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Re: Agenda Item 5-I – Central Ave Complete Streets

Board of Directors

Dear Mayor and City Council,

Brian McGuire
President

We are excited to see Staff taking the necessary next steps to move this critical safety project forward. Central Ave has long been identified to have an unsafe configuration that results in high rates of collisions involving all forms of transportation. **Bike Walk Alameda requests that, in addition to initiating the PID with Caltrans, you give direction to Staff to aggressively pursue opportunities to expedite safety improvements along the western half of the corridor, which is not subject to Caltrans jurisdiction.**

Donna Eyestone
Secretary

Denyse Trepanier
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Lucy Gigli

Residents on the West End of Alameda, including the many children walking and biking to schools like Paden Elementary and Encinal Junior and Senior High School should not have to wait an additional three years before we start construction and making their streets safer. Respectfully, we ask that consideration be given to bifurcating the process.

Cyndy Johnson

Pat Potter

The corridor is very long and has many large pieces to work through planning, engineering, and construction. This may allow a split process to deliver components of the project without significantly increasing costs. Additionally, or alternately, this corridor should be a candidate for relatively low cost interim or pilot designs, sometimes referred to as tactical urbanism.

Kristen Leckie

We look forward to continuing to work closely with Council, Staff, and the community to achieve our transportation and Vision Zero goals with this project as efficiently as possible. Let's not wait until it is too late.

Sincerely,

Brian McGuire
President, Bike Walk Alameda