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Background
The New Monterey Neighborhood is a residential neighborhood in north Monterey between Pacific Grove on the northwest and southwest, the Presidio on the southeast, and Hawthorne Street on the northeast. David Avenue and Prescott Avenue are the two main streets connecting the Cannery Row area and Highway 68 in Pacific Grove. The City worked with neighborhood residents to develop a traffic calming plan for David Avenue and Prescott Avenue to address traffic speed and pedestrian safety on these streets.

Existing Conditions
David Avenue and Prescott Avenue are residential streets with homes on both sides of the street. Street widths on David Avenue are approximately 36 feet wide, narrowing to approximately 30 feet in some sections on the southwest end, with on-street parking and attached sidewalks. Prescott Avenue is narrower, approximately 26 feet wide, with parking on the southeast side and attached sidewalks.

Traffic Data
Table 1 shows recent traffic data collected on David and Prescott Avenues:

Table 1: Traffic Volumes and Speeds

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<th>Street</th>
<th>ADT*</th>
<th>Posted Speed</th>
<th>85th Percentile Speed**</th>
<th>10 MPH Pace Speed***</th>
<th>Collision Rate****</th>
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<td>David Avenue</td>
<td>9,200-11,600</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>26-35</td>
<td>2.86</td>
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<td>Prescott Avenue</td>
<td>9,000</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>23-32</td>
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* Average Daily Traffic
** 85 percent of the traffic travels at this speed or below
***The 10 mile per hour grouping with the greatest number of vehicles
****Calculated as the number of crashes per million vehicle miles traveled

Plan Development Process
City staff and neighborhood representatives worked together to develop the Traffic Calming Plan for David and Prescott Avenues through the following steps:

- Identify residents’ concerns with neighborhood traffic
- Identify desired neighborhood outcomes for traffic on David and Prescott Avenues
- Review traffic management tools that fit the character of the neighborhood
- Consider various traffic management applications
- Recommend a traffic management plan for David and Prescott Avenues
The first step in the planning process was to send out surveys to all residents in the New Monterey Neighborhood. The City received 524 responses to the survey and the results were compiled and presented at the first meeting with the neighborhood. Table 2 shows the results of the neighborhood survey:

Table 2: Summary of Neighborhood Survey

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<th>Question</th>
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<td>1. Please rank each of the following neighborhood traffic issues in order of concern to you.</td>
<td>Ranked as most important:</td>
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<td>Excessive traffic speeds – 35%</td>
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<td>Non-resident cut-through traffic – 15%</td>
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<td>Pedestrian safety – 13%</td>
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<td>Availability of on-street parking – 11%</td>
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<td>Bicycle safety – 10%</td>
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<td>Availability of sidewalks – 9%</td>
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<td>Other – 8%</td>
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<td>2. What, if any, concerns do you have about driving safety in your neighborhood?</td>
<td>Visibility – 29%</td>
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<td>Street width - 18%</td>
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<td>Right-of-way control – 18%</td>
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<td>Signing – 11%</td>
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<td>Street curvature and grades – 10%</td>
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<td>Striping – 8%</td>
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<td>Other – 7%</td>
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<td>3. What activities do you or members of your household use neighborhood streets for regularly?</td>
<td>Walking – 56%</td>
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<td>Bicycling – 27%</td>
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<td>Skating or skateboarding – 5%</td>
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<td>Other – 11%</td>
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<td>4. If there are school children in your house, what is the most common method of travel to and from school?</td>
<td>Automobile – 44%</td>
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<td>Walking – 31%</td>
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<td>School Bus – 11%</td>
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<td>Bicycling – 7%</td>
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<td>Transit – 5%</td>
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<td>Other – 2%</td>
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<td>5. What would encourage you and members of your family to ride public transit?</td>
<td>Shorter bus intervals – 25%</td>
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<td>Bus stop locations – 18%</td>
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<td>Different service routes – 14%</td>
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<td>I would not ride public transit – 30%</td>
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<td>Other – 13%</td>
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In addition to the tabulated results, there was a large number of comments. Those related to transit were provided to MST for consideration. All comments were captured and included as an appendix to this report. Concerns expressed in the comments included:

- Street and sidewalk grades
- Stop sign location and compliance
- Narrow and obstructed sidewalks
- Visibility at intersections due to parked vehicles, vegetation, street grades, etc.
- Safety at Bay View School and Hilltop Park
- Availability and operation of on-street parking
- Trucks and buses on David

The neighborhood met three times, February 7, March 6, and April 9, 2008, to work through each step of the process. Representatives from City Traffic, City Police, and MST attended all three meetings and a representative from the Fire Department attended the first meeting. The first meeting provided an overview of traffic data collected on David and Prescott Avenues and a summary of the survey results.

**Problem Identification**
At the first neighborhood meeting, residents were asked to identify traffic concerns for David and Prescott Avenues. In addition to the issues identified in the neighborhood survey, meeting participants provided the following list of concerns they wanted to address in the traffic study:

- Traffic to and from DLI
- Speeds on David and Prescott
- Trucks using Prescott despite sign at the bottom of the hill
- Pedestrians and bikes crossing David and Prescott
- Visibility at intersections limited by cars parked at the intersection
- Cars parking into the intersection
- Trucks speeding on David in the early morning
- Cars passing left-turning cars on the right as they wait to turn
- Missing sections of sidewalk on Prescott
- David feels like a barrier to pedestrians
- Steep sidewalk on Prescott
- Limited visibility for left turning vehicles from Devisadero to Prescott
- No parking signs on upper David are hard to read – add red curb
- Skateboarders on the street
- Bikes on Prescott
- Student pickup and drop-off at Bay View – double parking

**Neighborhood Recommendations**
At the first neighborhood meeting, residents made the following suggestions to address traffic concerns on David and Prescott Avenues:

- City should work with DLI to get a new gate to Highway 68
- Install additional stop signs on Prescott – suggested location at Cypress
- Restrict commercial vehicle parking on David
- Install permanent speed displays on Prescott and David
- Install medians on David – suggested location near Terry
- Construct curb extensions on David and Prescott
- Install crosswalks on David and Prescott
- Bulb out MST stops
- Underground utilities to remove poles from sidewalks
- Require CalAm employees to park on-site
- Post David as a truck route
- Install crosswalk at David and Laine
- Install "Stop for pedestrians in crosswalk" signs
- Conduct a survey of lighting on David and Prescott
- Construct sidewalk on Prescott between Terry and Grace
- Implement a bike safety education program

These ideas were combined with those of City staff and the consultant to develop concept plans. These were discussed and revised at the second neighborhood meeting. Additional suggestions were incorporated from that meeting and subsequent meetings with City staff.

**Final Recommendations**

Final recommendations were developed at the April 9, 2008 meeting. These included a number of physical devices to be installed on David and Prescott Avenues, shown in the recommended plan in Figure 1, as well as other activities for neighborhood and City implementation. The plan was the result of the neighborhood planning process outlined above. The costs associated with the plan include design and construction costs and estimated loss of on-street parking. The estimated costs are based on similar installations and may vary with actual design and construction costs. These are shown in Table 3.

The improvements recommended in the final plan on David Avenue include:

- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Laine Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Spencer Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Pine Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Lily Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Terry Street.
- Construct a partial median and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue between Parcel Street and Lyndon Avenue.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on David Avenue at Lottie Street. - Or-
- Remove parking on the north side of David Avenue and stripe bike climbing lanes.
- Install permanent speed display signs on David Avenue northeast-bound between Cypress Street and Lily Street, and southwest-bound between Fillmore Street and Cypress Street.
The actual placement of the permanent display signs will be based on speed data collected in the field.

On Prescott Avenue, the following improvements are included in the plan:

- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on Prescott Avenue at Belden Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on Prescott Avenue at Pine Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on Prescott Avenue at Lily Street.
- Construct curb extensions and pavement treatment crosswalks on Prescott Avenue at Parcel Street.
- Construct curb extension on the east leg of Prescott Avenue at Devisadero.
- Permanent speed display signs on Prescott Avenue northeast-bound at Devisadero, southwest-bound between Fillmore Street and Grace Street, and northeast-bound between Fillmore Street and Cypress Street. The actual placement of the permanent display signs will be based on speed data collected in the field.
Table 3: Estimated Costs for Proposed Plan

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<th>Device</th>
<th>Potential On-Street Parking Loss Per Device*</th>
<th>Estimated Cost Per Device**</th>
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<td>Partial Median</td>
<td>8 spaces</td>
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<td>Bicycle Climbing Lane</td>
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<td><strong>PRESCOTT AVE</strong></td>
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<td>Curb Extensions - Intersection (East Side Only)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Potential Loss of On-street Parking:</strong></td>
<td>99 spaces</td>
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Total Cost Estimate: $1,240,000 $1,365,000

* On-Street parking loss dependent on final design/length of device and actual location
** Cost can be affected significantly by landscaping options and/or drainage considerations
Figure 1: Traffic Calming Plan for David and Prescott Avenues
Figure 2: Rendering of Curb Extensions with Pedestrian Crossing Treatment on David Avenue at Terry

Figure 3: Rendering of Curb Extensions with Pedestrian Crossing Treatment on Prescott Avenue at Belden
In addition to the physical devices outlined above, residents suggested a number of other programmatic or low cost options to address issues on David and Prescott Avenues.

**Trucks**
1. Truck route signs on David Avenue
   - City of Monterey staff will work with Pacific Grove and CalTrans to install truck route signs at each end of David Avenue.
2. Signs on Prescott informing trucks of the steep grade and direct them to David Avenue
   - City of Monterey will install additional signing on Prescott Avenue at Hawthorne Street.
   - City of Monterey staff will work with Pacific Grove and CalTrans to install signs at Forest/Highway 68.

**Enforcement**
1. Speeding
   - Monterey Police will continue speed enforcement on David and Prescott Avenues.
2. Stop sign violation
   - Monterey Police will continue enforcing violations on David and Prescott Avenues.
3. Parking too close to intersections
   - Monterey Police will continue enforcing violations throughout New Monterey. It is a violation of Monterey City Code to park within 20 feet of the approach to a stop sign.
4. Jake brake/noise
   - The City of Monterey is considering signs that CalTrans is testing that instruct trucks to minimize engine brake noise.

Residents should call 646-3914 to report non-emergency issues to the Police Department.

**Yield to pedestrian signs at crosswalks**
- City of Monterey will install Yield to Pedestrian signs at school crossings.
- City staff will develop guidelines for the use of these signs at other locations.

**Sidewalks – missing segments**
- The New Monterey NIP representative will look at including the construction of missing segments in the neighborhood’s NIP request.

**DLI access to Highway 68**
- The City of Monterey supports DLI pursuing this additional access. Approval for such an access must come from CalTrans and Pacific Grove.

**Education**
1. Yield to pedestrians
   - City staff will identify opportunities to educate drivers to yield to pedestrians. Staff will write an article for the City Focus.
2. Bike routes and safety
   - City staff will identify education strategies to enhance bike safety and enhance current bike routes citywide.
   - City staff will support bike safety through the Safe Routes to school activities.

3. Traffic around Bay View Elementary
   - City staff will work with the Bay View Elementary School administration to develop educational information for students and parents that supports safe walking, driving, and parking around the school, through safe routes to school

Shrubs blocking sidewalk and visibility at intersections
   - New Monterey will include information in the next neighborhood newsletter, the City has also provided guidelines under:
     http://www.monterey.org/traffic/pdf/corner_sight_distance.pdf

Follow-up Satisfaction Review
It is important that the effectiveness of the traffic calming plan be monitored and evaluated. Travel patterns before and after installation of the devices should be observed and documented, including traffic speeds and volumes. In addition, resident satisfaction should be evaluated through surveys and neighborhood meetings. The follow-up review should take place after the devices are installed. Results of traffic calming efforts on David Avenue and Prescott Avenue will help inform the City of Monterey on the effectiveness of the improvements.
Appendix

David and Prescott Avenue Traffic Study Survey
Summary of Comments
January 2008

1. Bus #2 should also be on Prescott. Students from DLI need a bus close by. I believe 30 mph should be on Prescott as well as on David.
2. People run the stop on David at Pine Street. Bicycles run the stop on David at Pine Street.
3. We have occasional cut through traffic that speed around a blind corner at the top of Devisadero coming from the direction of highway 68. Otherwise we have no real concerns. Traffic on Prescott and David Avenues are fine.
4. The city needs to better enforce traffic regulations including speeding and parking on sidewalks.
5. Thanks for the concern. Few make full stop at Pine and David. Very poor visibility at all intersections. Need red curbs. Too many on cell phones at fast rate of speed on David and Prescott. Too many big SUVs block intersections - can't see cross traffic. Good luck in helping us!
6. I have trouble getting off Lobos onto Prescott at 8 am. DLI people backed up blocking my exit and visibility. Dangerous!
7. Speeds on Parcel are excessive
8. I like my street without sidewalks
9. One way traffic on Lighthouse only benefits PG residences not local New Monterey residents. These nonresidents cut thru traffic vehicles often block Lighthouse. Traffic stops so traffic with green lights at cross streets can not cross!
10. We love the "rural" atmosphere, but cars travel too fast on both Prescott and David - More stop signs on David particularly! Thank you!
11. David Ave. is a scary street to park at (getting out of car). An even scarier street to cross. There are inadequate street lights. Need more lighted crosswalks.
12. The lights at Lighthouse and Hoffman and Lighthouse and Prescott do not allow the large amount of traffic on Foam to make left turns at the intersection without sitting thru multiple intervals of traffic signals. This is especially bad in late afternoon when the working man is heading home.
13. Speeding is rampant.
14. We who live on Pine Street between David & Dickman suffer from cut-through traffic at high speeds. This situation could be improved by traffic calming: 1. Restore parking to both sides of street 2. Neck downs at intersections 3. Increased enforcement, we never see enforcement here. Thanks for listening!
15. The people who voted not to widen the 700 block of Newton now wish they hadn't.
16. I live on Taylor Street and get traffic at excessive speed on my block.
17. Several stop lines on side streets are not back far enough from Prescott and cars stop protruding into the main lanes. Frightening as you are driving along! Curvature and parking as Prescott approaches Forest (68).
18. Some of the streets are narrow and everyone has 2 or more cars per household. I see many trucks that park on the sidewalks to avoid any collisions.
19. No concern
20. Frequent rolling thru stop sign at Pine and David or Prescott. The parking issues that I'm concerned about are: Cars that park in front of my house are not moved for several weeks. Frequent parking of commercial vehicles (large trucks) in front of the vacant lot across the street. Also UHaul trucks.
21. The visibility is very poor on Prescott St. when you want to turn to this street from other streets because the cars parking by the Prescott block you vision.
22. It is dangerous to walk in our neighborhood because of the lack of sidewalks. Cars cutting through frequently go entirely too fast. Off street parking is a huge problem. People ignore no parking signs and often block driveways.
23. Re-open routes through Presidio!
24. Would like to have City of Monterey provide such a survey for New Monterey resident concerns on Lighthouse St. Traffic etc. - This is a "huge" concern!!! as well!!! if not more!!!
25. David and Prescott are streets I use very seldom.
26. We have witnessed a number of dangerous instances where cars have rolled through stop signs failing to completely stop and yield @ Prescott and Pine, Hawthorne and Hoffman. Our other concern is running red lights - specifically on Lighthouse Ave and Foam. Cameras may be an excellent solution.

27. I have lived on Hawthorne St. for 67 years. Now I am unable to have my friends visit me for lack of parking. I live on the 500 block. It is very sad.


29. Large vehicles parked at corners impact visibility

30. The crosswalk on Jesse and Prescott is not safe. We have had people drive around stopped traffic while my children and I were crossing. Need sidewalks.

31. We like the streets with no sidewalks

32. This is true of all of Monterey - excessive speeding, failing to signal turns, running red lights, cutting in - just plain rudeness. Large vehicles (e.g. moving vans) attempt to turn into narrow streets from Prescott, creating a scary situation. Police often assist in traffic control, for which I am grateful.

33. Traffic congestion #1 problem. Potholes in streets. Not marked paint or faded.

34. David Ave & Prescott is the only time-saving route for commercial and residential traffic between New Monterey and the business area of PG (stores and shops). Because of this, the "noise" is excessive for those who live on or near David Ave. (+unsafe). This is also a "mini-highway" since law enforcement does not regularly enforce the speed limit on David Ave, as it should. Instead, law enforcement is always seen ticketing residents traveling to/from work on Lighthouse which is a non-residential speed trap. Priority of speed control (=safety) should take place on David Ave., not Lighthouse.

35. Would like to see Newton between Prescott and Hoffman widened.

36. Sidewalks only on Prescott from Taylor to Forest in Pac Grove. Need better signing to prevent entering dead-end block by mistake. I only ride public transit in big cities where efficient subways and light rails are built. If Monterey were building townhomes/lofts/condos downtown, I would move and consider public transit.

37. Better police protection for residents to stop excessive speed on David. Drop speed to 25 mph instead of 30 mph. It's unsafe & dangerous. There is no walkway from one area to another side of street. Prescott does. No one stops when you want to cross the street. Cars can't drive to David from Jesse no other drivers.

38. I work in Seaside at the old Fort Ord hospital. The initial merge lanes from Rt. 1 are dangerous. There are frequent accidents. New signs and striping would easily correct.

39. Answers given apply to David and Prescott Streets only. Not other side streets in this neighborhood side streets being considered would give totally different answers.

40. I think a couple more stop signs on David Ave. would slow traffic some. Mostly traffic flows okay. More sidewalks would be nice.

41. What happened to the Lighthouse Destination Plan?

42. I walk daily. I've never seen a veh. Actually stop for a ped. At the cross walk at Lily & Prescott. Trying to cross David is fatal!

43. Trim bushes at intersections, especially on Prescott. Taylor St. gate to Presidio is a mess. Army needs a big gate on Hwy 68.

44. People not stopping at stop signs is becoming a real problem in our neighborhood. Also intersection at Dickman & Lighthouse is a "killing field" waiting to happen. Lighthouse Ave. is a joke. It's so over traveled the city should really put pressure on Army to reopen the Presidio.

45. P.S. I'm sorry to say I've never driven!

46. "Non resident" cut through traffic that travel at higher than "normal" speed. Where there is a stop sign in one direction it would feel better if there was a sign the other direction as well. A 4 way stop.

47. The traffic on Lighthouse Ave. is horrendous. From 7:30 am to 8:00 am there should be a traffic controller. People coming up from Reeside to enter the Presidio take all the lane trying to get into the right lane into the Presidio. People trying to go to Monterey have to wait from 3 to 4 stop lights to make it past that area. Everyday from 3 pm on intersections on Lighthouse Ave. is blocked - you can never enter on.

48. As you know by now we are over crowded in the peninsula. The solution stop building new homes.

49. On Newton between Irving Ave, and Prescott should be parking only on one side as you can hardly get down the street.

50. Bicycles should not be allowed on Prescott! Or David!

51. Cars speeding on Jesse and Devisadero from Prescott to Hill Top Park is a problem.

52. People still tend to speed on street between Prescott and Irving (a speed bump or two would work wonders!)
53. Would love to see crosswalks painted on street all the way down Hoffman. Our sons go to school at Bayview and we won't let them walk because of the lack of obvious crosswalk paint and signs. Also it is hard to cross Prescott. Taylor, Jessie and Belden are just about the only places with crosswalks. Thanks!

54. I think it is a good idea to have Lighthouse Ave and Hawthorne St be one-way streets.

55. Please consider more islands (like Oak @ Irving) and other traffic slowing devices (speed bumps?). Traffic on Pine, David, Prescott and even Lily St. is too fast - dangerous for neighbors, children, pets and parked cars. Thank you!

56. All the money that the city spent to have all the stop signs designed and installed was wasted by 9/11. Now every car must stop in the neighborhood for no good reason, wasting fuel, brakes, creating more pollution and noise. Does anyone remember the logic of doing that? Shouldn't all of those stop signs be no removed? Ask the PH.D you hired to answer that question. P.S. you have done a great job! Especially dealing with the Lighthouse traffic control. Thanks!

57. People regularly go thru the stop signs located at Pine and Prescott and Pine and David. Skateboarders ride down the middle of both Prescott and David sometimes in the middle of the street crouching down even at night. Very dangerous situation. Bicycles speed down hills without stopping at any stop signs. Possibly more police patrol needed.

58. Oncoming traffic coming down Prescott Avenue tend to speed at a dangerous level.

59. It would be nice to see more speed control/enforcement

60. Please address congestion on Lighthouse

61. Is great to know that you are willing to improve public transit service.

62. Visibility at the intersection of Oak & Irving is impaired due to Uhaul vehicles parked near this corner. Please monitor this activity.

63. We favor speed-radar signs that say "you are going xx mph." They work. Do not favor stop signs. Street striping throughout Monterey needs better maintenance.

64. Thank you for your interest and goal to improve the traffic on these two streets.

65. Ever since "no left-turns" are allowed off of Lighthouse Ave. the traffic has greatly increased on David Avenue. It sometimes takes a long time to make the left turn off Lighthouse Ave. onto David Ave. Would like the City to allow some left-turns off Lighthouse Ave. and install left-turn signals at those corners - I think this would greatly help reduce the traffic on David Ave.

66. Too much traffic on Hawthorne St. Have hard time getting out of my driveway because of the traffic.

67. I don't think cars should be allowed to park on David & Prescott Sts. You can't see if cars are coming when you try to cross these streets or even enter these streets.

68. School on Prescott could use help in getting traffic moving without endangering kids. Need one more way to get out - other than Lighthouse and 68.

69. Many dangers for wheel chairs, canes, blind: i.e. trees in walkway, uneven surfaces, trash cans in walkways. No safe area for bikes or scooters. Unnecessary stop signs Hoffman & Grace, probably in case street went through to Presidio. No continuous sidewalks up David to Forest.

70. Prescott & David traffic flow at 30 mph would be more realistic in my opinion.

71. Aquarium visitors park up as high as Spencer St. and take our limited parking.

72. Excessive traffic & speed are terrible problems! So glad you are taking an interest in our problems. Thanks you.

73. Too much foot traffic from DL1 people running up and down Prescott. They should have plenty of running room at the school.

74. Generally I don't see excessive speed but side streets do get some - perhaps put in speed bumps. Alice hill (steepness of grade) together with parking on both sides of street making through traffic difficult. Cars don't park close to shoulder and sometimes I can't even hardly squeeze through. This is especially late at night when everyone is at home in apartments. Thank you for the survey.

75. Need 4-way stop at corner of McClellan and Hawthorn. It is impossible to see approaching traffic when crossing Hawthorne from either direction.

76. Traffic speed is a major issue and there are only two crosswalks on David 1. Hawthorne & 2. Pine. There needs to be at least two additional crosswalks placed on David.

77. I am confined to a wheelchair and live on a hill. I cannot get to a bus stop. I would need a bus that stops at my house and brings me back. I have applied for RIDES several times. They have not responded. The visiting nurse (VNA) have applied for me, again no response. Is there such a bus that comes to the house?
There is way too much traffic on David Ave. (A substantial increase in the past two years) There should be more "stop" signs along David Ave. Currently there's only one at Pine & David. Also, there should be a law that prohibits vehicles parking so close to a corner. It really makes it hard to see cars when you're trying to cross an intersection. I've witnessed "almost accidents" many times on David & Oak. Also, many people do not stop at a stop sign in the neighborhood.

Police cross guards should be posted at Bay View in order to ensure our children's safety.

I am losing vision (retinitis pigmentosa) so street safety and public transportation will be very important in ten years. (I am 64 yrs old this year) Thank you for planning ahead!

People cut up our street (Lyndon) to get to David or Prescott. They go very fast especially around the corner. I'm so scared for my children who play in the street there (also for my cat) Signs would be great: slow children at play.

I think the traffic has grown since the closure to thru traffic via DLI. People are concerned about the new hotel traffic created in Cannery Row.

Many accidents + speeding need 4 way stop at Hawthorne and McClellan. Remove 90 minute parking limits on side streets so the residents can have our parking back. Fix street lites on Lighthouse. Poor traffic management. Go to old timed lites (re program) so everyone does not have to stop at every light every time.

Too many signs. I find that the City of Monterey should spend more time and effort insuring that the traffic signals are working properly. Many signals fall out of sync with neighboring signals and many stop traffic to allow pedestrian traffic to cross - when no pedestrians or cross traffic is present.

Would be helpful if stop signs were marked 2-way or 4-way. Sometimes bushes & trees block visibility (Prescott & Newton)

Traffic very heavy on Lily St. since people come off Gibson to go straight through to other main crossings - has feel of freeway! Street used a lot by trucks and large vehicles. Width of street much to narrow to park or drive safely, neighbors are now parking halfway on sidewalks. I think all of Lily on 800 Block should widen for safety!

Friends coming up Hoffman, Prescott, or David get lost looking for our street. Either they aren't signs or they're hard to see heading up the hill. 2. Going up Prescott, the light signal at the Taylor gate is annoying. Can we get rid of it? 3. Super annoying how many street names on the PG side of David don't match up with MRY streets of the same name like Pine and Lighthouse.

I am a retiree. All our children move away.

It would be great to have resident parking permits & spaces with tow away possible.

One is excessive speed on Prescott Ave. I have seen cars doing 45 mph in a 25 zone. Seen a number of animals hit. Second is the excessive traffic from the DLI. Come on, 9/11 is over. Start opening more gates to the base. Lastly, a lot of children cross Prescott to go to Cypress Park.

Excessive traffic speeds is my top concern.

I hate living by Prescott. If I did not like landlord and my house so much I couldn't tolerate it. The speeding, the noise, etc.

Route thru DLI a life safety issue for civilian residents. X-military can cut thru stop the discrimination! Some blocks and so narrow with parked cars that emergency equipment may not be able to get thru.

600 Block of Taylor Street needs a sidewalk for pedestrians to use. 2. The no parking law on the right side of Taylor Street toward DLI entrance needs to be strenuously enforced. It has been ignored blatantly for too many years. 3. Noise from guards & traffic (especially motorcyclists from DLI) gunning their motors very annoying!
102. I walk & use my car sparingly so don't think I would use public transportation. If I did want to I think I can use it the way it is.

103. Too afraid to even let the dog in front yard due to speed of traffic. Because my home is located by the only stop sign on David it is impossible to back out of driveway - traffic will not allow it. The hit the people at the stop sign going up hill and will not sop or slow for cars backing or on side streets - I come and go from the alley to avoid traffic problems. If the alley accommodated parking it would be easier to get in and out of property - Ally Line St is under used by residents. I have lived here 966 David for 10 yrs. The traffic has increased so much since the only left turn off of Lighthouse makes everyone use David as the route in and out of MTV & to HWY 68. The noise is horrible! I hope that help is on the way before I am force to relocate!

104. Cannot see around corner at Drake & Pine Streets when large SUV and dump wagon are parked near stop sign. Recommend a red curbing.

105. The intersection of Laine and Prescott is the scene of many accidents - largely because drivers expect a four way stop and get hit. Also drivers on Prescott mistakenly stop at the crosswalk and other drivers honk at them. Bayview school children cross there - Drivers should be forced to stop, even though they do so a Prescott and Belden. A review of police reports of traffic accidents at this corner will verify this issue.

106. Main thorough fare David Ave. is very busy. People run the stop sign at David & Pine all the time.

107. The city needs to trim & groom their trees!!! With the taxes we pay, this should be done. The city does not groom the trees unless there is a storm and we lose power or someone dies by a branch or tree falling on them!!! What is keeping the system so areprae. You can not depend on the beauty of this area to sustain it. This is a much greater concern than traffic!!!

108. People need to come to a complete stop. And why do some people like to spin out and make noise after their stop.

109. I don't have any problems with the current state of traffic on either David or Prescott. I would not be in favor of any additional impediments to traffic flow on either street.

110. Very dark @ top of Prescott near Forest. Drop the speed limit on both David and Prescott to 25 very dangerous for bicyclists. Top of both streets are very dark but Prescott because of its winding close to Forest is more dangerous = better lighting. Use PD to control speed.

111. Traffic seems to be busy on Prescott & David only at 9 am and 5 pm. As a whole, this neighborhood is relatively quiet traffic and pedestrians. Thank you for your kind survey.

112. Visibility Laine to Prescott. People park the wrong way on the street. The streets on a whole are great! Good job!

113. Would like another way to get to the side of Monterey.

114. Lack of stop signs on Archer and corner of Newton and Hoffman mean people drive as if they were on the freeway.

115. I would like to see curbs like upper Roosevelt on all cross-streets. The last street "upgrade" was a farce!

116. More public transportation! Open DL1 to local traffic!!! (both car & foot - with special permits)

117. Our concern is with the proper labeling of stop signs as "two way" stops. As we get between 5-20 people per day running our stop sign. The non-yielding street is blind in both directions and are therefore at great risk of being T-boned by people running the stop. There is also a great deal of pedestrians on the street, as sidewalks are not prevalent in this area. Pedestrians are mostly children, pet owners w/dogs & soldiers. We are on Hoffman, which receives a lot of traffic from those wishing to avoid police & heavy traffic on Prescott.

118. The end of Spencer St. & David, when crossing the street, NONE! (visibility) I would say no parking for 100 ft both ways. When crossing David on most of the streets the visibility is terrible. I know many people and have almost gotten in bad accidents!

119. Trim your bushes! My husband and I carpool to work because we get door to door service.

120. Thank you. MST: Increased service on Lighthouse will not be used by many residents unless it also runs up the hill. There is no "park & ride" facility near it. Many of us can't walk back up the hill.

121. At some corners (actually many) you can't see cars coming when cars parked are blocking visibility. Again, making left turns onto Prescott, one cannot see oncoming traffic when the cars parking are blocking the visibility. I'm not sure how you could address this problem. Thank you.

122. No left turns on Lighthouse and new one ways make it hard to get in and out of your own neighborhood and Lighthouse businesses might be suffering. Would like to see at corners make a car only spot at the corners. Trucks and SUV's block vision at corners. Very dangerous when you can't see.

123. I personally find David a wonderful street to drive on and do not see excessive speed as a problem. Please do not add more stop signs.
124. Lack of lighting at night for walking. Street lights not being maintained/checked for workability on a "regular" basis. Cars travel regularly at excessive speeds around blind curves, i.e. curve at Hoffman where it dead-ends into Lyndon. Use to have a 15 mph posted sign but was ran into and taken out a few times by speeding cars. So don't see that posted sign anywhere now?

125. Streets wide enough. Most intersections have good visibility. Pavement good both avenues. Only intersection where right-of-way is "chancy" is David and Pine.

126. Drivers speed and are impatient on Prescott. It's difficult for me to get in and out of my driveway which is on Prescott. Visibility is poor as I pull out. But the worst is slowing down to pull in to my driveway and cars behind me tailgate, honk, curse, get angry at me for trying to go home. Coming home on a weekend is stressful for this reason. Thank you for doing this survey!

127. Their have been numerous near miss accidents at the corner of Hoffman & Laine. It seems that Laine traffic emerges into Hoffman believing that there is a 4 way stop. Perhaps this could be considered. Thank you very much for this survey.

128. Stop signs on Spencer not used correctly, dangerous - lots of fender benders.

129. Since the City raised the speed limit on David, it is not unusual to see traffic move at 35-40 mph. I personally seen traffic at 50 mph! How about one of those signs that flashes speed? Some on street parking severely limits visibility when I try to back out of driveway. No commercial truck parking at Cal-An (on David). Sometimes trucks are left there for weeks (Intero & Buyer's Real Estate).

130. I have major concerns with speed on Prescott. We have many young children walking to and from Bayview School. I would like to see Prescott more heavily patrolled for speed.

131. Living on Alice is difficult to find parking at Alice/Irving. Cars park facing wrong direction, block parts of driveways, take 2 clearly marked stalls, park on big hill. I don't think it's very safe to back down a hill when there are no street lights and cars are blocking road. More police citation/traffic patrol please.

132. Motorcycles too fast

133. Over the past approx 3 months I've noted an increase in Monterey PD beat patrol passes day and night. A definite improvement - the speed limit on David, it is not unusual to see traffic move at 35-40 mph. I personally seen traffic at 50 mph! How about one of those signs that flashes speed? Some on street parking severely limits visibility when I try to back out of driveway. No commercial truck parking at Cal-An (on David). Sometimes trucks are left there for weeks (Intero & Buyer's Real Estate).

134. Lighthouse Ave. heavy traffic, narrow lanes, daily bottleneck, confusing for new comers since left turns are prohibited but often ignored. Sgst: prohibit parking along large sections on uphill side and allow for a left turn lane at intervals going N on Lighthouse.

135. Street parking btw David and Prescott is a nightmare for residents. Street width, when both sides of the street are full of parked cars, barely accommodates two-way traffic. Visibility is poor on side streets (heading on to David and/or Prescott) and 4-way stops would be safer, especially on Laine St. However, street width on David hasn't been a problem for us - it seems like a nice, wide street.

136. In a matter of two weeks two cars on our street were hit by other cars. Street bumps would probably help with speed.

137. Since Presidio closure traffic in New Monterey is terrible

138. Too many vehicles on Lighthouse speed too fast in tunnel. Re-open Pine St. & Presidio in straight alignment from Pine to High. Isolate from Presidio either above or below ground level. Make thru-way of Soledad, High, Pine Mntry & Pine in P.G. for fast and efficient movement of traffic from hiway 1 to Point Pinos or George Washington Park.

139. For the most part, I don't have any traffic issues apart from one. On street parking on Laine makes it very hard to see if traffic is coming when I am at the stop going uphill on Drake. I have to pass the stop limit to see if it is safe to proceed.

140. Traffic is absurd in the mornings and afternoons due to the limited access to the Presidio. Why not have more entrances/exits at peak times - closed during off peak - This would help w/ Prescott, Franklin & Taylor backups.

141. Our main concern is non resident on street parking. Parking is extremely tight especially during summer months. We would like to see resident permit parking on our block the 700 block of Laine.

142. Re-open Pine Street to High Street through the DLIII! Enforce no parking within 50 feet of intersection for SUVs, trucks and vans. Bad visibility issue from side streets to access Prescott and David!

143. The situation is a lot worse since Sharon Dwight and her cohort pushed through the multiplicity of stop signs on alternate streets!

144. Thanks for the survey!
145. Large potholes with speeders - problems! It always has been busy but now David Ave. is a war zone - the
speeders never get caught - they speed all of daytime up the hill if you can believe it - big truck (SUV type with
diesel engines) I have yelled multiple times as my life is jeopardized walking my dog.
146. I have personally witnessed speeders (50 mph) passed by worse (70+ mph) speeders going downhill at Prescott
between Terry and Grace!! I've stopped trying to groom the parking on the Prescott side of my property
because of the relentless, no fear, no respect for pedestrians or pets on Prescott Ave. One motorcycle officer
spent 2-3 hours at Prescott and Terry a few months ago, and that is all the traffic enforcement I've witnessed. I
called up to that officer to thank him for being there. We need help!!
147. David Ave. is mostly a housing area. Large trucks not only speed and make a lot of noise. They also have
damaged the street.
148. Traffic is well managed. No real concerns in my neighborhood other than Lighthouse Ave. backing up - too
slow, etc.
149. There often is speeding at crossroads off Hawthorne Avenue there is also speed from David onto
Hawthorne. Crossing the street can be dangerous.
150. David and Prescott Aves need traffic control devices and cross walks so that pedestrians can safely cross these
streets. Speeds have been clocked at over 50 mph on both David and Prescott. Without action by the city
to reduce speeds someone will be killed.
151. Ever since the closure of the Presidio, traffic in Monterey has been horrific. The one-way streets w/ the no-left-
turn signs waste a lot of gas and ultimately cause more traffic when people see they have to go blocks past their
destination to turn. If you give people directions to take Foam Street, they often get lost and waste more gas.
152. Thanks for asking
153. Thank you for the survey!
154. The worse problem I've come across is when at a stop sign, because of either parked cars near the intersection
or tall shrubbery not being able to see if cars are coming up or down the streets. I actually got ticketed after
having stopped at a stop sign, then slowly rolling forward until I could see if anyone was coming when a police
car came up the hill. She assumed I hadn't stopped.
155. I am most concerned about lack of sidewalks. The other major problem is the drop off lane on Prescott for
Bayview Elementary. I don't know how to fix it - but is certainly dangerous. Thank you!
156. The biggest problem is caused by DLI. Until the Presidio re-opens, the traffic problems will increase to the
point of total failure. While the city struggles to find a solution, DLI ignores the citizens it professes to be
protecting and expanding its presence in our community, forcing more and more traffic onto streets not equipped
to handle the volume. The Presidio has outgrown its site.
157. I have noticed that traffic is getting worse everyday. I think what city need is a designated parking area for the
employees that are working in the area. Study parking area before you approve new businesses.
158. My street is quiet. Traffic conditions on Lighthouse Ave are terrible. Many evenings after work I wait through
light after light to get from Foam onto Prescott. I also feel trapped having only 2 roads to exit the area in case
of an emergency - if one of them should be unusable it would be a disaster.
159. Biggest problem by far is no access through Presidio. My solution: get the language school out of here and turn
the Presidio into a city park - with access from New Monterey on Pine Avenue, Van Buren and one other street.
That would relieve traffic on David and Prescott - also on Lighthouse. Move language school to Fort Ord, or to
Fresno.
160. Parked cars block view.
161. Thank you for diverting traffic from our corner (Hawthorne/Reeside)!!! Life is so much better now! All cars
going up Rees9de from the stop sign at the corner speed - I guess they think the hill is fun to speed up!
162. Cross St of Prescott & Irving at Filmore street narrow cars parked wrong direction. Cars parked too many days
without moving. Cars parked too close across street.
163. Traffic flow out on New Monterey is terrible. There are to many signal intersections on Lighthouse Ave. The
signals are not synchronized for fast flow through Lighthouse Ave.
164. I would like to ride the MST, but I don't know their stop points (pick-up/drop-off), costs, or routes/destinations.
165. I've sent ideas to you re: heavy traffic on Lighthouse 4 pm-6 pm and weekends. Ringing ones hands and
whimpering about not being able to do anything about it is sad. Buy the access through the Presidio instead of
the "window on the bay." One is just for show the other is about every persons safety and access to medical
care, restaurants, and commercial enterprises, etc, etc. Didn't we annex the baseball fields? You are currently
allowing more condos and businesses without improved access or water. Is this a joke? Rick Marvin is "great,"
he could create a plan.
166. Non-sedan vehicles (trucks, SUVs, etc) should not be allowed to park within 50 feet of any intersection - block oncoming traffic visibility - very dangerous!

167. I feel the persons in charge of the public safety for our neighborhood streets got his degree in a cracker jack box because it sucks.

168. Please consider installing speed bumps, striping them, and have signs up alerting drivers to them (see Joselyn Canyon). Cheap and more feasible than traffic islands, artificial beads in the road. I much appreciate any attempt to tame traffic on my street (the 1400 block of Prescott Ave). Crossing the street there, (with speeding traffic up and down) requires extra life insurance. Thanks again.

169. Why is it we have no parking rights on the street for home owners? No permits? And only on this street! We have all the wait people and bartenders from Cannery Row - We have witnessed some of these people urinating in front of our neighbors home in front of there little girls who live there in there home on Laine St. Any more questions don't hesitate to call - 372-6175.

170. Two car family. Easier, more convenient with auto.

171. The congestion on Prescott in the morning is awful. We get stuck 3 blocks from the Taylor gate corner, have almost gotten hit by soldiers running the red light, or stuck when they block the intersection. My husband has been hit twice in that intersection when on his bike - with the right of way.

172. We already have sidewalks and fair parking - I would be opposed to removing any sidewalks or parking spots. Heading up the hill, the setting sun lines up perfectly w/ Prescott Ave. The recent storm really highlighted the dangers of having only 2 roads to leave the peninsula. The DLJ really needs to be opened back up. If the defense dept. cannot comply, perhaps they need to be invited to find a new place to work.

173. I do not want curbs, gutters and sidewalks in upper New Monterey but would like a systematic enforcement program to eliminate parking into the paved surface.

174. Speeds are sometimes a concern but the major issue is visibility when crossing streets due to vehicles (especially large truck and SUVs) parking at the street corners, obliterating the view of intersecting traffic. Other issue is parking of RVs and boats on public streets. Owners moving these vehicles every 72 hrs to avoid tickets was not the intent of the governing ordinance.

175. Excessive traffic speed is a major problem on both streets.

176. I walk in upper New Monterey on a regular basis between Sea View & Terry St.s and Hoffman & David St.s 1 can always count on traffic stopping for me on the interior sts. However rarely if ever will any cars stop for me on Prescott St. The only intersection where a car may stop for me is Jessie St. with the new striping. We need more striped crosswalks at other intersections also. Also homeowners allow shrubs to grow out and over the side walks what can be done?

177. Speeds and visibility at top of Prescott. Remove at least one of the stops on Prescott. I find the questionnaire confusing - the preamble would indicate the survey is specifically about David & Prescott streets, while the questions seem to be geared to the neighborhood in general.

178. Speeding is the biggest problem

179. Many drivers use these 2 streets for daily routine. Other drivers use the residential cross streets as thru-way short cuts because many intersections lack stop signs to slow down or interrupt the speed of others. At Archer/Hoffman there are numerous near misses because north/south traffic doesn't realize that east/west traffic has no stop sign. Please put up a stop sigh at this intersection. How much could it cost?

180. We would like to have sidewalk on Lottie Street

181. Even if I have right of way, I still worry about others missing a stop sign due to poor visibility or negligence

182. Visitors parking in residential areas - Aquarium visitors. Yes! Parking on Belden St. & above. Need more parking for them down by the Aquarium!!

183. Would love to see resident parking only. The tourists take up all of the parking on weekends and the Aquarium workers and others park here all week so we have no place to park.

184. My main concern is that visibility making a right or left turn from Lottie Street onto David is difficult due to parked cars obstructing view. I don't think parking should be allowed on David Ave. close to the intersections.

185. Neighborhood is quiet

186. There is too much parking allowed that blocks viewing oncoming traffic that is often going too fast. David Ave. is broadly considered a speedway.

187. Excessive traffic speed (and noise) is a big problem on Hawthorne St. from David to Dickman. More of the traffic should be on Lighthouse which is not a residential street like Hawthorne.

188. I am semi-disabled and cannot walk up or down the hill to the bus stop located at the corner of David and Lobos St.
189. A new street at base of DLI extend Hawthorne to go through bottom of DLI
190. Sidewalks are needed to keep kids from walking on the street has they go down to the Hill Top Park.
191. Poorly made survey! No cross walks on David between Alice St. & Forest. Children walking to school have no safe place to cross David. Visibility turning from Alice St. on to Prescott blocked by hedges. Speeding cars up Alice St. Failure to stop at sign on Alice & Irving.
192. Hope this survey helps. Seems too basic to help much.
193. Many non-residents use Devisadero as a (frequently high speed) cut-through from David to Prescott or visa versa. A stop sign or speed bump might be helpful!
194. Bus/truck noise and excessive speed on David Ave are biggest concern/problem!
195. If you are serious about solving the New Monterey traffic problems, start with greater speed enforcement on Prescott Ave./Hoffman. Next, consider changing the flow direction of Lighthouse, making Lighthouse Ave. a one way flow. Finally, work with the DLI and Presidio to increase penalties for students and faculty as most traffic problems in our neighborhood stem from this segment of the population.
196. We have many large trucks (personal pickup trucks) driving from Prescott to David via Alice St. They are almost always going too fast. From Prescott they stop just short of the crest of the hill down to David. All in all, this neighborhood is often treated as a thoroughfare, and not a residential area. I highly recommend speed bumps prior to the stop sigh that is just at the top of the down grade on Alice Street.
197. The rain gutter that runs along the edge of the street in front of my driveway is so deep that my car bottoms out almost every time I exit or enter my driveway. This is an unsafe and potentially dangerous situation, not to mention a "lawsuit waiting to happen," especially for cars entering my driveway without being aware of the huge dip. This is my #1 concern about the street conditions near my house.
198. There should be better sidewalks in neighborhood.
199. Folks in my city block also park recklessly, often blocking visibility at traffic intersections, making it dangerous to cross. Others park on the opposite side of the street, facing the wrong way. Some folks even park in ways that reduce the street width - especially on the steep grade of Alice between Irving and Withers. This makes it dangerous to pass, especially when there's traffic in two directions on that steep section.
200. "Round" obstruction meant to reduce traffic @ Oak at Newton is a problem to get around when some parks a car or boat in the parking spot. Prescott traffic jams @ Presidio Gate is a real problem at morning rush. Hoffman at Lily and up has a lot of speeding up and down steep hill. Lily at David coming from Prescott crossing to PG has very low visibility to cross traffic due to fence lines. Have to extend nose of car into David traffic.
201. I would like a traffic calming study conducted for New Monterey neighborhood. Replacing the two-way stop controlled intersections in New Monterey with traffic circles designed for neighborhood traffic would make our neighborhood safer. The cities of Portland and Seattle have many good examples of traffic circles in local neighborhoods. Sidewalks in New Monterey are typically narrow and walking space is often encroached upon by trash cans, cars and other obstacles.
202. We live near a stop sign, yet still cannot pull out of our driveway at heavy traffic times because people don't really stop and then punch the accelerator through the intersection.
203. Lottie Street parallel to Taylor is often used as detour by the city. This encourages those in a hurry or late to work to speed on Lottie to beat others on Prescott to Taylor stop lights at other times. Many ignore posted signs and run the same.
204. Running the stop sign at Cypress & Irving happens too much. I have counted at least 5 to 10 cars a day.
205. Sidewalks - namely access to Forest Ave. from Prescott
206. Living up here since 1956 (over 50 years) have seen much change - traffic runs on cycles - we can go hours without any traffic. Must take a taxi to get down the "hill" but on the level use bus transportation available. Love the quiet but also miss all the woods cut down.
207. Thanks for doing the survey!
208. We need to open the Presidio gates to alleviate some of the Lighthouse/Prescott/David traffic
209. MST: The ideal would be to have a loop route, going up Franklin, crossing Taylor, and going down Prescott or David. I would love to leave my car in the garage and use my bike more often but that steep hill prevents me from doing so. The existing bus routes are too infrequent and inconvenient for me to use currently. A service, similar to the "wave" that could serve us up on the hill could eliminate much of the car traffic.
210. Speed of traffic main concern
211. Striping and width of lane on Pine St, when turning from Prescott onto Pine is too narrow and tight a turn - going up Prescott + turning right into Pine St. Large trucks have trouble making and staying in their lane
without crossing over solid line in center of road. Some cross streets should have stop signs installed. (4 way stops)

212. Thanks for asking! My main concern lies with driver safety. I park my vehicles on the street in front of my house (1140 David Ave.) I have had to replace 2 sideview mirrors ($100+ each) & a few taillights ($160 each). All of them have happened at night while I am sleeping. I am close enough to the street to hear somebody's conversation as they are walking down the sidewalk, so I would hear the sound of somebody hitting my car or truck. On November 23rd @ 2300 hours, a drunk driver on his 3rd DUI conviction struck 3 parked cars consecutively, totaling all three (one of which was a 1973 BMW that I had just finished restoring, but that is another ball of wax). The driver later told me that he had been drinking @ the British Bulldog on Lighthouse & they let him drive home. Maybe, there should be a few police cars monitoring the traffic coming out of the bars on Lighthouse to shag some drunk drivers. I have seen 10+ cars staged behind Alvarado at night waiting to pick off the drunks. Also, how about having a cop that posts somewhere OTHER than the stop sign on David Ave. It is predictable to anybody who uses it on a regular basis that 99% of the time an officer is present, that is their location. This might be helpful to have cars posted at night too on David. I am certain that the damage to my cars were from drunk or distracted drivers. Hopefully this helps a little. I work in public safety and have a genuine concern for peoples well being living on these roads. Thanks for reading.

213. I have put in a NIP suggestion re sidewalks on Prescott - I don't think #1 will elicit valid data on that issue - it's too broad.

214. 4-way stop signs to caution/slow downhill speeders.

215. The 700 block of Newton is too narrow. It is unsafe turning from Prescott when another car is at the stop sign.

216. Intersects Prescott and Cypress and Prescott & Lilly. Growing tree between Cypress and Filmore block viewing downhill traffic on steep part of Prescott, uphill from Filmore that's a "1" very dangerous and most serious problem. Periodic speeding on downhill travelers. Child play on Cypress St.

217. I live at the corner of Hoffman & Archer where children cross the street to board the school bus. There needs to be a four way stop and yellow pedestrian crossing sign and there is nothing. Some body could be easily hit by a car! Thx

218. Visibility at David Ave and Laine Street corner is very poor due to cars parked along David Ave. Drivers speed up and down David Ave too.

219. Excessive traffic speeds on David, Hoffman and Prescott very bad and no police. Limit should be 25 mph at least down - hill!! 2. WAVE could be free, all year or with donation. Very important also because of little parking downtown and custom house area. Also could extend to Aqahito & Delmonte

220. We need speed control in 800 block of Jessie. Kids and families use park frequently, there is a school bus stop at Hilltop Park and cars speed along the street cutting between David + Prescott

221. Parking on both sides of the street - too narrow. Most do not stop at stop signs. I live between Prescott and David and if a fire engine was needed there are times they couldn't get thru. 85% of the people run the stop sign at Irving and Terry.

222. I would like "roundabouts" like in other areas of Monterey to slow some traffic. There have been 4 accidents at Prescott and Lottie or Taylor since I've lived here. Prescott needs sidewalks and drainage at Lottie and Prescott. We would like to see public transportation developed. There should be another gate for the DLI at HWY 68

223. We are trapped on Belden during high traffic time through the tunnel. Please - let's get DLI to open up again and let us drive through as residents to Franklin.

224. Afternoon rush hour cut-through traffic is really a BIG problem - have seen people block intersections completely.

225. People drive too fast on David Ave. and we hardly see any police pulling people over.

226. We bicycle a fair amount. Would rather do that than use public transport. We hear cars spinning out after stopping at the stop sign on the corner of Irving/Terry.

227. Use of the permanent speed display signs on David Ave. should reduce speeds.

228. The biggest concern we have is access to and from our home. Weekends, summer afternoons, power outages, etc. cause terrible back ups Lighthouse and getting to Lighthouse. 2. People must be ticketed for blocking intersections. 3. People should also be ticketed, year round, for turning left in front of cars with the right of way. This tends to be those coming from the bay to Lighthouse. In some cases, they don't stop!

229. Residents who park their cars halfway on the street and halfway on the sidewalk take up most of the sidewalk resulting in having to either walk on peoples lawns or on the street. 2. People that park their vehicles (especially

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SUVs and trucks) on the corners of intersections make it extremely difficult to see oncoming cars. You have to pull halfway out into the street before you can see a car coming. Extremely Dangerous!

230. There are a few cars and motorcycles that are way to loud on this street.
231. I have a child attending Bay View Elementary School. Every day I arrive 5-10 mins early to get a parking spot and everyday I witness many, many cars either rolling through stop signs or running through them - 2 cars at a time!! This occurs before and after school lets out around the immediate school and also a couple blocks in every direction! Cars are also speeding so fast all around the school and in the whole neighborhood - Its so dangerous when cars are speeding down to reach Lighthouse Ave!
232. Residents on David Ave. park on Jessie very close to intersection which blocks visibility. No parking signs are so faded they can't be seen; never enforced.
233. Different yield/stop patterns at neighborhood intersections create a hazard. What one expects at each intersection changes.
234. Thank you for responding to the concerns of the neighborhood!
235. Thank you for looking at the congestion in my neighborhood. During the day the streets are crowded, the parking is overflowing and intersections are dangerous. Often I can hardly get in and out of my driveway due to cars parked so close to my driveway and across the street. Cars park right up to the stop signs, so visibility is poor at intersections.
236. We live up near DLI Taylor Gate - the impact of DLI traffic in the morning means that sometimes I can't get out of my street to run onto Prescott because DLI cars are backed up and block up my exit (right) or I can't see around the line of cars to safely turn left. DLI traffic also impacts travel time in the afternoon on Lighthouse or 68 (doubling and tripling travel time). The thought that there could be a substantial increase in DLI traffic is really of great concern. Ever since DLI closed our access, we have been impacted, to be worse impacted isn’t acceptable. It's time to seriously discuss finding a way for the DLI to allow us access through.
237. I love our city. The streets and traffic are safe. I have 4 kids. They all use the parks and walk and ride a bike. Things are well kept. Don't listen to all of the complaints. I have been here 25 years. It is awesome. Keep up the good work.
238. Lack of street parking is an issue. People end up parking on the sidewalk.
239. Please interfere quickly to save David Ave. from unbearable traffic noise and volume. The tires of some vehicles are shaking our house every minute. It has become miserable to live with these conditions. The amount of traffic on David Ave is extremely unbearable. The number of buses and heavy trucks is alarming. The house shakes with the number and speed of traffic. It is almost like a highway or a freeway. The noise pollution is very very alarming. Please find other channels for this every-day increasing traffic. The same 2 streets (David & Prescott) have been the main traffic channels for years. But the amount of traffic has increased hundreds of times and it is increasing every day. David Ave now is very noisy and very unsafe. Please, please interfere quickly. David Ave is being overused and the pavement is broken everywhere. Very low quality asphalt and when they added another layer a few years ago it was very cheap and did not last. I think as I mentioned before, the volume and heavy weight of buses and trucks are causing a severe disruption to normal life on David Ave. David Ave now is like a war zone.
240. There are a lot of cars parked in the sidewalk, especially on Oak St. Also boats parked in the street in New Monterey.
241. I live on Prescott Avenue and I don't think traffic is all that bad. The 25 mph speed limit is essential. I would like to see more enforcement of the speed limit. I used to live in Palo Alto and they have zero tolerance for speeding, especially on major arteries (Embarcadero Rd. for instance). On the way down the hill, from Forest to Taylor, there should be no parking in order to facilitate the morning DLI commute back-up. Thanks for doing the study!
242. We live on Cypress (800) block and the speeds are excessive.
243. Cypress St needs to be graded down ie: water from street runs in my driveway. Sidewalks need to be cemented and road should be wider.
244. Hoffman and Laine, almost get hit twice from cars not stopping on Laine St. I use Hoffman AM and PM. I have to stop on the hill, always young kids driving and running stop sign on Laine. If lived here 65 years.
245. I can barely push my single stroller on the "sidewalk" - It would be nice to be able to use either my single or double stroller. The path is not wide enough for a singe stroller. It is also not a smooth surface.
246. Please look at the traffic on Lighthouse. Lighthouse has become to busy. Cars stop right in the intersection blocking the cars crossing.
247. In the last 15 days there have been 2 accidents I witnessed. The speed needs to be slowed!! And we need crosswalks!!!

248. Since the Presidio's gate has been closed, yes, there has been much traffic on David & Prescott Ave. Not many children on our street of Pine St. What children there are, they do not play out on the street. My children are grown and out of the house, on their own.

249. Cars blocking sidewalks is a problem in this neighborhood.

250. On local streets, vehicles parked on road instead of the right-of-way shoulder. David Ave grade curvature and parked cars make it hard to pull off from Jessie, Lottie, Taylor, Terry, etc. Prescott visibility from Terry and Grace is limited. Scary to pull out into the travel lane or to cross Prescott.

251. Need more traffic patrols during afternoon and evening hours. Noisy motorcycles. Noisy leaf blowers.

252. Bus stop at corner of Drake on Lighthouse should be relocated to the 400 block and crosswalk eliminated on corner of Golf Store and Corner Store. Change would allow safer, better traffic flow at peak traffic hours.

253. Our observations: there is an overall increasing disrespect and lack of compliance with existing traffic laws. For example, cars parked in the wrong direction cars parked on Pine Street on the side marked "No parking" particularly the blocks between Prescott and McClellan, speeding, running stop signs (particularly at Spencer & McClellan and Archer & McClellan). Cars are permitted to park too close to the corners thereby preventing visibility. Also SUVs, vans, etc. that are parked close to corners prevent visibility. Too many multiple dwellings without adequate driveway and garage parking. We walk almost every evening canvassing the entire New Monterey neighborhood. Due to safety concerns, we recommend that skating/skateboarding be permitted only at the skateboard park. Recommendations: 1. Install speed monitoring devices 2. Meet regularly with the DLI leaders to develop and implement traffic education and reminders to the students that this is a residential area 3. Install 4-way stop at McClellan and Spencer 4. Paint a "red zone" of a few feet on each intersection to prevent cars from parking immediately adjacent to the intersection thereby preventing visual obstructions 5. Eliminate boat and RV parking thereby opening up more parking spaces for cars 6. Implement a traffic safety informational campaign at least 4 times a year - particularly when the DLI students move in and out. Thank you.

254. We're concerned about parked cars and vegetation that block drivers' views as they try to turn onto Prescott or David Streets.

255. The traffic signals on Taylor St. are dangerous and outdated! They need a signal giving pedestrians time to get across the street. I am not slow but drivers sometimes get impatient. Taylor St. is extremely busy 7 AM, 11-12 AM, 1 PM and 4 PM on. Prescott has a lot of foot traffic from DLI students. Same goes for the signal on Prescott and Forest Hill. Corner of Safeway. I've seen people and teens cross there and because they see the little man come on they think their safe - not so. there is not enough seconds to get across.

256. Being on this street was the worst move I have ever taken. Traffic is at a standstill in the morning and when they leave the DLI. They sometimes peel out and drive way to fast. People that can't go into the DLI are constantly using my driveway to turn around or to park someone up from there or drop someone off. It is extremely irritating and rude. It is a hassle to live here.

257. One thing I'd very much like to see would be for the whole peninsula to become more bike-friendly. Currently, there are precious few places to lock a bike. We need many more bike racks. The serpentine type like that at the aquarium is particularly nice because not only does it accommodate a wide variety of bicycle and lock types (many others don't) they are also fairly attractive in a sculptural sort of way. Availability of on-street parking is important to me as I have no garage or driveway, but there seems to be enough street parking available most of the time.

258. I live on Laine St. between Prescott and David. The biggest stress on parking comes from Cannery Row workers, the school, and the church. Unless the church is in service or the school is starting or ending, parking isn't too bad. Otherwise you have to park a block away which isn't too bad. I just wish you'd give more tickets for littering. The three groups I mentioned tend to use the street as a dumping ground. Certain corners, like Laine and Prescott and Laine and Hoffman allow parking too close to corners. Because of the steep grade when a car, especially an SUV, parks up close to the corner, it is impossible to see cross-traffic at the stop signs. Very often it is necessary to inch out almost into the middle of the intersection just to see if oncoming traffic is approaching. An easy solution is to add a buffer area of no parking. It's real easy to test, too. Get a van to park to check the geometry.

259. Prescott, much like David Ave. threatens to resident safety due to lack of controls. Frequent speeders downhill and uphill endanger those with driveways onto Prescott. With the only significant stop sign being at Pine St, the flow of traffic seems endless at times. Afternoon uphill traffic faces into direct sun. Very dangerous.
260. People parking with large portion of car in private drive, which makes it impossible to get in or out. Small red edges would be very helpful.

261. My main concern is the current volume of traffic on David & Prescott Aves since the closing of DLI. I realize this is out-of-your-hands but wonder if there is some way to improve the situation. As you may know Lighthouse Ave. has become exceptionally busy in the afternoons. We are therefore bicycling as much as possible and would support any improvements you feel would enhance cycling in the New Monterey area. Thank you for asking our opinion.

262. There was a car length red zone painted 4-5 years ago but needs at least 2 car length red zone for better visibility due to the hump on David (turning onto David from Lottie)

263. Visibility - stop sign on Lobos/Irving

264. I work all day - so I can't see a lot of the traffic issues. I thing the sidewalks are great - no trouble when I walk. It seems OK by the school - I see the children OK.

265. David & Filmore St and Prescott & Filmore St is a bad street. We would like to have it widen. Filmore Street is very narrow. Thank you.

266. Presidio closing cause excessive traffic on Prescott

267. Coming down Prescott St. it's so hard to get onto Lighthouse. Intersections are always blocked - they won't let you in - even to make a right turn - intersection completely blocked!

268. Sometime at sunset you cannot even see the road going up any of these streets. I think the cars in this neighborhood around 500 blk Oak - Newton Park go very fast on this narrow street. I don't like the way some cross street don't have stop signs and children can be crossing and cars are coming very fast because they do not have a stop sign. I live across the street from Oak-Newton Park - I watch them cross our narrow road because cars go fast on this street. They play at the park!!

269. Have seen numerous rolling stops at Pine and David and Pine and Prescott

270. Don't widen streets!!!! Coordinate with PG&E to make sidewalks wide enough around poles for wheelchair clearance and better yet, have PG&E bury all lines.

271. Better public transportation a whole for this area. The traffic on Lighthouse Ave. is busy. What about a round about. Get rid of the stop lights. Traffic on the round about has the right of way. Otherwise it is to the right!

272. I like to hear the sounds of traffic.

273. I live on David - the street is very busy. If the traffic could be spread out over several of the parallel streets I think the traffic impacts could be lessened for everyone. David Ave as a truck route does not seem appropriate use of residential streets, routing trucks to the highway and ten to 68 seems more appropriate.

274. If you want people to rank 1-6 and 1 is most sig, 0 should not indicate no concern. It doesn't make sense.

275. Lily St between Irving and David Ave. seems ready to be repaved. There is a big problem on the corner of David and Hawthorne - coming up David toward Hawthorne - If a car wants to turn left - the traffic backs up behind that car if he must wait for oncoming traffic - you cannot get around the stopped automobile because a stone sign holder nest to the large Cypress tree. Traffic backs up on Lighthouse and David Ave from Wave St.

276. Cars coming down hill on Prescott have no stops between Taylor and Pine!! That's a long way down hill. There should be at least one stop in between (Cypress or Lily) to slow down the autos roaring down the hill.

277. I have lived on Jessie Street (between David & Prescott) for 4+ years and I am still very unhappy with the speed of cars that use Jessie as a means to get t/from Hilltop park or as a cut through. With no blinking speed signs, speed bumps or traffic circles, there is no discouragement to drivers! Even the school bus was a major speeder going up the street!! Slow the cars down and the safety on the street increases! I ride my bike 2 days a week to work and use blinking lights, reflectors and bright clothing. I still have a major problem with being cut off by cars entering David Avenue from the side streets. I think the problem is the parking on David Ave, the lack of very noticeable white stop lines, makes drivers go out into David for a better look. For a biker that means into my direct path. Of the 22 miles I commute, the ride down David is my most dangerous part of the trip!

278. Speed enforcement would be nice as opposed to excessive stops for not coming to complete stop at Pine & David and …violations. Concentrate enforcement on collision causing violations.

279. Our biggest traffic concerns are related to the Presidio (DLI) These concerns exist on Prescott and Lighthouse Ave. We believe the military could do more to help mitigate these problems. (i.e. shuttles to the base, opening Pvt. Bobio Rd. to Pine for local use).


281. Speeding up and down Prescott Ave. is a major issue. Speeds over 45 mph are not uncommon. Also, it would be useful to open at least a walking route thru the Presidio to downtown Monterey.
282. Unaware of any key traffic issues in my neighborhood.
283. Can you do something about the traffic and noise in DLI?
284. Would love to have sidewalks on our Alice Street. We have lots of children in our neighborhood. God Bless!
285. Way to much long term extended parking of non-motorized vehicles i.e., boats & trailers, larger trailer mounted BBQs, large trailers, extra parking, street clogging of rental houses, etc.
286. The downward grade of Prescott to Lighthouse is almost impossible to street tame 30 mph
287. Street sign missing Lottie @ Prescott
288. I live one block from David St. In the same house for 55 years. With the 9 children we raised here, I've never had one accident. The traffic break while Presidio was open. I do cross David whenever I take a walk to P Grove. I feel that every driver is impatient while this old lady walks across. Prescott 2 blocks from here usually I drive to Monterey "O" no issue.
289. Are the streets only for people that live on them? Name a street other than David & Prescott that runs between Lighthouse & Holman Hwy? What short cuts are on David & Prescott? Have the city council walk these 2 streets from Lighthouse to Holman Highway. What plans do we have when the tunnel or Pacific St (by the tunnel) has an accident which closes the tunnel or Pacific St. for several hours between 6 am and 6 pm?
290. Visibility on David is a huge problem! RE: cars parked along side the curbs!!
291. Visibility at night
292. Shrubs on corners
293. We have no problems with the David Ave. & Prescott. We do have a problem that we can't drive thru the Presidio from New Monterey to Monterey
294. Cars race up and down Prescott and David - I never see a police car and I walk a lot. No one ever slows them down. I worry that children might be crossing these streets - The speed limit is completely ignored. Thank Heaven my children are grown and apparently most parents do drive their children rather than encourage their walking anywhere. An occasional police car in evidence might remind drivers that most of them are driving much too fast. Thank you.
295. Many surrounding streets have been widened, but ours hasn't (700 block). Streets are crowded and difficult to negotiate. Please consider our block for widening. Thank you!
296. Speeding traffic is the significant problem and needs to be controlled
297. I feel our neighborhood is safe. We as neighbors look out for each other.
298. On David Avenue Cal Am workers park their trucks too close to intersecting streets and one cannot see oncoming traffic. Parcel and Terry Streets are affected.
299. Concerned about excessive speed on David and Prescott
300. Things are fine for me as they are pretty much. David & Prescott can't be pure residential streets.
301. There is a crosswalk at Lily & Prescott cars don't even slow down or stop if you were going to cross.
302. Widen the streets. Parking is impossible because of all the smaller lots and people won't use their driveways.
303. Our neighborhood is pretty quiet.
304. Poles for utilities and signs in the sidewalk along David make pedestrian progress up & down the hill more challenging. How great it would be to get the poles behind sidewalk!
305. Open Presidio again would cut down on David/Lighthouse traffic
306. No on street parking for residents. Lighthouse workforce take all residential spots - please change this!
307. The problem I have that there is only parking on my side of the street it sometimes is very hard to find parking. I also get letters from garbage company about where to put my trash cans if not put in right place the garbage will not be picked up.
308. Parking on Prescott makes it hard to see cars
309. Have difficulty seeing cars coming down David while exiting my driveway due to cars parked on side walk.
310. Both of residents at this home have been nearly hit on bike and on foot.
311. Please work to restore access through the Presidio!
312. Street width & sidewalks are my biggest concern.
313. Desperately need more controls in place to reduce car speed on David. Also need more cross walks - espec. near Hilltop Park and bus stops.
314. Our sidewalks on Jessie St. are too irregular for easy walking for us elderly. Also they should be wider and on both sides of the street - We should have curbs and gutters too. Old people and young (especially from Hilltop School) need these improvements for a safe and sane environment.
315. Question #1 - very concerned about excessive speed down my street - perhaps speed bumps would help.