

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER

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TRAFFIC SAFETY AT ALTADENA ARTS AND ELIOT ARTS MAGNET SCHOOLS

The Altadena Town Council, Altadena Arts Magnet, and Eliot Arts Magnet Academy have expressed concerns over traffic safety conditions at the two schools, including the potential for pedestrian conflicts with vehicles at the intersection of Calaveras Street and El Molino Avenue, which is adjacent to Altadena Arts Magnet, as well as the intersection of Lake Avenue and Boston Street, adjacent to Eliot Arts Magnet Academy, located in the unincorporated Altadena community, during each school's arrival and dismissal times.

Currently, there is an adult crossing guard assigned to the intersection of Calaveras Street and Catherine Road, just west of Altadena Arts Magnet, to assist school-aged children crossing these streets. However, the school has indicated that their student population would be better served by crossing assistance at the intersection of Calaveras Street and El Molino Avenue. This intersection is located directly adjacent to the school's designated drop-off and pick-up locations and is often impacted by queuing at this location during arrival and dismissal times.

Additionally, the intersection of Calaveras Street and El Molino Avenue is a four-way stop-controlled intersection with more potential points of conflict than the stop-controlled T-intersection at Calaveras Street and Catherine Road. Likewise, there is an adult crossing guard currently assigned to the fully signalized intersection of Lake Avenue and Calaveras Street, on the northwest corner of the Eliot Arts Magnet Academy campus, to assist school-aged children crossing these streets. However, the school has indicated that their student population would be better served by crossing assistance at the intersection of Lake Avenue and Boston Street, on the southwest corner of the Eliot Arts Magnet Academy campus, which currently has no stop controls along Lake Avenue.

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I, ,THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Works, in coordination with the County Office of Education to:

1. Reassign the adult crossing guard at the intersection of Calaveras Street and Catherine Road to the intersection of Calaveras Street and El Molino Avenue;
2. Reassign the adult crossing guard at the intersection of Lake Avenue and Calaveras Street to the intersection of Lake Avenue and Boston Street; and,
3. Report back in writing in 30 days with a comprehensive traffic safety analysis with recommendations for improvements, along with projected timelines for implementation.

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