

## Dangerous Intersections

Druid Hills

Kensington Road & Haywood Rd. (Hwy 191)

Orleans Ave & Haywood Rd. (Hwy 191)

My name is Elizabeth Duffey. I live in Druid Hills on Kensington Road and own a rental home on Orleans Avenue, also in Druid Hills. While listening to WTZQ, I learned that Mayor Volk, a fellow Druid Hills resident, was interested in reviewing all dangerous intersections in Hendersonville at the next City Council Meeting. I wanted to take this opportunity to express concern about two of them that are on the periphery of our neighborhood that have directly affected my family's safety as well as the safety of my neighbors and my renters in Druid Hills.

Speeding has been and continues to be a huge problem on Haywood Road. Since moving into Druid Hills in 2013, I would estimate that on average, I hear a collision on Haywood Rd. about every 2 to 3 months, if not more. In the last 3 months, both my husband and a family that was staying in our rental home were hit when trying to pull onto Haywood Rd. Luckily there were no major injuries but both vehicles had significant damage. I realize Haywood Rd. is a highway, however, once drivers are in city limits, there needs to be a major slow down. If not addressed, I worry that there will be further injuries and potential deaths.

Many families cross Haywood on foot at these intersections as well. I have heard story after story of walkers nearly getting hit by speeding drivers from both directions on Haywood. I've also experienced nearly being hit when drivers decide to cut through the neighborhood at the Kensington Rd. intersection. (image attached) Often it's a last minute decision by the driver to avoid the light at Asheville Hwy.

I'm unsure what the options would be to ensure everyone's safety but it clearly needs to be addressed. I have trust that our traffic experts will come up with a solution that will keep us all safe. Attached are images of both intersections with further details and descriptions. Thank you for your time, ideas, and action!

Sincerely,

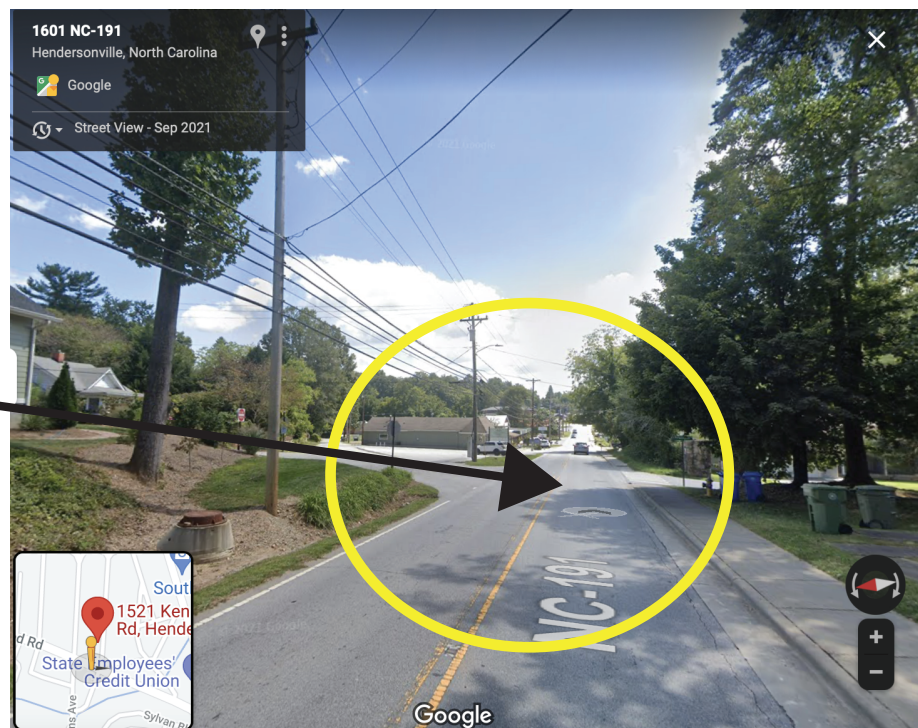
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## Haywood and Orleans

Attempting to turn left from Kensington often takes over 5 minutes due to speeding cars coming from both directions on Haywood.



## Haywood and Kensington Rd.



Drivers coming over this hill are very hard to see, especially when they are speeding.



Another issue is drivers cutting through the neighborhood to avoid the light at Asheville Hwy. They fly through this intersection, often running over the small median or blast through the DO NOT ENTER side of the street.

