78th St. and Gold Dust Ave. Traffic Calming Improvements

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Background

- Documented speeding and cut-through traffic on 78th St.
- Citizen concerns from LaCuesta neighborhood.
- Citizen petition submitted to council in January:
 - 1. All-way stop at 78th St. and Gold Dust Ave.
 - 2. 25 MPH speed limit on 78th St. between Mountain View Rd. and Shea Blvd.
 - 3. Roadway classification change from minor collector to local street.





Location Characteristics





Intersection Characteristics





Traffic Data Collection

Average Daily Traffic (ADT)

•	78 th Street:	1,144 vehicles	per da	y
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- Gold Dust Ave.: 726 vehicles per day
- Data Collected 3/12/2024

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•	Collision data was reviewed for last 5 years: only 1 reported collision that
	occurred on Dec. 12, 2024.

	Daily Traffic Volume	% of Vehicles 35mph or	% of Vehicles 40 mph or more
		more	
NTMP Required	500 min, 3000 max	40%	20%
Measured	1144	81%	54%
NB only	Daily Traffic Volume	% of Vehicles 35mph or	% of Vehicles 40 mph or more
		more	
NTMP Required	500 min, 3000 max	40%	20%
Measured	537	69%	35%
SB only	Daily Traffic Volume	% of Vehicles 35mph or	% of Vehicles 40 mph or more
		more	
NTMP Required	500 min, 3000 max	40%	20%
Measured	607	92%	70%





Recommended Alternative: Raised Crosswalk







Alternate Measures







Note: Raised intersection and all-way stop control deemed not feasible



Reclassification and Speed Limit

 Reclassification and speed limit reduction may be considered in the future, if full traffic calming devices are implemented along the 78th Street corridor.







Next Steps

- Compile public feedback.
- Proceed to final design and construction of recommended alternative.
- Additional evaluation of the area after project construction.
- Please contact Sam Taylor at <u>STaylor@ScottsdaleAZ.gov</u> with project questions or to provide feedback.



