From: jimmy yip
To: Clerk

Cc: Subject:

Shannon road project - city council mtg on Oct 19th

**Date:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 8:18:45 PM

## EXTERNAL SENDER

Hello,

My family and I live on Shannon road and we are supportive of the impeding road project. However, we respectfully ask the council to choose Option #1. If however, the council chooses option #3, we ask that we do NOT have the bollards. These posts are very unsightly and there is also no evidence that we have seen which shows any improvement in biker's safety.

We truly appreciate your time to read and consider our request.

Jimmy and Helen

Sent from my iPhone

From: Andrew Horwitz

To: <u>Clerk; Fletcher Parsons; WooJae Kim</u>

Cc: Suyesh Shrestha

**Subject:** Re: Serious concerns about Shannon Road Bike lane project

**Date:** Thursday, October 14, 2021 9:52:06 PM

## **EXTERNAL SENDER**

Re-sending adding WooJae Kim based on Suyesh's Out of Office email.

Hello Los Gatos Town Clerk and Engineering Team,

I am the new owner of Shannon Road, we purchased in June but did not move in until August. I only learned about the proposed bike lane and side walk changes recently. I also learned about a new proposal with bollards that seem highly disruptive the functionality and aesthetics of the street. I want to share my concerns for the project changes.

I support adding a sidewalk and bike path to the street but the bollard path seems to not add any additional functionality but significantly reduces it and harms home value.

A wider sidewalk provides a path for pedestrians, a bike path a place for bikers. The bollards interfere with both these activities and will hurt the home owners on Shannon Road. This is a residential street. Bollards do not belong on a residential street.

The original plan from August 25th calls for adding the bike lane and sidewalk in a very short area of road, I do not understand how this provides much incremental safety. Parking is already not allowed during weekdays on the street which provides plenty of room for pedestrians and bicyclers. Bollards were not part of the proposal.

I am also highly concerned along with my neighbors about the impact to our property. I still do not understand the impact to my property including the front area and my driveway. I would appreciate understand the implications to our property.

First, the trees and bushes along my front gate help block out sound from the street. As you know Shannon road can be busy and is why you are considering adding the bike lane. This will impact our property value and privacy.

Additionally, we usually use the space in front of our house to reverse into our driveway so we can more safely pull out front first and be safer entering Shannon Road. These proposed designs would force a reverse out of the driveway which puts pedestrians and cyclers are more risk.

This is why any additional of a sidewalk and bike path should also include ample street parking.

Lastly, most houses on Shannon have fences and gates because of the road design, this significant change will affect these designs and street aesethics.

I have reviewed the two original concepts and do not understand where the bollards proposal originated. I know that none of the home owners on the North side of Shannon Road between Cherry Blossom and Magneson Loop support that design. How can we change this plan? I will be at the 10/19 meeting to voice my objections.

Additionally, I do think the property impact to all home owners should be considered as home values are an important part of living in Los Gatos. Lastly, as you consider designs of practicality. This design should focus on students walking and riding to LGHS, Fisher, Van Meter and Blossom Hill schools thus I recommend keeping the bike and walking areas together and not separated. As someone who lives on the street, I think a combination of the two proposals is the best path that enables a bike lane, side walk and parking with minimal impact to private property.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Andy Horwitz Resident:

From: mojgan khalili

To: <u>Clerk</u>

Subject: Shannon Resident - comment about Bollards

Date: Friday, October 15, 2021 9:52:05 AM

## EXTERNAL SENDER

Hi,

Mojgan Khalili, homeowner of Shannon Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95032

I have lived on Shannon Road for the past 6 years and I want to voice my support for option #1. I do not support the use of bollards on Shannon road, this is an excessive financial measure and does not increase the safety for walkers, runners or cyclists - of which I am all three.

thanks and let me know if you have any questions.

Mojgan

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Mojgan Khalili

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