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Opposition to Item 8: allocating funds for "installation of traffic calming islands with potential landscaping"

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To: clerk@sfcta.org

Hi,

I represent the Sanchez Residents. We are a group who live on Sanchez street. I will not be able to attend tomorrow's SFCTA CAC meeting, but I want to raise our group's opposition to Item 8: Next Generation Sanchez Slow Street [NTIP Capital] (\$277,300). Here's why:

- This proposal violates the community agreement on a final design that we, as a community, agreed to last year. The process for this proposal did not incorporate balanced community input. It is not fair or democratic to only ask Andrew Casteel of the Friends of Slow Sanchez for input. Andrew is not a resident of the street and he represents a special interest group with the aim of converting the street into a park, not keeping it as a throughway, as it's intended to be.
- Importantly, this proposal also impedes emergency vehicles, which puts the lives of residents at risk.
- Lastly, this is a misallocation of funds: the city is facing a deficit. The money could be better spent (fixing potholes on Noe St, for example). Traffic is light on Sanchez and cross streets are narrow. Bulb outs are an unnecessary expenditure.

Please do not approve this proposal, and instead involve the whole community to determine what additions should be made to this street and how it should be done. Thank you.