

May 30, 2018

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Novato

**Novato City Council**

922 Machin Avenue  
Novato

Dear City Council:

For a long time our community has been requesting measures from the City to improve the traffic in and around Leafwood Street, which is not only a residential street, but also a school zone. All of us signing this letter live in this community, populated with a large number of children and seniors. Due to the lack of sufficient traffic signals and enforcement of the speed limit, three children have been hit by cars in the last few years, even though the first ones were not reported because of fear of the police. The last calamity left a Lynwood student, Wendi DeLeon, 11, injured and with a visit to the emergency room on May 14, 2018. Wendi's accident happened during drop off hour.

We feel that many of our concerns have never been addressed completely or not at all and we are extremely worried that a major tragedy might occur in our street. We would like the city and the police to patrol Leafwood during rush hour and during school drop off and pick up. You could probably see how many drivers do not even obey the stop signals from the school bus, but we rarely see somebody being ticketed.

Some of the infrastructure improvements that we have been requesting include:

- Speed limit signs
- Additional "School Zone" signs
- Properly marked crosswalk, ideally with flashing lights
- More police presence
- Painted parking guidance
- Limit to the number of parking permits per household
- Street cleaner at least every other week

In behalf of all the neighbors at Leafwood Drive, thanks in advance for your attention.

Sincerely,

(See attached signatures)