

My name is Susan Schultz and my husband Allan lived in this area for many years. We moved to the Vistas in 1994 then moved to the Fairway Village at Kiley Ranch in 2003. Our address is 989 Turnberry Drive.

Safety officials now tell us "if we see something, to say something". Because I have seen something and experienced a near misses is why I am here today. When we go to shop, business or meet friends we travel from our home, across Sparks Blvd go across to Ion Drive or turn right or left.

In the past two years the traffic has become very heavy, an increase. A driver must look three directions, left and right and across to ION to make sure Sparks Blvd is clear for travel. Sometimes it is clear other times it is not. A strange thing also happens. Usually from North Sparks Blvd. The roadway may be open and clear, and boom there is a vehicle. While not a traffic engineer, I notice the southbound vehicle appears to speed up around the curve on Sparks Blvd, from Oak Hill and Cathedral Peak. This speed up is noticeable and dangerous and although the clear intersection may be there momentarily it is not there when one thinks the road is clear.

What I am here to tell "someone" ie: the city council, that this intersection must be fixed before something tragic happens. There is pedestrian and walking/driving school traffic across this busy road. I am asking for your consideration of a sign to alert drivers of the pedestrian and vehicle. A stop sign, a stop light, a slowdown sign, something. This intersection is dangerous

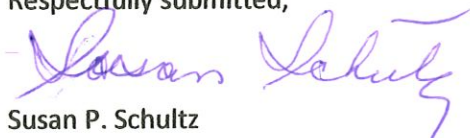
For your information the developers of this community told the earlier residents they knew Sparks Blvd. would be a busy thoroughfare in the future. They had made allowances for this in the early stage and put into place electrical boxes to take care of signage in the future. I never saw such equipment, took the developer at his word as well as the city that such a problem would be taken care of when the need arose. This would be easy to check with the planning department.

In closing the time is now, with two new schools being built further north off Sparks Blvd as well as more homes. (exact number I do not know). I am asking this to prevent a future accident/tragedy from occurring. I know the budget is small and the request /need is financially large in our city. I have "told" someone of this problem.

I was able to obtain a copy of accidents on Sparks Blvd. I did not receive the actual accident report for the above noted intersection\*, but from 7/17/2018 till 2/12/2018 at the intersections of Sparks and Los Altos, Village Knoll Dr., Village Meadows, Cathedral Peak, and Oak Hill there have been in seven months a total of 25 accidents on Sparks Blvd.

\*I made my request last week for this accident reports and called on Friday, February 23 about noon the report was ready. When I looked at the report did not have the numbers for Sparks, ION, and Bayhill Drive)

Respectfully submitted,

  
Susan P. Schultz