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CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING**

**JULY 16, 2024**

**From:** LINDA GUNNETT <lulukazoo@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, July 13, 2024 10:19 AM

**To:** Council <Council@laquintaca.gov>

**Subject:** Eisenhower road diet proposal.

Living on Eisenhower Drive is like living on the 405 Freeway! I support ANYTHING that could possibly slow traffic on our street. Many of us living on this road have lost animals to speeding cars and have had vehicles side swiped and find it difficult to impossible to pull out of our driveways...which is truly astonishing to me because there is an additional lane for them to use to pull out of the way to allow us to pull out, but people don't use it...so how can they complain if they lose that lane with the road diet? Speeding cars doing donuts in the middle of the intersections is a common sight. We have a park on Eisenhower that my neighbor takes her small children to and I worry every time I see them walk by.

Eisenhower traffic has become additionally unbearable ever since drivers have re-routed off from Bermudas after the road diet there. We need our own road diet. The south portion of Eisenhower that is being considered for this road diet is only 1-1.5 miles long and nobody will be greatly inconvenienced by the few extra seconds it will take them to get from one end to the other...or to wherever they are going in the Cove.

Eisenhower morning traffic going south has also increased dramatically in the early morning by people driving up to the hiking trails after the Cove Oasis trailhead parking lot was expanded. I would like to see the City spend more effort to encourage these hikers to park at the bottom of the Cove (somewhere?) utilizing the beautifully done Bear Creek Trail to walk up to the trail head. This would enhance their workout and reduce the vehicle noise and air pollution they are causing to the residents who are living up in the Cove. This is how the local residents utilize the hiking trails, they walk up to the trail head, and how it should be done, IMO. However, I wonder if not enough people are informed about the Bear Creek trail that runs alongside, and all around the Cove area, which, in and of itself, would provide a safe hiking workout for both them and their animals. Park at the bottom and make a healthier choice for the benefit of all of us.

Linda Gunnnett

**From:** p maietta <pmaietta@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 13, 2024 2:17 PM  
**To:** Council <Council@laquintaca.gov>  
**Subject:** Support for the Eisenhower road diet.

I support the proposal to put Eisenhower Drive on a diet! I support reducing the speed limit on this road. Anything to reduce the speed on this road would be a good thing for the residents who live on this street. This section of Eisenhower is less than 2 miles long and below illustrates how little time it takes to travel, without stopping. Another minute or so won't kill anybody, but not doing something about this problem road might.

At 35 MPH

[for 1 miles](#) 1.71  
minutes  
(0.029  
hours)

[for 2 miles](#) 3.43  
minutes  
(0.057  
hours)

**PAULA MAIETTA**

From: Wells Marvin <wellsmarvin@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 15, 2024 3:43 PM

To: Bryan McKinney <Bmckinney@laquintaca.gov>; Danny Castro <dcastro@laquintaca.gov>; Jon McMillen <jmcmillen@laquintaca.gov>

Cc: Katy Abel <katy@oldtownlaquinta.com>

Subject: Traffic Calming, reduction to one Lane and bike lane proposed for Eisenhower Drive July 16 meeting.

Dear Bryan, Danny and Jon.

I saw a flyer about re-painting lanes, dropped off at my house at 52880 Eisenhower Drive when I was in town last week. I'm unable to attend the meeting this week but could you please make sure my thoughts reach the proper people who are coordinating this study?

First of all I think it's brilliant and long overdue and I hope it can be implemented ASAP. Too bad you didn't seek input earlier so you could have put in new lanes after the slurry coat was put down a week ago, now you will have to do that job twice and it will not be nearly as clean as doing new lanes in the first place. Eisenhower Drive is a drag strip with large pick up trucks and motorcycles regularly hitting 60-70 MPH both South and North Bound. Because it has two lanes of high speed traffic it is very dangerous to back out of our driveways, especially because our view of high speed oncoming traffic is often blocked large vehicles parked next to the curb.

Also there are no cross walks which will result soon in death or severe injury due to the high speed traffic. Having one lane and a bike lane each way should slow traffic and make site lines for pedestrian crossing better. There is little or no enforcement of the speed limit on Eisenhower so your proposed changes would help. Even better would be "bump outs" and cross walks, traffic tables etc which are even more proven to slow traffic.

In summary I applaud your proactive plan to slow traffic on Eisenhower and make it more bike friendly while making it safer for the people living along the street and those who walk and bike in the Cove. Wish you had done it years ago.

Best Wells Marvin owner occupant 52880 Eisenhower Drive, La Quinta.

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**From:** Gretchen Willis <info@gretchenwillis.photos>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 8, 2024 11:04 PM  
**To:** Monika Radeva  
**Subject:** Eisenhower bike lane proposal

Please, for the love of this community, no. I am a full time resident and both my husband and I grew up right here in the cove. There are plenty of streets for bicyclists to ride through the neighborhood. Motor vehicles have 3 that make sense to use. Bermudas, which already has a bike lane, Eisenhower and Montezuma. This plan would inconvenience the residents of our city everyday to accommodate weekend cyclists that drop off in huge numbers through our summer. This is a terrible idea and I hope the city does not allow this to happen.

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July 15, 2024


City of La Quinta  
Jon McMillen, City Manager  
Monika Radeva, CMC / City Clerk  
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La Quinta, CA 92253

Dear Mr. McMillen,

Thank you for providing the Desert Valleys Builders Association with the opportunity to review and comment on the City of La Quinta's *Master Fee Schedule Update*, dated September 19, 2024. The DVBA limited the review to those items relating to the Mitigation Fee Act (Gov. Code 66000-66025).

With the assistance of City staff and Clear Source Financial explaining certain actions within the supporting documentation, The Desert Valleys Builders Association is supporting the adoption of the City's Master Fee Schedule for 2024-2025.

Respectfully,



Gretchen Gutierrez  
Chief Executive Officer

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