

Orion Slow Street Comments

Awful

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Between the sidewalk eating in Park and the slow streets, my street has become a major through street and honestly I resent it. It's great to add outdoor seating and to make some streets "slow", but in doing so you push all that traffic to parallel streets like Buena Vista (my street).

Bikers/scooters don't use them. They will instead ride in the middle of the (non-slow) street one block over. So what's the point?!

Create more visual appeal

create well designed barriers and signage for all slow streets.

Dangerous situation A foolish idea.

Dangerous to have cars & people both in street. Barriers require traffic to drive on wrong side of road. There WILL be an accident and the City WILL be responsible.

Did not know it was one. Parts of the Point are not well-defined due to the odd street paths from the old base.

Do not support.

Don' t work

Expand this to protect more area on the base from cars. Influx during the antiques fair and with car clubs driving through has made it less safe to ride a bike and walk.

Expand.

Get rid of it! Traffic is awful and getting worse!

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Great spot for drag racing.

Great that Alameda's most under-served neighbors have access to a slow street.

Have not had a chance to enjoy yet.

Haven't used this slow street, but should keep and raise all streets to same level of improvement and network connection.

I do not find any of the slow streets useful.

I don't drive there at all.

I don't even know where it is!

i dont like it

I have no idea what this slow street is accomplishing. It's short, unconnected to any bike/ped route, and on a street that already has low traffic. Recommend extending south and then east along Stardust Pl and/or W Tower Ave and then creating bike/ped break(s) in fence to connect with multi-use path along west side of Main St. Similarly, recommend extending east along Pearl Harbor Rd and then north along Barbers Point Rd to fence break at Ploughshares Nursery to connect with multi-use path along west side of Main St. While you're at it, the intersection of Pearl Harbor and Barbers Point should be made into a roundabout.

I have not visited it yet. But I know residents in that area have long had to deal with speeding cars and other traffic safety issues, so if they appreciate the slow street, it's definitely worth keeping for their benefit.

I haven't used it to my knowledge

I live on Orion and the slow street has significantly improved the safety of the entire neighborhood, allowing the many children in the neighborhood to bike and play more safely. Before, people who use the base as a race track, would regularly endanger them.

I love the speed bumps.

I walk approximately 8 miles a day in Alameda and really appreciate the Safe Street Program. I do wish there were a network and that the barriers were more permanent, as their portable nature is a problem. I also wish each Safe Street intersection had a barrier, but that is not the case.

I walked this recently and enjoyed it. I don't live nearby, however, so I don't have a strong opinion.

I wish it was longer and had happened sooner and that there

I wish this was one lane and filled with an avenue of trees and plants.

I'll slow streets punish the surrounding neighborhoods. It just makes their traffic worse and less safe.

I'm not familiar with this slow street

Improve the look and keep them

Improved look

It diverts traffic to other streets which increases congestion on some streets. There is a reason for all the streets to be accessible because they better distribute traffic.

It is crucial to have safe outdoor spaces on the west end of Alameda. There isn't a play structure or anything communal past Jean Sweeney so keeping something communal and safe for west end kids/families is CRUCIAL!

It is not fair to the rest of the people who do not live on this street.

It needs more treatment. Do we have any data to show whether the barricades have had enough effect on speeding.

It should be longer

I've no doubt that my comment about Pacific Ave is the same for Orion.

I've noticed the slow streets are not being used 95% of the time by people. Open it up to back to normal traffic.

Just enforce the damn traffic laws and drop the Slow Streets.

less crime

Less traffic in this area and so my feelings aren't as strong

make a speed bumps instead. Its so hard for us to go around the other way where our house is just in front of the other slow street. I know there's a lot of car speeding at this area but nothing changes whether there is a Slow Street sign in the area. Residents near the Teen Center doesn't care and still keep on speeding their cars. I strongly suggest to put speed bumps around Alameda Point especially Orion St.

Makes driving a nightmare and puts pedestrians at risk of accidents.

need to maintain current barrier. some have been damaged or shoved to one side. Please keep. it slows down traffic around the area

Needs to be expanded as cars drive like jackasses on Alameda Point

Never see anyone walking or biking on it.

never used it

Never used this one. I'm for it if the residents like it.

No longer necessary

Not a fan of it. Don't think it's useful.

Not necessary any more

Only saw one slow street sign and cars speeded down the street each time we have used it.

Only use it occasionally on bike rides. Like it: please keep it!

Orion provides new close-to-home access to the outdoors that the nearby community is currently lacking. The Trust for Public Land's ParkServe index shows that that neighborhood is not currently served by a park within a 10-minute walk (.5 miles) of home.

People are not using them for the intended purpose--I never see bikes, scooters, walkers in the middle of the streets. And, taking public streets for private/limited/localized gains is not equitable. It is inconvenient to the many for the benefit of the few.

Permanent signage and barrier that is visually appealing should be put in place.

Please can we get some law enforcement on the Slow Streets to warn or cite the automobile drivers? They are empowered and now in the habit of ZOOMING a down slow streets, as well as running stop signs. At the beginning of the pandemic and when 'slow streets' started cars were more respectful. NOW, it's like the Wild West on these Slow Streets, and we have never seen an APD patrol car on them.

Please make crossing busy intersections easier!

Please remove

Privatizing public streets in the name of environmentalism and traffic reduction is absurd. It is not fair.

Remove

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Remove all and choose other ones, let other streets have a chance

Remove barriers

Remove immediately we have shit to do

Remove the slow street our tax dollars in gas tax pays for roads, privatizing public roads is not in the best interest of taxpayers.

Ridiculous to create a privileged class of residents who can make a public street into a private driveway. The adjacent streets only get more traffic.

Safer for kids.

See below

See Pacific Slow Street comment.

slow street is ineffective and has outlived its usefulness

Slow streets are demonstrations of municipally granted privilege for the residents which live on them, offer no real benefit to a city loaded with parks and set-aside fairways for bicycles. That exclusive privilege simply pushes higher traffic on adjacent streets as no one is driving less or slower. Since APD has been gutted, no one is really enforcing them anyway, so the barriers just cause a hazard getting around them. If anything, traffic (cars pumping out carbon while going nowhere) and high-speed stunt driving has only skyrocketed in the past year, despite all the poorly considered "traffic diet" schemes, so this has all been a triple fail for the City.

Slow streets do not make the streets safer. Due to the increased traffic people become annoyed and angry which then creates a potential for road rage. Also slow streets promote children to play in the streets which could lead to potential life threatening accidents.

slow streets just push traffic onto other streets creating more congestion for them and increasing the value of the homes on the slow streets

Speed humps are a better solution to slow traffic but keep it flowing and not almost hitting each other trying to get to homes on the street

Stupid

Thank you for adding this one!

The "Slow Streets" should rotated to other streets throughout Alameda

The city should make every intersection or a four way stop or add small island to make the intersection a round about

the sidewalks are plenty

The slow street results in increased traffic on adjoining streets and often results in frustrated drivers who take out their frustration on the road.

The streets should be rotated.

There has been a lot of crime in this area. Encouraging pedestrians wanderings in this area is currently not a good mix with the high crime happening near Orion.

They are dangerous as they create a false sense of safety.

They make intersections more dangerous for pedestrians and drivers. Too much traffic originates on each block for them to reduce traffic noticeably. They give kids the false impression that it's ok to play in the street.

This is out of my normal driving routine and I have no opinion

This is the only slow street I've seen kids playing in, which is a big win for the program

This is wonderful for going through the base area and a great place to bike and walk

This never was of any practical value and still isn't.

This street does not impact significant traffic on other streets.

This was created as a temporary program, I don't see pedestrians/bikers/neighbors using them any differently than other streets in town, people use the sidewalks as usual. People on those streets are becoming territorial about the PUBLIC street space, moving barriers to make it harder for the cars that must access and expecting a benefit (less cars) no one else enjoys.

Too bumpy for bike riding, and barricades are too tight to get a bike through

Unsafe

Useless and dangerous ... people use the sidewalk, bikers use the street as designed, cars drive around the barriers to use the street (which is dangerous when two vehicles are trying to enter/exit at the same time

Very inconvenient and disruptive to normal (not heavy) neighborhood traffic

We are new to Alameda and have not used the Orion Slow Street yet.

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Who even drives out there? It's so remote it's completely unneeded. And it just makes getting to the ferries even more confusing.