



Date: June 26, 2018
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *PW*
From: *CS* Craig A. Beck, Director of Public Works
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: **Pedestrian Median Access Update**

On March 20, 2018, the City Council requested an ordinance be drafted prohibiting pedestrians from standing on medians less than four feet wide or streets with a speed limit of 35 mph or greater. The Department of Public Works has been working with the City Attorney's Office to gather information to complete this request.

On May 24, 2016, the City Council passed the Vision Zero program with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries among all road users by 2026. Vision Zero is a data-driven initiative that works across departments to achieve these safety goals. The first step in the process involves collecting and analyzing collision history, including vehicles versus pedestrians, which includes a component related to collisions with pedestrians standing in street medians.

The Vision Zero Action Plan is expected to be complete by Fall 2019. This information will help inform the City of the most challenging intersections/corridors and possible solutions to address the different issues (e.g. speeding, blind intersections, pedestrian crossings). The collected data will also help the City Attorney identify the focus of the requested ordinance.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Eric Widstrand, City Traffic Engineer, at (562) 570-6537.

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