

Mayor Mei, Fremont City Council, City Attorney, City Manager, City Attorney

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Rancho Arroyo Parkway

In August of 2018 the residents of Rancho Arroyo Parkway (a land locked isolated historic neighborhood) awoke to a complete redesign and rezoning of Rancho Arroyo Parkway after being notified that a simple resurface and reseal CEQA exempt maintenance operation was to be performed. The next four years have exemplified the absolute worse the local government has to offer.

The residents presented evidence of 1)CEQA violation 2)violation of standard operating procedures in regard to opening a project 3) violation of existing ordinances 4) complete disregard of prior City Council motions to protect the neighborhood 5) and a complete lack of knowledge of field conditions.

The City Council, after the outrage of those affected, questioned the Department of Public Works. Their response was we can do this under Safe and Complete Streets, General Plan and the onerous vision zero. And that was that.

You have destroyed my neighborhood, a safe, historical neighborhood for no reason. We didn't ask for it; adding parking goes against every plan you have sited as justification, and the safety record was impeccable and not close to being a candidate for your changes.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars, taxpayers, have been wasted to the detriment of our environment. You have added more cars, more trash and have restricted access not only to our homes but to emergency response vehicles for absolutely no reason. Other than you can.

The City Attorney and City Manager (both no longer employed here) justified these actions under the plans mentioned above. Yet when challenged to come up with any proof that the documents exempt the City from operating under the law the City was mute.

Not one request I have made to Mayor Mei to meet or talk over the last four years has been even acknowledged, let alone answered. And I still have doubts that our “representative” Shao even knows where Niles is, being a resident of the Mission District.

My quality of life has been destroyed for no reason, I see trash and fire danger worse than I have ever seen in my last 30 years in Fremont; homelessness is out of control, and the City Council has done nothing but encourage undocumented, uninsured, unlicensed driver’s carte blanche to the City. Well, I had a very good friend killed----no hit and left for dead----from one of these individuals and the investigation into this disgraceful tragedy has been nonexistent. So, really, let’s talk about compassion.

Oh, but , Mayor Mei, you got an award today that you can put on your resume. Good for you. And Mark Danaj still gets \$300,000 severance pay even though he has gone over and above proving he has no integrity.

So , good for you, Mayor Mei and those moving up in the political theatre.

Too bad you had to throw our City under the bus to get that.

Respectfully submitted,

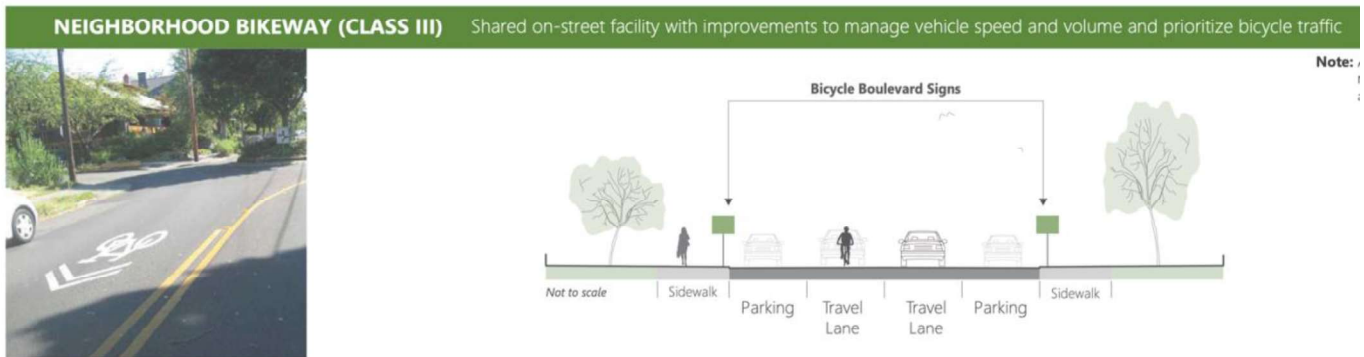
Sharon Scharff

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ADJUSTMENT SUGGESTION ON THE FREMONT BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

First of all, I would like to say that the work done so far and the Fremont [Bicycle Master Plan](#) project is fantastic and it is great to be able to live in a city where residents and authorities also prioritize alternative means of transport.

I write this letter to suggest an adjustment to the bicycle master plan. More specifically, on Parkside Dr. Street which gives access to the Parkmont Elementary School. Today Parkside Dr. has a class 3 bikeway where cars and bikes must share the street.



My suggestion is to develop a class 2 bikeway at Parkside Dr., thus giving access to Parkmont Elementary school with greater safety for parents and especially children, who I believe from

grade 3 on, can start the journey home/school alone by bike.

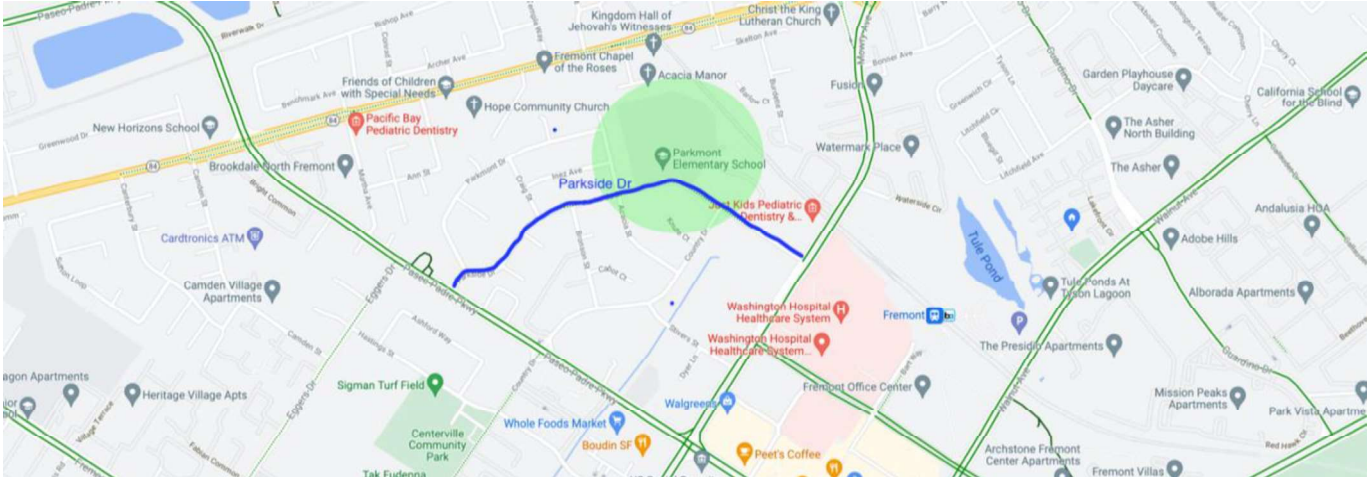


The current situation is that Parkside Dr. street is completely swamped with cars at the beginning and end of classes, which forces cyclists to walk between the cars or sometimes on the sidewalk, which is also not ideal because they are also full of parents walking.



With a class 2 bikeway at Parkside Dr, it will be possible to access Paseo Padre and Mowry Ave, which today already has a class 2 bikeway, thus making the experience of parents and children complete, safe and pleasant when making their journey from home to school.

I also believe that with a bikeway class 2 at Parkside Dr. it would encourage more people to bike to school, alleviating the traffic and thus making everyone happier - cyclists, drivers and residents of the school's area.



My suggestion at this time aims the Parkside Dr. as my son currently attends Parkmont Elementary School. However, I believe this adjustment can potentially expand to all streets that give access to the Fremont district schools by connecting these streets to the main Fremont bikeways.

Thanks for your attention and for the excellent work already done.

SINCERELY,

BRUNO GREGORY