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We do not agree with the zealousness of the Safe Streets program as offered!!! We live on the corner of D Street & Sunnyslope Avenue. We have seen the traffic increase and the safety decrease over the past 13 years. Some years ago we had a local power outage and four physical STOP SIGNS were placed on this dangerous corner. Traffic was stopped at D Street/Sunnyslope Avenue, which is a main feeder route coming in to town from outer D and beyond. Then the existing traffic lights were changed for a few days to ALL BLINKING RED. IT WAS A MIRACLE! NO MORE RED LIGHT RUNNERS, NO MORE SPEEDERS. TRAFFIC WAS SLOWED TO A REASONABLE SPEED GOING DOWN D STREET & ALSONG THE "SUNNYSLOPE SPEEDWAY. RESIDENTS WERE DELIGHTED! People could walk, bike ride, take their dogs out and more, all with increased safety FOR NO ADDED COST TO THE CITY! THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS ARE IN. WHY CAN'T WE TRY THIS APPROACH, USING FLASHING RED LIGHTS IN PLACE, FOR THREE MONTHS. TRIAL RUN. IT WILL NOT REQUIRE ANY ADDED EXPENSE, JUST A MONITORING OF THE RESULTS. THE DREADED HIGHWAY DRIVERS THAT USE OUTER D STREET TO AVOID TRAFFIC ON THE HIGHWAY DIDN'T LIKE WAITING AT THE LIGHT ON D STREET, AND CEASED USING OUTER D AS A TRAFFIC ARTERY. FOUR WAY STOP APPROACH IS WORTH CONSIDERING. D Street is fixable without all the hoopla this group wants. Thank you. M & M Brazis