

July 14, 2018

City of Placerville

Attn.: Cleve Morris, City Manager and Mayor Wendy Thomas

3101 Center Street

Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Petition for Speed Control on Clay Street

Dear Mr. Morris and Ms. Thomas,

We are residents and neighbors who routinely use Clay Street for residential access and are extremely concerned about the hazard of speeding that constantly takes place on this street in both directions. Backing out of driveways, walking across the street, the presence of children and pets all represent a continual accident threat due to speeding. There have been several accidents at Franklin and Clay Street from cars heading downhill toward Mosquito too fast. The 25 mph speed limit is regularly violated, often exceeding 40 mph. The City has heard this complaint many times over the years. A few times, these complaints resulted in police patrols on a short term basis, but there has been no lasting solution.

We are petitioning the City of Placerville to follow the lead of Sacramento in dealing with similar neighborhood problems, and to install speed humps / speed tables at multiple locations across Clay Street between Mosquito Road and Main Street. These traffic calming measures are less abrupt than narrower speed bumps and have proven effectiveness at reducing speed. The City has installed speed tables for similar reasons around El Dorado High School.

Three general locations on Clay Street would be:

- 1) Between Mosquito Road and Pennsylvania Ct.
- 2) Between Pennsylvania Ct. and the Senior Apartments
- 3) Between Senior Apartments and Main Street

Speeding is a serious problem on Clay Street today. It would be even worse if there was a wider Clay Street bridge and more traffic in the future. Please ensure the safety of this Placerville neighborhood by providing speed control. The relationship of Highway 50 to this speeding problem may make this project eligible for funding through Caltrans.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reply to Jennifer Chapman, coordinator for Friends of Clay Street, 2701 Clay Street, Placerville CA 95667, jenchapman415@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

FRIENDS OF CLAY STREET

(See names, addresses, and signatures on petition support pages attached)

cc: via email:

Caltrans District 3, State Assemblyman Frank Bigelow, State Senator Ted Gaines, County Supervisor Brian Veerkamp, Placerville City Council Members, Chief Ortega Placerville Police Department