

City of Merced

RQ#: 25-27

Citizen Action Request Form: Traffic Committee

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Address: [REDACTED] Today's Date: 8/21/25

Location of Concern (map attachments and photographs are encouraged):

Intersections at W. 23rd and H, and W. 23rd and I

Describe Concerns At This Location:

These locations are 4-way uncontrolled intersections. Over the past approx. 2 months, I have witnessed a collision at 23rd and I, and witnessed the immediate aftermath of a collision at 23rd and H. Neighbors who have lived in the area for a decade or more report that there have been many accidents at these intersections over the years, and I am not sure whether all of these have been reported.

It seems that drivers going in both directions (often at high speeds) believe they have the right of way given the lack of any stop or yield signs. The inconsistency in control of intersections in the area exacerbates this problem. For example, the 2 intersections immediately to the West — 23rd and MLK, and 23rd and K — are 2-way stops with stop signs for drivers traveling east/west on 23rd St. The intersection to the immediate south of 23rd and H — 22nd and H — has yield signs for drivers traveling north/south on H St. The intersection to the immediate south of 23rd and I — 22nd and I — is a 4-way stop. Because 23rd St. is a fairly busy street, with traffic going to and from the Amtrak station and businesses such as the storage facility and the mart at 23rd and K, along with planned development such as a Starbucks at 23rd and G, these two uncontrolled 4-way intersections seem dangerous and not in line with the needs in this area. It seems that, at the least, adding either yield signs or stop signs for drivers traveling north/south while crossing 23rd at H and I would make sense.

There are also many children (including my own child) who play outside in this area, especially at the intersection of 23rd and H; the welcoming and family-friendly character of the neighborhood is part of why I love owning a home here, and I'd love to see safety improved for all who live and spend time in the area.

Finally, I have heard from neighbors in other parts of the downtown area concerned about the inconsistency in control of intersections (and I have noted this when driving as well), so I believe a broader evaluation of this issue is needed to improve safety in the downtown neighborhoods.

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Field Inspection Results: _____

Date Response To Contact Person: _____

Resolution of Concern: _____

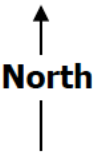
Date Completed: _____

Traffic Engineer's Signature or Designee

Date

DIAGRAMS

General Diagram



Location of Concern

