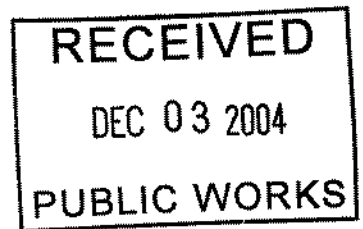


December 1, 2004



Members of the Traffic and Safety Commission:

Sierra Road is the first northerly street west of the Sixth Street Fire Station. While there are street lights at some of the rarely used intersections along Sierra, there are no street lights at the relatively busy intersections of Overland Drive and Sierra and Trail Road and Sierra. Street lights at these two intersections would make them much safer.

On both the west side of Sierra near Trail and the east side of Sierra near Sixth Street, there is a 30 MPH speed limit sign. As one proceeds north on Sierra, there is a blind curve just beyond Overland Drive. Several children live in the vicinity of this curve. According to Annie's Mailbox (November 25th 2004, Lawrence Journal World): "Local roads, the streets right in front of our homes, are over twice as dangerous as highways per mile driven. Pedestrians are also three times more likely to die when struck by a vehicle traveling 30 MPH vs one traveling at 25 MPH."

No police officer or other person knowledgeable about traffic flow and pedestrian safety would hold that the 30 MPH speed limit on Sierra enhances safety. Please consider both the aforementioned curve and our neighborhood children and institute on Sierra Road a speed limit of 20 MPH.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Dann".

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