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MEMORANDUM

TO: Eileen M. Donoghue, City Manager *EMD*

FROM: Alan Heredia, Assistant Transportation Engineer

DATE: May 21, 2021

SUBJECT: MOTION OF 5/11/2021 BY COUNCILOR DRINKWATER
REQUESTING CITY MANAGER INVESTIGATE WAYS TO CALM VEHICLE
SPEED AND IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT THE CROSSWALKS ON
WEST SIXTH STREET AT EAGLE PARK

City staff visited Eagle Park to review the current conditions of the crosswalks on West 6th Street and surrounding area. During the site visit, it was observed that there are no crosswalk signs at the two crosswalks on West 6th Street. Currently, there are curb extensions on West 6th Street to shorten the crossing distance for pedestrians as part of a prior investment to slow vehicle speeds. In addition, there was a delivery truck parked very close to one of the curb extensions during the site visit, which prevented drivers from seeing pedestrians in one of the West 6th Street crosswalks. Crosswalk signs will be placed at the crosswalks on West 6th Street as soon as possible, and the City will talk to the business to make sure their delivery trucks do not block pedestrian visibility for drivers.

Finally, staff determined there is a need for a stop sign on Hampshire Street where it intersects West 6th Street. A stop sign at this location will improve the safety of pedestrians trying to cross Hampshire Street. Research of existing City ordinances located an existing ordinance for a stop sign at this location. A stop sign will be promptly placed at the intersection. The City will continue to search for more traffic calming strategies suitable for this location.

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cc: John Cooper, Sign and Meter Division