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Subject: RE: Camden Road and phone call

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I just wanted to weigh in, as a member of the Glendale Elem Parent Leadership team and make sure that the kids at Glendale and in the neighborhood have a voice.

I was disappointed with the way this was handled by the GNA Board. I asked that the "special" board meeting that was called to be moved to a later time so that I could attend. With just one days notice, with regards to working Board Members, this is unacceptable. As a Board Member, I have agreed to represent ALL of the neighborhood residents and their desires and concerns. I have not heard from the larger Glendale Community, including the other two schools in the neighborhood. I also want to remind everyone, that while it is being presented as if there are just three or four kids walking to school. please remember that parents such as myself will not ALLOW our kids to walk to school, because there are no sidewalks. I am NOT willing to risk my daughters life.

I think what has not been recognized by many who have concerns, is that we are living in a different time and things have changed in society since in the last 40 or 50 years. More cars on the road--more household in which both parents work and cannot stay home to walk their kids to school and the biggest change...the creation of cell phones, I pods and other such devices that have created more distracted drivers and more danger to bikers and walkers in ANY neighborhood.

I believe that all neighborhood residents should have a voice, not just longtime residents, but new residents who have intentions of staying around. We need these repairs and improvements to make our neighborhood safer, more desirable to future homebuyers and also provides much needed infrastructure attention to address all of the engineering issues we have.

I hope that we can continue to move forward with these discussions in a more open forum with more involvement from the Bike and Pedestrian advisors at the city.

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