

**TRAFFIC CALMING COMMUNITY MEETING**  
**Council District 1 -- Comments**  
**October 30, 2007**  
**Cypress Senior Community Center**

1. City needs to provide information and responses in a timely matter. A traffic report was completed 60 days ago for the Blackford NAC, but no responses or implementations have happened since.
2. Preferred traffic calming devices and measures are speed lumps, police enforcement, NASCOP and traffic circles. The chicanes on Eden Ave do not work. Cars are speeding down the middle of the street. Chicanes also created parking problems and landscaping is not well maintained.
3. City should consider speed tables. It is cheap, friendly to bicyclists and pedestrians.
4. Seek legislation to bring NASCOP back.
5. Convert NASCOP into warning program. Most attendees agreed this is a good idea, but, police enforcement to give out citations is just as important. However, one person indicated that the City should use data and implement measures that will work. Don't rely on people's perceptions on what they think will work.
6. Police enforcement is the answer. Every police officer needs to get involved in traffic enforcement, no matter which division they are in. Increase police enforcement around schools especially during the first week of school. For example, around San Jose City College. Enforcement is the best solution. Need to figure out how to get people's attention. Best locations for enforcement are on Winchester Blvd., Quito Rd. and at Payne/Phelps. Enforce the laws that are in the books. Issue tickets! (4)
7. Most people agreed that there should be special policy and/or exemption nears schools, parks and community centers. However, one person indicated residential neighborhood streets are just as important as the others.
8. Winchester NAC indicated reducing speeding and cut through traffic on Eden Ave. is the SNI's new number one priority. City needs to listen to the neighbors to push traffic back on to major roadways.
9. Fully fund traffic calming program and revised policy to lower the threshold to 2% to qualify for physical devices.
10. Speed radar display signs are very effective. City should obtain more grant money to install these signs. Or, allow partnership with the neighborhood to fund the signs.

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11. Create a partnership with schools to address parking issues and educate parents to drive safely.
12. Educate students where to cross the street. They are often jaywalking and have a don't care attitude.
13. Many attendees indicated they preferred physical devices over hiring more police as the need is 24/7.
14. Think outside the box. For example, use non-sworn staff and volunteers to do office and paper work to free up Police to do other work.
15. RDA spent too much money on supplementing businesses. City should eliminate any subsidies and use the money for what people want; ie. traffic calming & enforcement.
16. The downtown couplet conversion to convert one way street into two is a good way to slow traffic.
17. Sell Old City Hall to get funds for maintenance and other uses.
18. Drop speed limit to 15mph around schools.
19. Seek regional cooperation with all cities, schools and work together to address issues.
20. Would like City to tell neighborhood what the solutions are, since they are the experts. Don't seek neighborhood's feedback, which may not work.
21. Look at what other cities are doing for traffic calming. For example, City of Saratoga, installed some signs and devices to prevent cut through traffic near Quito Rd.
22. Need to make bicycle facilities safe.
23. Bicyclists need to obey the laws too, at stop signs and signals, and do not use sidewalk.
24. Address specific traffic concerns:
  - a) All-way stop sign was recently installed at Cypress/Judro., but it is not safe due to motorist fail to yield to pedestrians.
  - b) Address speeding concern on Cypress Ave. Pedestrians are afraid to cross the street to the senior center.
  - c) Address cut through and speeding concerns on Eden Ave.
  - d) Increased cut through traffic on S. Monroe St. near Baywood Ave. Install speed bumps similar to City of Campbell.
  - e) Cut through traffic concerns on Manzanita Dr.
  - f) Address cut through traffic on Flora Ave. near Barrymore Dr.