



**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
**MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE**  
**COMMISSION MEETING**  
**October 19, 2021**

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**From:** Bill Michels  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 13, 2021 3:20 PM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Public Comments for MTIC - October meeting

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Thanks for your consideration.  
Bill Michels

**From:** JOSEFINA LEON ·  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 13, 2021 4:43 PM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Arroyo Drive - south pasadena

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**From:** Susi Pettersson  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 8:33 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Arroyo Drive

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Hello,

I want to ask that you prioritize Arroyo Drive in South Pasadena for the Slow Streets Program. I live on a neighboring street, and I love to walk my dog in this beautiful neighborhood on Arroyo Drive. Unfortunately, there are many cars and motorcycles that are driving over the speed limit every time I am there. Because there is a large stretch with no sidewalks and speeding vehicles, this is very dangerous for pedestrians.

**Please** consider Arroyo Drive for the Slow Streets Program.

Thank you,  
Susi Pettersson

**From:** John Pettersson  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 10:19 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Oct. MTIC Public Meeting - RE: Slow Streets Program

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To whom it may concern,

Please find below my comment for the next MTIC meeting:

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Thank you,

John Pettersson  
626.318.5260

**From:** Danny Johnson  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 11:11 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Arroyo Drive and South Pasadena Slow Streets program

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Hi. My family are long-time residents of South Pasadena. We live at 304 Arroyo Drive which has been our home for 15 years.

We have been petitioning the Mayor, City Council, and anyone else who would listen and could help, for a new vision for Arroyo Drive. We have not had any results and it has been an enormously frustrating experience as a South Pasadena resident.

**Please take these comments into consideration for Arroyo Drive's inclusion into the Slow Streets Program.**

- Arroyo Drive speed limit is 35 mph. However, we routinely see automobiles recklessly speeding at 50 mph and up. This creates a scary and dangerous situation for residents backing out of driveways (especially as the road curves, presenting significant blindspots) and walking and biking on Arroyo.
- Arroyo Drive is THE place that people travel to for biking, walking, jogging, dog walking, and other recreational activities. Every day there are people parked on the street enjoying time outdoors, but the unregulated street and high speed limit minimize the value of this asset by creating uncomfortable proximity to speeding vehicles.
- Personally, we have had two vehicles sideswiped while parked on the street. This is a reflection of the dangers of cars using Arroyo Drive as a mini-freeway. We've had to install gates to prevent our children from riding their bikes down the driveway into the street because of this danger.
- Many areas of Arroyo Drive, unlike Grand Avenue, do not have sidewalks which heightens the danger on the street.
- Other streets already under consideration, like Grand Avenue, have sidewalks the entire length of the street and the speed limit is 25 mph. There is no improvement that needs to be made on this street given it is already safe and secure. Arroyo Drive is much more dangerous.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Danny Johnson  
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**From:**  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 11:39 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Arroyo Drive Safety

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I am a resident very near Arroyo Drive and I ask that you consider prioritizing Arroyo Drive in the South Pasadena Slow Streets Program. Between Sterling and Columbia there is a beautiful stretch that is actively used by residents - walking dogs, pushing strollers, jogging, biking, and generally enjoying the park-like area.

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**From:** Weta Mathies  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 1:01 PM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Speed on Arroyo Drive

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We agree with comments from Bill Michels and Danny Johnson concerning speed of cars on Arroyo Drive. It brings great danger to all those involved. Dr. and Mrs Allen Mathies

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Anne Michels  
**Sent:** Friday, October 15, 2021 5:36 PM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Public comments

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Hello, I would like to add my public comments re: safe streets in South Pasadena.

Arroyo Drive in South Pasadena is a beautiful residential street. Many people walk their dogs, ride scooters or bikes, and run on the street. There are very few sidewalks, and many many cars speed. I walk my dog on a Arroyo Drive every day.

Drivers use our South Pasadena streets to cut through from the 210 freeway down to the 110 freeway and vice versa. Starting at about 6 AM, numerous cars will be going between 45 and 65 miles an hour. This is very dangerous for all of the pedestrians who walk, bike, scooter or run in the road. Please help to make the speed on our street slower and to keep our pedestrians and our pets safe! Thank you very much.

Anne Michels

**From:** Stacy Sharkey  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 16, 2021 10:12 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Fwd: Public Comments for MTIC - October meeting

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> Thanks for your consideration.

> Stacy Sharkey

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**From:** Ann Rector  
**Sent:** Monday, October 18, 2021 9:32 AM  
**To:** MTIC Public Comments  
**Subject:** Public Comment 10/19/2021

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Good evening MTIC Commission:

My name is Ann Rector and I own a home at 217 Orange Grove Ave. in South Pasadena. I am commenting again to emphasize the importance of a traffic study on Orange Grove Ave. between Columbia St. and the 110 Freeway. (approximately one-quarter of a mile)

Orange Grove Ave. between Columbia St. and the 110 Freeway continues to be dangerous. The new traffic signs are appreciated; however, drivers continue to speed and crash in front of my family's properties. We own two homes side-by-side. I have personally seen 3 accidents in the last few weeks. I called 911 the week of Oct. 11 because the two drivers were arguing outside their crashed cars, blocking all traffic going South.

Illegal freight trucking is also a major concern. I saw 2 huge 18-wheel freight trucks this morning within 15 minutes of each other, heading South on Orange Grove Ave.

Thank you for your continued efforts to improve the safety of Orange Grove Ave.

Regards,  
Ann Rector