

Peninsula Community Planning Board
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Date: December 27, 2022

TO: Dr. Jennifer Campbell, Councilmember District 2

INFO: Gary Pence, Senior Traffic Engineer City of San Diego Transportation and Storm Water Dept

RE: Stop sign installation request for Voltaire at Soto or Bolinas or Guizot

Due to increased urgency in traffic safety concerns communicated from community members who live along Voltaire, The Peninsula Community Board and community members would like to advocate for the installation of a stop sign along Voltaire and Soto or Bolinas or Guizot. They have been experiencing cars speeding through this area and would like to request a stop sign to be installed in the area.

Additionally, the PCPB would request the city of San Diego Traffic and Transportation Department to consider reviewing the stretch of Voltaire in between Froude and Catalina and reduce the speed from 30 mph to 25 mph. In October 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 43 (Friedman) into law. This bill allows cities to consider the safety of vulnerable road users and its Vision Zero goals when setting speed limits on streets with a history of collisions, with special attention to places where people are more likely to walk and bike. This should address local community member's concerns such as a lack of stop signs along Voltaire Street, vehicle high speeds, several near misses between pedestrians and vehicles observed by community members living along Voltaire Street. The letter was approved with a vote of 9-3.

Thank you for your support and time and consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,



Frederick Kosmo,
PCPB-Chair

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February 16, 2023

City Councilmember Dr. Jennifer Campbell
 202 C Street, 10th Floor
 San Diego, CA 92101

CC: Gary Pence
 Senior Traffic Engineer
 City of San Diego

Subject: Letter from Voltaire Street homeowners recommending
 against new stop sign along Voltaire corridor

Dear Dr. Campbell,

I am writing to share a concern regarding the recent Peninsula Community Planning Board's non-unanimous ruling recommending a stop sign along Voltaire at Soto or Bolinas or Guizot. As a homeowner as well as a Professional Civil Engineer, I have basic traffic engineering familiarity for arriving at following opinions, however, note that traffic engineering is not my specialty.

In my opinion, a stop sign installation at one of the aforementioned locations would significantly impede the flow of traffic along Voltaire's residential corridor between Froude and Catalina. This residential corridor is vital to connecting Voltaire's lower and upper business district. A stop sign would likely result in traffic congestion causing a constant eyesore for community members who live along Voltaire and disrupt pulling into and out of private driveways. Voltaire's residential corridor is similar to Chatsworth's residential corridor—that corridor is located between the Voltaire/Chatsworth and Rosecrans/Lytton intersections and connects Voltaire's upper business district to Liberty Station and Midway. Please note that no stop signs occur along that corridor.

In agreement with the PCPB, I have safety concerns for the current situation along Voltaire. Vehicles are often driven at high speeds, and I witness a significant crash along the subject stretch of Voltaire approximately every six months, sometimes involving more than two cars. However, instead of a stop sign installation, my number one recommendation would be to consider periodic speed limit enforcement. Based on the high number of apparent offenders, I suspect the revenue earned by traffic tickets would outweigh the operational costs of speed enforcement.

Secondary recommendations in lieu of stop signs would be to consider installing speed humps and/or radar speed displays. This measure would be consistent with the Chatsworth corridor, which has radar speed displays. Lastly, it is suggested to consider lowering the speed limit to 25 MPH (understood to currently be 30 MPH), however, adjusting the speed limit alone without enforcement would likely be insufficient to address the currently safety situation along Voltaire.

After discussing this important matter with two of my immediate neighbors also living along the Voltaire corridor, they have offered to sign this letter as a show of support. If-needed, I'm confident further support could be gathered from other community members who live along Voltaire. Lastly, I have just sent a letter concerning the same to the PCPB to ensure that I'm aware of any future meeting discussing this matter.


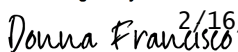

Please don't hesitate to contact with any questions or comments.

Thank you,
 -Nicholas Reindel, P.E.

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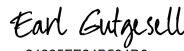


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