

Harada, Patricia

From: Weaver, Tracy (City Clerk)
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2023 5:49 PM
To: Sandoval, Lili; Harada, Patricia
Subject: FW: 4 way stop Whiting and Pine

Council received email below, please post.

Thank you,

Tracy Weaver | City Clerk
City of El Segundo
350 Main Street El Segundo CA 90245
310.524.2305 | tweaver@elegundo.org | www.elsegundo.org

-----Original Message-----

From: Lynn Norton <lynnnorton@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2023 5:37 PM
To: ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>; Xu, Lifan <lxu@elsegundo.org>; Sassoon, Elias <esassoon@elsegundo.org>; George, Darrell <dgeorge@elsegundo.org>
Subject: 4 way stop Whiting and Pine

Hello El Segundo Representatives,

I want to email my support for having a four way stop at Whiting and Pine. We moved to 517 Whiting twelve years ago and have been witness to many near accidents and several actual accidents at this intersection. Cars that are traveling on Whiting at this intersection do not have the visibility to see cars coming from either direction on Pine because of the cars parked on the street and the downhill descent that Whiting begins at that intersection. Due to the lack of a stop sign many people drive over the speed limit on Pine because they know they don't have to slow down for a stop like they do on Mariposa. It is also dangerous to exit from our alley between Whiting and Loma Vista on Pine due to the lack of visibility and the speed the cars are moving on Pine. There have been several accidents also at this alley access street. For me, it is safer to exit the alley on Mariposa because there is a stop sign at both intersections slowing the cars down. Please put a stop sign at this intersection before someone gets hurt again. This is the only intersection on W. Pine without a four way stop which makes no sense.

Thank you,

Lynn Norton

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From: Maggie Kelch <Maggielk@k2networks.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 1:19 PM
To: George, Darrell <dgeorge@elsegundo.org>
Cc: Sassoon, Elias <esassoon@elsegundo.org>; ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>
Subject: FOUR WAY STOP NEEDED

Dear City Council Members,

To emphasize Sarah Miszkowicz's point about the dangerous intersection at Whiting & Pine, please let me share what happened just 2 days after the accident she documented and shared with you.

I was almost T-Boned exactly like the accident that happened 2 days prior with my daughter in the car on our way to her HS swim practice. The car would have hit the passenger side of my car where my daughter was sitting. Luckily, I ALWAYS approach this particular intersection with caution and drive very slowly. I slammed on my brakes. The other car slammed on their brakes... skidding to the middle of the intersection as I came to a full stop. My daughter screamed and the other car took off. The mail carrier was parked and going through mail on the Northeast corner of Whiting Street. She stopped what she was doing and walked over to my car and asked if we were both ok. She said "that was an extremely close call". I couldn't agree with her more.

The visibility coming up Pine street heading West is horrific and the near misses that happen at least once a week are frustrating. We are blessed to live in an area where there are kids of all ages that are outside playing, bicycling, skateboarding, scootering and walking their dogs. It's unsettling to know that the intersection is unpredictable and dangerous with all the wonderful youth activity.

This is not the first or second time we have asked for the city to recognize the danger at the intersection of Whiting and Pine and install a 4 Way Stop. Please, I and the rest of our neighbors urge you to stop and see how dangerous this intersection is and take action. We are only asking for our community to be more safe and protected for our children and residents.

I look forward to the re-assessment of the 4 Way Stop at our intersection and hope to see this become a 4 way stop intersection.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Maggie Kelch

310-487-9124

443 Whiting Street, El Segundo

From: "George, Darrell" <dgeorge@elsegundo.org>
Date: March 27, 2023 at 11:38:38 AM PDT
To: sarahmeyer426@gmail.com
Cc: "Sassoon, Elias" <esassoon@elsegundo.org>
Subject: **FOUR WAY STOP NEEDED**

Hi Ms. Miszkowicz:

(bcc: councilmembers)

Thanks for your email. Please note that the traffic analysis which was recently performed by the Traffic Engineering Consultant firm indicated that the intersection did not meet the warrants for installing a 4-way stop sign. However, we are re-assessing the situation considering the information that you have provided and will get back with you soon.

Please contact Elias Sassoon, the Director of Public Work Department if you have any further questions.

Thanks
Darrell

Thank you,

Darrell George
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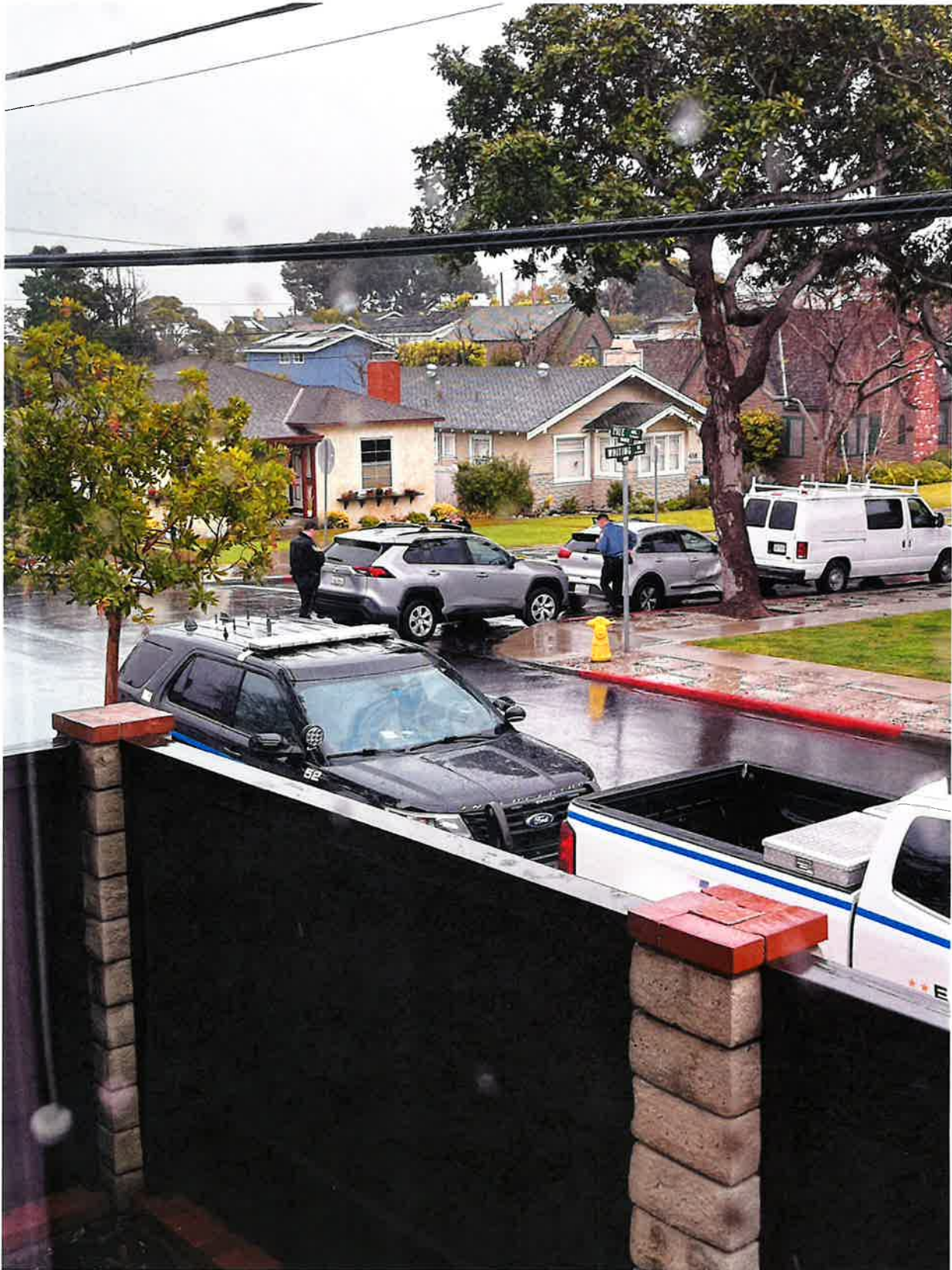
From: Sarah Miszkowicz <sarahmeyer426@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:21 PM
To: Xu, Lifan <lxu@elsegundo.org>; ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>;

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-Sarah Miskowicz
805-267-6554

Harada, Patricia

From: Weaver, Tracy (City Clerk)
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2023 5:47 PM
To: Sandoval, Lili; Harada, Patricia
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Attachments: (no subject).eml

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From: Weaver, Tracy (City Clerk)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 7:28 AM
To: Sandoval, Lili; Harada, Patricia
Subject: Fwd: Whiting x Pine 4-Way Stop

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Paul Miskowicz <pmiskow@gmail.com>
Date: April 17, 2023 at 9:26:05 PM PDT
To: ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>
Subject: Whiting x Pine 4-Way Stop

Hello,

I would like to voice my support for the conversion of a 2-way stop into a 4-way stop at the intersection of Pine and Whiting.

The parking along Pine makes it nearly impossible for Whiting based drivers to see cross traffic and has resulted in accidents along with a number of near misses with cars, bicyclists and pedestrians.

The topography of the upward slanting hill facing West compounds this issue in the evenings with significantly reduced visibility for drivers staring directly into the setting Sun.

Thank you for your review and consideration.

Paul Miskowicz
503 Whiting Street

Sent from my iPhone

Harada, Patricia

From: Weaver, Tracy (City Clerk)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 7:29 AM
To: Sandoval, Lili; Harada, Patricia
Subject: Fwd: 4-Way stop - corner of Whiting St. and Pine St.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Tom Norton <tomfnorton@earthlink.net>
Date: April 17, 2023 at 9:36:25 PM PDT
To: ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>, "Xu, Lifan" <lxu@elsegundo.org>, "Sassoon, Elias" <esassoon@elsegundo.org>, "George, Darrell" <dgeorge@elsegundo.org>
Subject: 4-Way stop - corner of Whiting St. and Pine St.

Council Members,

I am writing to you regarding the issue of adding stop signs for east/west traffic on Pine Street at Whiting Street. My family and I have lived on the 500 block of Whiting Street, just north of the intersection in question for the past 12 years. We have long been concerned about the safety of the intersection due to traffic moving rapidly through on Pine Street. We recently witnessed a collision in the intersection, one of several that we have seen over the years living nearby, not to mention the numerous "near misses" that happen on a regular basis.

The intersection is a challenging one to cross when moving north/south on Whiting Street when cars are parked on Pine, partially blocking the view of drivers on Whiting Street. Drivers on Pine sometimes speed excessively through the intersection due in part to the fact that they are not required to stop at the intersection, and this makes the situation even more dangerous. We have a large number of families with younger children on our block and in the general area, and a four-way stop here would be greatly beneficial to the safety of these children as they cross Pine Street.

Both Holly Street and Mariposa have stop signs at their intersections with Whiting Street. Please add one at Pine Street to reduce or eliminate this public safety risk to pedestrians and drivers that so frequently use this intersection.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tom Norton
517 Whiting Street
El Segundo

Harada, Patricia

From: Weaver, Tracy (City Clerk)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 7:29 AM
To: Sandoval, Lili; Harada, Patricia
Subject: Fwd: Request for Stop Signs at Whiting and Pine

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Serena Burton <serenaburton@gmail.com>
Date: April 17, 2023 at 6:12:27 PM PDT
To: ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>, "Sassoon, Elias" <esassoon@elsegundo.org>, "George, Darrell" <dgeorge@elsegundo.org>, "Xu, Lifan" <lxu@elsegundo.org>
Cc: sarahmeyer426@gmail.com, ❤️ Scott ❤️ <cscottburton@yahoo.com>
Subject: Request for Stop Signs at Whiting and Pine

Dear City Council members, City Manager and others,

This letter is to request that the City convert the current 2-way stop signs at the corner of Whiting Street and Pine Avenue to 4-way stop signs.

We live right around the block at 433 Loma Vista Street and walk to school at Richmond Street Elementary each day down Pine. I have personally seen many close calls at that intersection while walking or driving. Some cars go flying down Pine since they have no stop sign and other times, cars turning left onto Pine off Whiting are almost clipped. I have spoken to my kids about never crossing Pine on Whiting there because it's so hard to see cars coming up the hill on Pine. I've seen kids crossing Pine on bikes almost be hit by a car coming up the hill. It was terrifying. Additionally, some cars stop there when traveling on Pine because they just assume there is a stop and cause confusion for other drivers.

A stop sign there seems very logical especially since it's a poor visibility area.

Please don't wait until there's a serious accident at this intersection. We ask the Council to do the right thing and have that intersection converted into a 4-way stop.

Thank you for reading this and for your consideration.

We appreciate your time and commitment to keeping this city the great place it is.

Serena and Scott Burton

433 Loma Vista Street
310-945-8081

Harada, Patricia

Subject: FW: Cross Streets of Pine Ave. and Whiting Street (Proposal for 4-Way Stop)

From: Brandon Avakian <brandon.avakian@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 11:40 AM

To: ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS <ALLELECTEDOFFICIALS@elsegundo.org>

Subject: Cross Streets of Pine Ave. and Whiting Street (Proposal for 4-Way Stop)

Dear El Segundo City Council,

My name is Brandon Avakian and I live at 432 Whiting Street near the intersection of Pine Avenue and Whiting Street. My understanding is there have been discussions regarding whether a 4-way stop should be added to this intersection.

Obviously, the people that live in El Segundo don't want to add additional stops and increase travel time when it's not necessary. However, whether you are an adult or a child the intersection is not safe because of lack of visibility. Pine Ave. and Whiting Street lie at the top of a hill. As you look both ways before crossing Pine, vision is cut short due to the steepness of the hill. It feels like a gamble every time I cross the road. Whether it's with my family or by myself I don't feel very safe crossing Pine Ave. I am sure you have guidelines which aid you in determining where to place stop signs. But even if you believe it best not to add a 4-way stop, a happy compromise (which typically makes both parties feel satisfied with the result) would be to add speed bumps before and after the intersection. One again, I don't know what your guidelines are.

I am not one to speak up on a lot of matters. But I feel that if one of my neighbors is going to take the time to bring this issue up with the City Council, that neighbor deserves my support. The intersection is unfortunately an unsafe condition in my opinion. If a serious accident occurs at that intersection because nothing was done by the City of El Segundo, ultimately it would be us taxpayers of El Segundo that will pay. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Brandon N. Avakian