

PUBLIC COMMENT

MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION MEETING

November 15, 2022

Action Item No. 3

From:	Rex
Sent:	Wednesday, November 9, 2022 10:51 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Subject:	Comment regarding the Fair Oaks Avenue traffic modifications

Hi Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission,

This e-mail is a comment on the Fair Oaks Avenue Project (<u>https://cityhallscoop.com/2022/11/09/traffic-operations-improvements-fair-oaks-avenue-project/</u>).

I am a resident of South Pasadena who resides near Fair Oaks Avenue. I cross Fair Oaks Ave. daily while taking my child to Marengo elementary school. It is a dangerous street due to the high volume of traffic.

I do not support the removal of bulb-outs on Fair Oaks Avenue. Safety is my primary concern, so any possible changes to the bulb-outs needs to be carried out to preserve or even improve safety.

Thank you, Rex Feng

South Pasadena, CA 91030

From:	Samuel Zneimer
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 7:51 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Subject:	Agenda item 3 - curb extensions removal

Hello MTIC Chair and Commissioners,

I wanted focus on 1 element of item 3 the curb extensions removal. It disappoints me again to see that projects once again favor vehicle throughput to safety of our most vulnerable users. There is no guidance manual from any agency that will tell you removal curb exercise will improve pedestrian safety. This project will make pedestrians less safe walking on Fair Oaks, period. This project will increase vehicles miles traveled and increase the number of trips through the corridor and in South Pasadena.

I'm hoping to see MTIC reason for safety of people over car passing through our city. Caring about vehicle over people, in an era of Vision Zero and Safe Systems approach, we are regressive. It's truly sad that we are making our community less safe as the years go on. Every small street improvement pales in comparison to how many potential incidents we will have on our busiest corridor.

To add this report and this community outreach is an insult to magnitude of the spend and impact.

- There are zero designs on what trimming or modifications will be
- The flyer touts pedestrians safety but there is no question this will make pedestrians less safe
- No safety report providing information on where and the number of collisions
- No discussion of how safety was evaluated or curb extensions selected for removal
- No discussion on increased daily traffic or vehicle miles traveled
- No discussion of time saving or delay reduce (in actual time)
- No cost benefit ratio
- Limited discussion of what grant funds you will purse

I can't reiterate this enough, as a transportation professional and advocate for safety the idea of removing and not improving of these curb extensions is dishesrting and dangerous. As we continue to be regressive in our approach to safety, know that the next pedestrian injury and death is of our own making. I hold out hope MTIC can hold firm to ideas of improving safety.

Thanks, Sam Zneimer

From:	Olga Lexell
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 10:26 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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[YOUR NAME]

Best, Alex

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From:	Austin Phung
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 11:06 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
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Austin

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 11:08 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: Let's Make Fair Oaks Safer for People, Not Faster For Cars

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

South Pasadena is a beautiful place and should focus on making Fair Oaks safer for people, not faster for cars.

That's why I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe by removing bulb outs and other car-focused measures.

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Andy Giefer Walker, Runner, Biker, and Driver LA County Resident

From:	Michael Siegel
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 11:09 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Jon Primuth; Michael Cacciotti; Evelyn Zneimer; Jack Donovan;
	Diana Mahmud
Subject:	Item 3: Fair Oaks Improvements

MTIC and Councilmembers:

As a resident and someone who enjoys our small-town character, please look to making our streets safer, and not pushing for quicker car throughput. There is a lot on the table on Fair Oaks improvements, one of them is removing the bulbouts. Is the bulbout design perfect? No, however, very minor modifications could be made to make them more visible which keeping them in place. Study after study shows that bulbouts are absolutely better for pedestrian safety. Why waste all that money putting them in and put in a ton more money to remove them, when the right thing to do is keep them with minor work to make them even better?

I also am a little shocked that we are trying to make right on red faster. Right on Red is also extremely dangerous for pedestrians. Berkeley just banned right on red, and the LA Times just had an article Sunday about why the City of LA should ban them too. Yet the staff report calls out needing to potentially remove bulbouts to make right on red easier.

I've heard most councilmembers and commissioners also talk about needing to keep South Pasadena's small-town character. I ask you, is a Fair Oaks that is 6 lanes wide with speeding cars, with the ability to quickly make right turns adding to our small-town character??? Or is walking down our small tree-lined streets, attending the farmers market and walking near the picturesque library what does it? Creating infrastructure to make it easier to get to the farmers market by foot is what adds to our small-town feeling.

Movies and TV shows often film in our town to show that small-town character for Every Town USA. Have they ever once filmed on Fair Oaks showing cars flying down the street? Embrace what makes our town great, truly make our city the walking paradise it could be.

Mike Siegel

From:	Kelly Wright
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Pasadena is a wonderful, walkable, and bikeable city. Having more personal infrastructure for your residents makes our streets safer. Having more cars makes our streets unsafe.

Kelly Wright, MD

From:	Esme Germaine Snow Reyna
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Michael Massei Pedestrian

via Android

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From:	Amin El Gamal
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 12:10 PM
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Thank you, Amin El Gamal LA, 90026

From:	Nathan Sheets
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 12:12 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!
Importance:	High

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission --

I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe for cyclists, and pedestrians both residents and visitors to our beautiful city.

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Nathan Sheets (Area resident)



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Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 12:28 PM
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From:	Mariana Huerta
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 12:30 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Subject:	Item #3: OPPOSE Bulb-out Modification Proposal

Dear MTIC members,

I am writing to convey my strong opposition to South Pasadena staff recommendations to remove bulb outs along Fair Oaks Avenue.

I am outraged that the City would consider spending millions of tax dollars to remove proven pedestrian safety measures that make South Pasadena sidewalks and roads SAFER and more walkable for people of all ages. Hundreds of youth walking to and from SP middle school and to businesses along Fair Oaks depend on these road safety designs to be independent and walk safely in their neighborhood. Removing bulb outs will take away that safety measure, and by default, their ability to walk independently. My young children will be walking along Fair Oaks to SPMS in a few years and it would be terrifying to know that their ability to safely walk along South Pasadena streets was taken away by our City leaders who thought it made sense to waste tax payer dollars on moving cars faster instead of making our streets safer for everyone.

I urge the city to invest in getting people OUT OF THEIR CARS through alternatives to driving including making Fair Oaks truly multi modal by adding protected bike lanes, bus-only lanes, and increasing safe road design.

Best, Mariana Huerta Jones and Adam Jones

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Grace Peng
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 12:35 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE changes to Fair Oaks that make it less safe

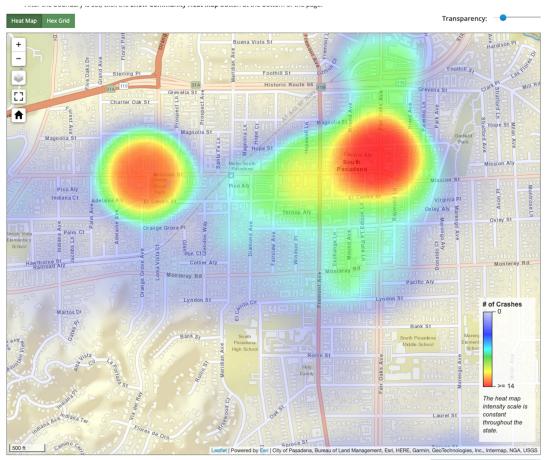
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Fair Oaks is a very wide and busy street. Crossing it within the allotted pedestrian signal time is already difficult for the mobility-impaired. Bulb outs reduce the distance, and make vulnerable road users safer.

The proof is right in front of us. I looked up South Pasadena in the Transportation Injury Mapping System <u>https://tims.berkeley.edu/tools/atp/</u>

The bulb outs were installed around 2010. Between 2011 and 2021, Fair Oaks Ave has seen fewer pedestrian and cyclist injuries and deaths than the narrower Mission St. **This is a good indication that traffic calming elements on Fair Oaks are working. Stay the course.**



Since Covid, there has been an increase in injuries on Fair Oaks, and in the whole region. Do not allow cars to pick up speed while making right turns. This only increases the severity of injury and the risk of death to pedestrians.

I live in Redondo Beach, where the death of a 13 year old girl at an unsafe intersection cost our city \$33 Million in a wrongful death lawsuit. No amount of money will make that family whole again. And our city coffers suffer as well due to sharply increased insurance premiums. As a mother and daughter (to a mobility-impaired senior), I am begging you to improve, not remove pedestrian safety infrastructure.

The \$11 M in Caltrans funding could pay for pedestrian scramble signal timing changes. This would temporally separate vulnerable road users and cars/trucks in the intersections. This would facilitate vehicle turns and improve safety. Do this instead.

Grace Peng, PhD

PS I concur with the Streets For All recommendations below

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From:	Joey Gawor
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 1:03 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

You may eventually recognize this template. And while you may try to minimize the words because you've seen them before, the sentiment still stands and needs to be taken seriously. Not everyone has the time, energy, or skill to articulate their opinions on these issues. But these voices deserve to be heard. Pasadena is a place for people not vehicles. So please read on and familiarize yourself with why so many oppose this nonsense use of funds.

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[YOUR NAME]

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Thank you,

Paul Des Marais

From:	Eric Turner
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 1:46 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe. I have two young kids and often walk with them along Fair Oaks.

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Thank you. Eric Turner

From:	Jennifer Ho
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 2:53 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Pubic Comment: OPPOSE making Fair Oaks less safe w/ federal
	dollars (Item #3)

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission,

I'm a local resident writing to ask you to <u>reject staff's recommendation to use federal dollars</u> to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe. Instead, I urge you to allocate these federal dollars to building true multimodal streets in the neighborhood.

The current proposal has **many flaws**, for example:

- The vast majority of funds are proposed to be spent on cars new signals, new turn lanes, new traffic monitoring cameras none of these expensive items will help the residents of South Pasadena get out of cars, which are the single biggest source of greenhouse gas emissions in California.
- The proposal asks to REMOVE pedestrian bulb outs on Fair Oaks Ave even though pedestrian bulb outs are a proven safety element that help save lives by enabling pedestrians to spend less time in the street when crossing. Removing them is contrary to every possible best safety practice.

I ask that you reject these staff recommendations and build a new plan that builds a true multi modal street. The ~\$11M coming from the canceled 710 North project should be used to **improve transportation for <u>all</u> modes in South Pasadena**.

Here are some ideas to help get started:

- Add protected bike lanes, which goes towards implementing the city's bike plan
- Add more **pedestrian improvements**
- Consider **bus-only lanes** in the city

Given an average trip of only 3 miles, building safe alternatives to the car will create diversified modes of transportation for residents - leading to many benefits: **better public health outcomes and improvement in traffic, air quality, and safety**.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Jennifer H.

From:	HowTheWest Was Saved
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 3:20 PM
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Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
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From:	Karen S. Canady
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 4:08 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe. This street is a critical arterial for every mode of transportation and access to businesses in South Pasadena, yet speeding traffic and poor infrastructure design makes it very unsafe, especially for those who reduce traffic congestion by using other modes, such as biking or walking/transit.

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Karen Canady

Los Angeles resident and

Patron of South Pasadena businesses

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Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 5:47 PM
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Thomas Neuberger

South Pasadena, CA 91030

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 6:23 PM
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Sincerely, John Lloyd

From:	Allen N
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 7:11 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal
	dollars!

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Allen N

From:	Mayumi Fukushima
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 7:52 PM
То:	Michael Cacciotti; Evelyn Zneimer; Jack Donovan; Diana Mahmud;
	MTIC Public Comments
Subject:	Item 3 Fair Oak Improvements

Dear MTIC and Councilmembers:

I am writing to oppose the removal of bulbouts on Fair Oaks. Whenever I need to cross Fair Oaks, I watch for cars to make sure they stop and then I look again to make sure nobody is turning as I cross the street. As a pedestrian, I am always on guard and watching to make sure cars are slowing down. I think removing bulbouts would encourage more speed on turns and would endanger pedestrians. Efficiency for cars is not necessary.

Please keep the bulbouts and increase pedestrian safety - I would love to see scrambled crosswalks or even a shared street (woonerf) on smaller streets like El Centro. I think the City of South Pasadena could be a true visionary in street safety for cyclists and pedestrians but this is moving in the wrong direction.

thanks! Mayumi Fukushima

From:	332smarengo
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 9:16 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
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Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S8, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

From:	Josh Graybill
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 9:42 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
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Josh Graybill

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Brandon Crawford
Sent:	Monday, November 14, 2022 10:46 PM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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Thank You,

Brandon Crawford (he/him)

From:	:D
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 7:31 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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Ross Rivas

From:	Adry Hezekiah
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 7:32 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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South Pasadena is a city full of walkers*, especially children who walk to and from school - we need to ensure roads are truly safe and accessible for all and not just altered to speed up vehicular traffic. (*and many would-be bicyclists, my two teenagers who attended SPMS & SPHS included, who are understandably too scared of being hit by cats to attempt riding around town.)

- Adry Furchtgott

From:	Philipp Knopf
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 8:49 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe for anyone but cars

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

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Just calling mission st a bike route is not enough to get more people out of cars. There are a lot of opportunities to make our roads safer for everyone. Cars are not the solution.

Sincerely, Philipp Knopf

From:	John Perry
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 9:34 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe!

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I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

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John Perry Pasadena, CA

From:	Michael McDonald
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 9:56 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission,

We share a common goal of making our city a safer and more connected community, but I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

The \$11M is coming from the canceled 710 North project; *instead, the funds should be used to improve transportation for all modes in South Pasadena.*

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Thank you,

Michael McDonald, AIA, NCARG

From:	Wesley Chuang
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 10:14 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission,

As a car-free pedestrian, biker, transit rider, and concerned citizen, I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

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Sincerely, Wesley T Chuang

From:	Jackson F
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 10:26 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal
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Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

I vehemently oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

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Jackson Finnerman Westridge School employee Pasadena Resident of 30+ years

From:	Kaly
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 11:01 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal
	dollars!

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Kaly Trezos

From:	Nick Hawthorne
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 11:12 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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Thank you for your time, Nicholas Hawthorne

From:	Delia E. Arriaga
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 11:26 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Jon Primuth; Leaonna Dewitt; Ted Gerber
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission -

As a resident of South Pasadena, a city planning professional, and a pedestrian advocate, I strongly oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe. It is completely unacceptable to take steps backward when we should be moving away from car dependency to address the climate crisis.

The \sim \$11M is coming from the canceled 710 North project; instead, the funds should be used to improve transportation for all modes in South Pasadena, especially active modes and alternatives to cars.

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Delia Arriaga South Pasadena Resident UCLA MURP

From:	Emilio Oliveira
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 11:50 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: Please don't use federal funds to make Fair Oaks less safe

Dear South Pasadena Mobility and Transportation Infrastructure Commission,

I oppose your staff's recommendation to use federal dollars to make Fair Oaks Ave less safe.

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I am particularly interested in creating additional biking infrastructure like protected bike lanes around the city. As a new resident with small children, I want them to be able to learn to ride their bikes and get around town in safety.

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Sincerely,

Emilio Oliveira

South Pasadena, CA 91030

From:	Ethan Kaplan
Sent:	Tuesday, November 15, 2022 11:54 AM
То:	MTIC Public Comments
Cc:	Ted Gerber; Leaonna Dewitt; Jon Primuth
Subject:	Item 3: I OPPOSE you making Fair Oaks less safe using federal dollars!

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