traffic speeds, but we do request that alternatives to address this issue be considered with some urgency. We are hopeful that alternatives such as a four-way stop, a permanent digital speed measurement sign, speed humps, increased enforcement and other measures to address this can be analyzed so we understand what the best strategy may be (and importantly why some may not be effective).

Our residents on F Street have also reported increasing speeds and vehicles ignoring pedestrian right of way/failure to yield at the newly installed crosswalks across F Street at 6<sup>th</sup> and at 7<sup>th</sup>. A recent incident on F Street where a car crashed into a construction storage trailer is but another example. As you may know, our Lyda Williams memorial garden at 617 E Street was developed for a long-time resident who was struck on F Street.

I fully recognize you are juggling many issues in these times, but since this issue is interdepartmental with at least Police and Public Works as participants I thought it best to address this to the maestro who can best engage other members of the band.

All the best,

John Meyer  
President, Old North Davis Neighborhood Association