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**From:** Heather L. Williams <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 30, 2026 5:01 PM  
**To:** Nadia Ramirez  
**Subject:** comments for TTC re street speeds

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Dear Commissioners,

First, thanks to all of you for your service on behalf of our city. I appreciate the time and care you apply to the built environment and transport infrastructure of Claremont.

I am writing because street speeds are very much on my mind. I'm currently on my bike almost every day. I commute to work on my e-bike from my home on First Street to my office on College and 7<sup>th</sup>. I also use my bike to do grocery shopping or to run small errands in town.

I've also been on my road bike a lot training for a triathlon before work several days a week. That ride takes me up and down major north-south arterials (College Avenue, Mills Avenue, Padua) and along big stretches of Baseline, Foothill Avenue and Bonita.

I love cycling in Claremont, but I have had some scary experiences on both my e-bike and my road bike with vehicles driving fast. The problem with higher speeds is that motorists often run through red lights, trying to catch the last of a yellow light. This sometimes causes vehicles to blast through intersections when the walk sign has already been activated (I was nearly hit a year ago while walking my bike in the pedestrian crosswalk at Foothill and Mills. The vehicle was going downhill on Mills at a high speed, probably after having exited the 210 onto Baseline and maintaining highway speeds).

I've also had cars honk and do some crazy maneuvers when I come to a place where I have to signal and get into a left turn lane (e.g. Bonita and Berkeley). I'm very careful about this and let motorists pass before getting into a left lane, but if I have to wait for oncoming traffic to pass, I may be a few seconds in the left turn lane. Once, I had a vehicle see me get in the left turn lane and they gunned the motor, rolled down the window and screamed "GET OFF THE ROAD!!!" I'm sure you've heard similar stories from other pedestrians or cyclists.

As a result of these experiences, I am in favor of generally lowering speeds where engineers see possibilities for doing so. I know motorists may not favor this, but if we can keep certain streets with lots of pedestrians and cyclists at fairly low speeds (e.g. Bonita or Mills or Mountain), motorists who want to go fast may opt for other streets or freeways.

I especially want to flag ongoing dangers on Bonita at the crossing with Berkeley. There are so many elderly people crossing that street going to church at OLA, and so many vehicles failing to stop at that intersection. It's a tragedy waiting to happen.

Thanks again for all your work—it is appreciated!!

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**From:** Aza Hadas <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 9, 2026 10:07 AM  
**To:** Nadia Ramirez  
**Subject:** Written comment for TTC special meeting April 13

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Dear Traffic and Transportation Commission,  
I am a new resident of Claremont, and at 88 years old with limited mobility, I am a vulnerable pedestrian. I have heard that you are considering lowering the speed limits on many of the streets in Claremont. This sounds very good to me. I am very slow to cross the street and it will be safer for me if the traffic is moving slowly. I also am greatly enjoying the charm of Claremont after moving here from a much larger city. I feel like slower traffic will contribute to the charm of this little town that is now my home.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Aza Hadas  
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