MAURICIO ROSAS, CITIZEN ADVOCATE (EXTRAORDINAIRE!)
THERE’S A TRAFFIC ISSUE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD...WHAT TO DO?

• Talk about it. Do your friends and neighbors agree?
• Request to get on the Neighborhood Association Agenda or discuss with the Board
• Form a subcommittee on traffic safety
NOW, GET ORGANIZED!

• Core members
  • Passionate and Professional Neighbors
  • Website knowledge
  • Digital and aerial imagery
  • Landscape/Roadway knowledge

• Who else to invite?
  • City/County/State Engineers
  • Urban designers
  • Vision Zero
MAKE A WISH LIST

• Sidewalks
• Street murals
• Curve enhancements
• Vision Zero Sign-Waving Rallies
• Traffic calming
Heights Traffic Awareness Campaign

HIT BY A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT: 20 MPH
9 out of 10 pedestrians survive

HIT BY A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT: 30 MPH
5 out of 10 pedestrians survive

HIT BY A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT: 40 MPH
Only 1 out of 10 pedestrians survives

Image: Seattle Department of Transportation
TAKE ACTION

• Document the concerns
• Letter writing
• Sign-waving Rallies
• Reach out to others
  • Schools
  • Businesses
  • Churches
• Social Media Accounts & Website
CRASHES
ON HIGHLAND AVENUE BETWEEN VIOLET AND OSBORNE
SPEEDING CRASH
AT THE HITE ON FLORIDA AVENUE AT IDLEWILD
TWO SPEED LIMITS NEXT TO EACH OTHER 30 AND 40
MPO DECISIONS ON COUNTY AND STATE ROADS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO DANGEROUS CONDITIONS IN SEMINOLE HEIGHTS AND URBAN CORE NEIGHBORHOODS

Hit and Run on Ola Avenue near Henry and Ola Park March 7, 2019
Dear Commissioners and Council Members,

Please take a moment to read this article by the Brookings Institute:

"It’s a situation far too common for most Americans. You’re sitting in bumper-to-bumper traffic on the highway, again. Hundreds of cars are idling around you. It’s atypical, backed-up commute to work. Frustrated, you might wonder: How did we get here? It wasn’t an accident. Our congested commutes are the result of decisions that stretch back decades, to when Americans began to build their communities around cars. Today, the ways in which we plan and invest in transportation continue to contribute to problems like congestion, lack of accessible and affordable transportation options, and sprawling, unsafe, and ecologically destructive built environment. Behind many of these challenges lies a measure familiar to transportation planners and engineers: "level of service," or LOS. This seemingly innocuous statistic, however, is one of the biggest reasons we’re literally and figuratively stuck in traffic—and it signals a need for a new way to guide our future plans and investments. Read the full article by the Brookings Institute at https://www.brookings.edu/blog/the-avenue/2019/03/20/stop-trying-to-solve-traffic-and-start-building-great-places/?utm_campaign=Metropolitan%20Policy%20Program&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=71254084

Here’s an innovative idea with potential for Vision Zero. As you read this try to think of ways we can make it happen.

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Dear Commissioners and City Council Members,

This Easter weekend was quite a surprise to some of my neighbors. A red truck speeding within Seminole Heights residential roads crashed into Christine Healy’s home, Friday night. When I learned about the crash, I visited and interviewed the Healy’s. Attached is the YouTube video of their interview. Also, I’ve copied post’s about the crash from Nextdoor and included them as part of this email.

Please follow the link to their interview.

YouTube
https://youtu.be/OsMeWRWNSNM

NEXTDOOR Posts

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PARTNERING WITH VISION ZERO
OLD SEMINOLE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HEIGHTS URBAN CORE CHAMBER
USE SOCIAL MEDIA, VIDEOS, WEBSITE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OsMeWRWNS
NM&feature=youtu.be

https://www.facebook.com/maurice.rosas/videos/10
155907110092441/?t=8
BUT WAIT, THERE’S MORE!

• Attend City Council Meetings
• Attend County Commission Meetings
• Schedule appointment w/Mayor
• Hold regular meetings
• DON’T BE DISCOURAGED, this is not a lifetime gig!
DON’T FORGET TO REJOICE IN THE SUCCESSES!

SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS ON STATE AND COUNTY ROADS IN TAMPA’S URBAN CORE

Solar Powered Speed Monitors on Florida and Highland Avenue

Reduce speed on Florida and Highland to 30 mph

Safer and better quality crosswalks
Highland Ave/Violet Street: Existing Conditions

- C4 Urban General Context
- Classification
- Speed related crash history

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Highland Ave/Violet Street: Proposed Improvements

- Lane elimination
- Curve enhancements
- Short-term implementation
- Design Build Push Button Contract
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