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Subject: Agenda Item 6
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 3:38:30 PM

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Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection

I'm a resident of Tiburon. I live at 100 Jefferson Dr. and I walk by the Trestle Glen intersection every morning when I walk my kid to the yellow bus that he takes to Reed. Thus, I see the numerous kids crossing at this intersection every morning going to Reed and Del Mar. While the new "No Right Turn" signal recently installed definitely improves safety, it is NOT sufficient to protect children given the unique configuration of this intersection. Namely, cars come up a little hill to Tiburon to turn right and are less likely to see kids, it is a soft right turn w/no futures to stop cars from doing a rolling right (against the law), and people are always rushing to leave in the morning and not paying attention. Given local and regional efforts to increase walking, biking, and busing and reduce car trips on Tiburon, not having a crossing guard would be a major step back and against that goal.

Please keep the crossing guard at this location. It is a huge asset to our children's safety.

Kim Stern Liddell

Tiburon CA

From: [Rodney](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Crossing guard at Trestle Glen
Date: Thursday, April 23, 2026 1:47:26 PM

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I understand that there is the possibility that we are losing our school crossing guard at the intersection of Tiburon Blvd and Trestle Glen in Tiburon next year. I urge you to reconsider this decision. I have lost count of the number of times that I have seen cars coming down Trestle Glen stop because of the crossing guard when they would have continued without stopping otherwise regardless of the new "no turn" sign. As I am sure you are aware visibility of the crosswalk is *very* poor when coming down Trestle Glen. People in a hurry often come down and make that right turn without stopping (even with sign illuminated) while looking left to see if cars are coming in the lane on Tiburon Blvd. The crossing guard on the corner is very important so that they don't just drive into the crosswalk.

Again, I urge you to reconsider this decision. Our two children will not be biking to school out of Belveron East if there isn't a crossing guard at this intersection.

Thank you,

Rodney Huff

Tiburon

From: [District PTA](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: 4/23/2026 Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 10:55:18 AM

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To the Transportation Authority of Marin Board,

On behalf of the Reed Union School District PTA, we write to express our strong support for maintaining all existing school crossing guard positions in our community and urge you to protect this critical investment in student safety.

Our crossing guards are essential to the daily safety and well-being of our children. Each school day, these crossing guards manage busy intersections, navigate unpredictable traffic patterns, and contend with distracted driving and challenging weather conditions to ensure that students can travel to and from school safely.

The Tiburon Peninsula is uniquely constrained, relying heavily on a single main thoroughfare—Tiburon Boulevard—which connects our three RUSD schools to the broader community. Families must routinely navigate significant commuter and construction traffic. While our PTA and Safe Routes to School programs actively promote walking, biking, skating, and scootering as alternatives to driving, these efforts depend on safe infrastructure. Dedicated crossing guards are indispensable to making these options viable for families.

We appreciate the effort to preserve the crossing guard at Tiburon Boulevard and Blackfield by reallocating the crossing guard from Karen Way. However, we strongly urge the Board to reconsider the removal of any crossing guards on the Tiburon Peninsula as it puts our community, especially our children, at risk. Removing crossing guards from these areas shifts an unreasonable burden onto young students to navigate dangerous traffic situations on their own. The presence of trained crossing guards not only improves safety but also encourages walking and biking, supporting both student health and community well-being.

Unsafe conditions already exist at many of the intersections where crossing guards are slated for removal, creating a serious risk to the safety of our community.

For example:

Tiburon Boulevard & Trestle Glen

This highly trafficked intersection serves as a critical crossing point, particularly for bicyclists traveling to and from Bel Aire Elementary School and Del Mar Middle School as referenced in the Safe Routes to School map. It connects several neighborhoods, including Belveron, Reedlands, and Turtle Rock, and serves as a primary route to Paradise Cay, East Corte Madera, and eastern sections of Paradise Drive. The recent installation of prominent, illuminated “No Right Turn” signs at the crosswalk underscores the serious safety concerns at this intersection. However, drivers frequently ignore these signs and continue to make right turns when a crossing guard is not present, demonstrating that signage alone is insufficient to ensure compliance. This ongoing behavior highlights the clear need for active, in-person traffic management during school commute hours to protect students and other pedestrians.



Photo: Without a crossing guard present, drivers routinely ignore illuminated “No Right Turn” signs. While focusing on oncoming traffic, they often fail to check the crosswalk, creating a recurring conflict with pedestrians and bicyclists who have the right of way.

Avenida Miraflores & Hilary Drive

Located just east of Del Mar Middle School, this intersection presents a uniquely hazardous configuration. It functions as a three-way stop within what appears to be a four-way intersection, creating confusion for drivers and inconsistent traffic flow. Vehicles traveling eastbound on Avenida Miraflores do not stop, while drivers from other directions must wait for gaps in traffic. U-turns are also common at this location. Without a crossing guard, students would be forced to navigate these unpredictable conditions, significantly increasing their risk.



Photo: Multiple cars during morning school drop-off at Del Mar Middle School waiting at the intersection and in the middle of the interaction as student crosses Avenida Miraflores



Photo: Along Avenida Miraflores heading east towards the intersection with Hilary Drive, the view of the crosswalk is obstructed by trees and bushes along the median.

We respectfully urge the Transportation Authority of Marin to reevaluate these intersections and continue funding crossing guard positions at all existing Tiburon locations. Removing these safeguards would create avoidable risks for students and undermine ongoing efforts to promote safe, active transportation to school.

Thank you for your time, your consideration, and your continued commitment to protecting the safety of our children.

Sincerely,

Jessica Etchevers, President
on behalf of the Reed Union School District Parent Teacher Association

From: [Anjali Agarwal](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Critical at Trestle Glen
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:17:21 PM

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Hello,

I'm a resident of Belveron and would like you to keep a crossing guard at the Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd intersection which serves our neighborhood.

Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd is a very dangerous intersection for pedestrians. A "No Right Turn" signal was recently put in to help improve safety, but it isn't sufficient to protect children given the unique dynamics of the intersection.

There are numerous variables that make this intersection especially dangerous:

1. **Poor visibility.** The westbound road on Trestle Glen approaching the intersection is on a fairly steep uphill grade and elevated from the pedestrian walkway. There are numerous existing objects in the area that further block / obstruct the sight line, making it particularly hard for motorists stopped at the red light to see shorter / smaller people (especially children)
2. **High frequency of motorists disregarding the pedestrian walk signal and the "No Right Turn" sign.**
 - a. The red light at Trestle Glen is long and motorists get impatient to enter Tiburon Blvd. While waiting for their turn at the red light, motorists often look at the oncoming traffic to see if there's a break so they can enter, and do not see the pedestrians waiting to use the cross walk (in part because of the poor visibility referenced above).
 - b. When the light on Trestle Glen turns green, it is common for motorists on Trestle Glen to quickly enter the intersection, disregarding the pedestrian walk signal and the "No Right Turn" sign.
 - c. The "No Right Turn" sign only illuminates when the light turns green, so motorists don't see that beforehand. Motorists aren't used to that type of traffic control and are used to entering the intersection and turning right when the light turns green or there is a break in oncoming traffic.
 - d. Also, on the Tiburon Blvd section of the intersection, it is a relatively long intersection, meaning there is a meaningful amount of distance between where the intersection begins on Tiburon Blvd and the vehicles on Trestle Glen that want to enter Tiburon. When the traffic light on Tiburon blvd changes from green to yellow and red and traffic starts slowing down, it is common for motorists waiting at the red light on Trestle Glen to see that as an opportunity to quickly enter Tiburon Blvd, which is right when the light on Trestle Glen turns green, the "No right turn" sign illuminates and pedestrians enter the intersection

3. **Numerous close calls even with the crossing guard.** Given above, I've witnessed numerous instances of motorists entering Tiburon Blvd when they are not supposed to, endangering pedestrians. I've seen the current crossing guard have to physically stop cars on numerous occasions, and on numerous occasions I've seen cars almost run her over as they speed in to the intersection. And that's an adult with a big "STOP" sign, yelling at them and wearing highly visible, reflective safety gear. Which underscores how dangerous this intersection is for children who would be much harder to see.

Thanks for your attention to the safety of our children's lives

Anjali

From: [Kelly McCoy](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Cc: [Christopher McCoy](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 2:37:24 PM

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Hello,

I'm a resident of Tiburon , on Old Landing Rd, off Trestle Glen and Paradise intersection . I would like you to keep a crossing guard at the Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd intersection which serves our neighborhood and my children's route to both bel aire and Reed schools.

The intersection is extremely dangerous for kids to navigate solo. Cars do not stop fully on red, they ignore the no right on red sign, and often they are going so quickly they fail to stop and run through the red all together .

Please keep the guard here for children biking and walking to school. It is a highly trafficked cross walk by kids and needs an adult present to prevent tragedy.

Best,

Kelly McCoy

From: [Rifkin Young](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 4:33:56 PM

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Hi there,

Several of my neighbors let me know that it is possible that we may lose a crossing guard at Tiburon Blvd and Trestle Glen. Hopefully there will be enough support to keep the crossing guard there, but if there is any question about the need for this role, I can confirm from my daily experience at this intersection (crossing as a driver and a pedestrian), this is a very hectic intersection in the morning.

I think drivers feel a lot of pressure when they are waiting to turn right on to Tiburon blvd...they are looking left to see if they can sneak out before oncoming traffic, people behind them might be honking (it has happened to me) and they may not notice that the no right on red sign has become illuminated and pedestrians are starting to cross. Add to that, darker mornings when the time changes, rainy days, etc...it is unfortunately a dangerous situation.

The guard that is there now in particular is very good...she physically gets out in front of cars that aren't paying attention and waves the stop sign...I bet she has to do this frequently throughout the day.

Anyway, hope this feedback is helpful, but however we need to make it happen, the children and others crossing here really need all the help they can get!

Thanks,

Rifkin Young

From: [Alison Bean](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #6/Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 1:21:37 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm a resident of the Belveron neighborhood with three young children in Tiburon. I strongly urge you to keep the crossing guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd.

This is a dangerous intersection, especially for children. Visibility is limited, and drivers frequently ignore the pedestrian signal and "No Right Turn" sign. I have personally seen multiple close calls, even with a crossing guard present who has had to step in to stop vehicles.

If it is this risky with a trained adult managing traffic, it is not safe for children to navigate alone. The crossing guard is essential for their safety.

Please keep this crossing guard in place.

Thank you,
Alison Bean
Resident of the Belveron neighborhood

From: [Kristal Bitzer Ganatra](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Belveron Crossing Guard
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:02:17 PM

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Hi all,

I just heard we may be losing our crossing guard at Trestle Glen / Tiburon Blvd and I sincerely hope that is not the case! People on their way (or seemingly running late) to work ignore all of the multiple signs saying not to turn right and often zoom through only looking left at oncoming traffic and NOT right at children crossing Tiburon Blvd. This is a huge risk and I hope you reconsider this!

Thanks,
Kristal Ganatra

From: [Michelle Thomsen](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Concern about removal of 2 Tiburon Crossing Guards for RUSD (Avenida Miraflores)
Date: Thursday, April 16, 2026 1:58:01 PM

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Dear Transportation Authority of Marin,

My name is Michelle Thomsen. I am writing to express my concern regarding the potential removal of crossing guards in Tiburon serving the Reed Union School District.

This year, I have one child attending Del Mar Middle School. Next year, I will have two children attending Del Mar Middle School, and they will be walking to and from school each day. Their route requires them to cross at the intersection of Avenida Miraflores and Hilary. The intersections of Avenida Miraflores at Hilary and Avenida Miraflores at Felipa Court are particularly busy during school commute hours. These intersections have significant vehicle congestion from parents dropping off and picking up students, as well as limited parking that adds to the traffic flow challenges.

Without crossing guards present, I am very concerned about the safety of students navigating these crossings. The volume of traffic, combined with the drivers in a rush, creates conditions that are not safe for children to cross independently.

Crossing guards play a critical role in ensuring that students can travel to and from school safely. Removing these positions would significantly increase the risk of accidents and put unnecessary strain on families who rely on safe walking routes.

I respectfully urge you to reconsider any plans to eliminate these crossing guard positions and to prioritize student safety in your decision-making.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I would appreciate any information you can provide regarding this decision and any steps being taken to ensure safe routes to school.

Sincerely,

Michelle Thomsen
Parent of 3 children in Reed Union School District

From: [Summer Singh](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Cross-guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:21:27 PM

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Hello,

I wanted to send a note stating that my family and I are in favor of keeping the cross-guard at Tiburon Blvd. and Trestle Glen for next year! We have 3 small children and live in Belveron East and would feel much after with a cross-guard at that particular intersection.

Thank you for your time,
Summer



[Summer Singh](#)
Design Recruiter

From: [Dave Thomsen](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Crossing guard at Miraflores and Hilary
Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026 9:01:34 AM

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David is essential to helping kids safely cross this busy intersection. Please keep him employed. He is wonderful and this job is important.

Best regards,
Dave Thomsen

From: [Lauren Cromwell](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Crossing Guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:22:25 PM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I just heard that the Transportation Authority of Marin is potentially cutting the crossing guard position at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd. I have two elementary school aged children and have been a resident of Belveron for over 10 years. I think this would be a terrible mistake. Both my children use this crosswalk multiple times a week and I consider this a very dangerous crosswalk. The legal speed limit on Tiburon Blvd at this intersection is 40mph, on a turn, and oftentimes very congested limiting visibility.

On multiple occasions, I have seen cars completely disregard the "no right turn" sign and speed right through the crosswalk onto Tiburon Blvd. I'm not sure if they do not see the sign or do not care that it is there.

Several Times I have heard cars backed up onto Trestle Glen trying to turn right onto Tiburon Blvd lay on their horns, aggressively urging the cars in front of them to turn right even though the 'no right turn' sign is illuminated.

School aged children rely on the crossing guards to help them get across the streets safely. The intersection at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd is very dangerous for several reasons. This is not the intersection to cut crossing guard positions.

Concerned,
Lauren Cromwell

From: [John Corcoran](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Crossing guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Boulevard.
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:32:58 PM

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Hello,

I live in the Belveron neighborhood in Tiburon, and I just wanted to write to say that I hope that you will retain the crossing guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Boulevard. I bike with my daughter multiple days a week, and the crossing guard has been critical. That is a very unsafe intersection with or without a crossing guard, but it's much safer when we have a crossing guard there.

Please retain it.

John Corcoran

Tiburon, California

John

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From: [Lana Barkhordarian Burstein](#)
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Subject: Crossing guard at Trestle Glenn intersection in Tiburon
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:44:46 PM

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Hello,

It has come to my attention that due to potential budget issues, there is debate over whether or not we need a crossing guard at the intersection of Trestle Glenn and Tiburon Boulevard. I am *strongly* urging we have a dedicated crossing guard at that intersection.

I'm at that intersection daily and I see at least one car running a red light a day. Because that intersection is at a slope, drivers coming from Trestle Glenn don't see pedestrians that are walking uphill on the cross walk and turn right when they shouldn't. It's also the site of *many* red light runners who are heading into Tiburon. I see it happen daily!

Please help prevent a tragedy and do NOT remove a crossing guard from that intersection.

Thank you,

Lana Burstein of 25 Venus Court

(Mother to 3 children in the RUSD district who walk that intersection regularly)

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From: [Elizabeth Welborn](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: crossing guard
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 7:33:46 PM

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Please ensure our crossing guard at Trestle Glen remains. Although I don't have young kids any more. I so have a hard time seeing around the corner up the hill. It would be a terrible mistake to take our cross guard from that space.

Elizabeth Welborn
Mercury Ave.
Belveron

April 22, 2026

Board of Commissioners, Transportation Authority of Marin
info@tam.ca.gov

Public Comment re Agenda Item 6 (Crossing Guard Location Selection)

Dear Board of Commissioners,

I currently serve as the President of the Board of Trustees of Reed Union School District (“RUSD”). I also reside in Tiburon and am the mother of two children who have attended RUSD schools. I write to express concerns regarding the scoring criteria used to identify the locations for crossing guards in Marin. I previously spoke with members of the TAM staff regarding my concerns.

The materials presented to the Board state that the recommendation of the locations for crossing guards is based on a scoring system developed by the TAM staff “that was based in part on the CMUTCD [California Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices] criteria and other factors.” (See pg. 37.) But, the criteria specified in the CMUTCD differs in 2 key respects from the scoring criteria developed by TAM because the TAM scoring fails to account for (a) pedestrian hybrid beacons and (b) the unique risk of public highways. (See CMUTCD excerpt attached.) These are not just technical issues but gaps that fail to account for real-world driver, bike and pedestrian behavior on our streets and the attendant risks for our school children.

First, I urge the Board to maintain guard funding for all school crossings with pedestrian hybrid beacons. Second, I ask that the Board consider expanding funding for crossing guards on high-capacity urban roads, like Tiburon Boulevard. Third, I ask that the Board direct the TAM staff to account for both pedestrian hybrid beacons and public highway/high-capacity urban roads in the scoring criteria used going forward.

Assign Guards to All School Crossings with Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons

RUSD has two crossings with pedestrian hybrid beacons: (a) Tiburon Blvd at Stewart and (b) Tiburon Blvd at Ned’s Way. Under the current scoring metric, I understand that crossing guards are recommended for those crossings, and I urge this Board to maintain funding for those crossing guards.

The TAM scoring criteria contains no metric to determine when guards are needed for crossings at “pedestrian hybrid beacons.” In contrast, the CMUTCD states that crossing guards should be considered for all crossings with pedestrian hybrid beacons regardless of vehicle or pedestrian traffic counts.¹

¹ In contrast, the CMUTCD and TAM scoring criteria align when it comes to uncontrolled, stop sign, and traffic signal intersections. For each of those intersections, both the CMUTCD and the TAM scoring identify pedestrian and vehicle traffic by the type of intersection to determine when a crossing guard might be warranted.

In a meeting with RUSD, the TAM staff admitted the TAM scoring criteria has no metric for intersections with pedestrian hybrid beacons and then suggested that pedestrian hybrid beacon intersections be scored as if they are stop signs, qualifying those crossings for guards in this funding cycle. I appreciate TAM staff listening to our concerns and reaching this result. I also urge the Board to go farther to ensure that all school crossings with pedestrian hybrid beacons receive crossing guards irrespective of their pedestrian and vehicle counts, as is recommended in the CMUTCD.

My personal experience with the pedestrian hybrid beacons is that they are highly-dangerous for all pedestrians and need crossing guards. On a weekly basis, I observe some variation of the following scenario at these intersections. A pedestrian will come to the crossing and push the crossing button. Before the light for vehicles changes, a car will stop and gesture for the pedestrian to cross. The pedestrian will then cross *prior* to the light changing (sometimes creating conflict with vehicle traffic in the far lane). After the pedestrian finishes crossing, the vehicles will start driving again despite the lights now signaling for the cars to stop and a walk sign remaining on for pedestrians. A second pedestrian will come hurrying to cross the intersection, see the walk signal, and enter the intersection believing that they have a protected crossing. But the cars have already started moving. The danger is compounded by the fact that cars do not have a clear line of sight to pedestrian approaches. Luckily, these events have not resulted in accidents (that I have witnessed) but all of them involved adults crossing outside of school hours (since we have school crossing guards). I cannot imagine what would happen if those people rushing into the intersection were small children who are both less visible to cars and more apt to rely on the “Walk” signal.

Public Highways Should Receive Priority in Crossing Guard Assignment

Tiburon Boulevard is both a high-capacity, public highway and the main road that RUSD students must navigate to reach their schools. More than 60% of pedestrian deaths in the U.S. occur along roads like Tiburon Blvd,² but TAM currently proposes to cut 33% of the crossing guards along Tiburon Blvd, vastly exceeding the cuts proposed for other areas of Marin.

According to the CDC, the vast majority of pedestrian fatalities occur on “high-capacity urban roads” with elevated speed limits, like Tiburon Boulevard. The CMUTCD recognizes this elevated risks and states that “Adult Crossing Guards **normally are assigned** where official supervision of school pedestrians is desirable, while they cross **a public highway, and at least 40 school pedestrians** for each of any two hours (not necessarily consecutive) daily use the crossing, while going to, or from, school” (emphasis added).

The importance and danger of the Tiburon Blvd crossings is highlighted by the fact that 7 of the 10 crossing guards that TAM currently funds for RUSD are stationed on Tiburon Blvd at these intersections:

² <https://www.cdc.gov/pedestrian-bike-safety/about/pedestrian-safety.html>

- Mar East,
- Lyford,
- Ned's Way,
- San Rafael,
- Miraflores,
- Stewart, and
- Trestle Glen.

An 8th Tiburon Blvd crossing (Blackfield) is funded through a swap arrangement with the town of Tiburon, and a 9th Tiburon Blvd crossing (Strawberry) serves the Mill Valley School District. The TAM scoring criteria removes funding for 3 of the 9 Tiburon Blvd crossing guards and proposes permanently eliminating one crossing from evaluation.³

TAM staff mentioned to me that it was odd for Tiburon Blvd to be losing so many guards. I believe this odd result occurred because the TAM scoring criteria does not properly account for heightened risks that public highways and high-capacity urban roads pose to pedestrians. I urge the Board to restore all the funded crossing guards for Tiburon Blvd and to revise the TAM scoring criteria to better account for the dangers posed by public highways and high-capacity urban roads, such as Tiburon Blvd.

Conclusion

In short, I urge you to (1) ensure that the Tiburon Blvd crossings at Stewart and Ned's Way continue to have a crossing guard; (2) consider expanding funding for crossing guards on public highways/high-capacity urban roads like Tiburon Boulevard; and (3) direct TAM staff to incorporate the dangers posed to pedestrians at pedestrian hybrid beacons and on high-capacity urban roads when they revise the scoring criteria.

Thank you for considering these points as you make your final decision.

Sincerely,



Shelby Pasarell Tsai
Trustee, Reed Union School District

³ The original TAM scoring criteria proposed removing 2 additional crossing guards for RUSD across Tiburon Blvd (Steward & Ned's Way) – a 55% reduction in guards on Tiburon Blvd. Those were restored because they utilize pedestrian hybrid beacons.

CHAPTER 7D. CROSSING SUPERVISION

Section 7D.01 Adult Crossing Guards

Option:

01 Adult crossing guards may be used to provide gaps in traffic at school crossings where an engineering study has shown that adequate gaps need to be created, and where authorized by law.

Support:

02 Adult crossing guards can also add conspicuity at the crossing where children, who are typically smaller in stature, might not be as visible.

03 High standards for selection of adult crossing guards are essential because they are responsible for the safety of and the efficient crossing of the street by schoolchildren within and in the immediate vicinity of school crosswalks.

Guidance:

04 *Jurisdictions should have policies and procedures for the qualifications, selection, and training of adult crossing guards.*

Option:

05 Adult Crossing Guards may be temporarily or permanently assigned at designated school crossings to assist school pedestrians at specified hours when going to or from school. The following suggested policy for their assignment applies only to crossings.

Guidance:

06 *An Adult Crossing Guard should be considered when:*

- A. *Special situations make it necessary to assist school pedestrians in crossing the street.*
- B. *A change in the school crossing location is being made, but prevailing conditions require school crossing supervision until the change is constructed and it is not reasonable to install another form of traffic control or technique for this period.*

Criteria for Adult Crossing Guards

Support:

07 Adult Crossing Guards normally are assigned where official supervision of school pedestrians is desirable, while they cross a public highway, and at least 40 school pedestrians for each of any two hours (not necessarily consecutive) daily use the crossing, while going to, or from, school.

08 Adult crossing guards can be considered under the following conditions:

1. At uncontrolled crossings where there is no alternate controlled crossing within 600 feet; and
 - a. In urban areas where the vehicular traffic volume exceeds 350 during each of any two hours (not necessarily consecutive) in which 40 or more school pedestrians cross daily while going to or from school; or
 - b. In rural areas where the vehicular traffic volume exceeds 300 during each of any two hours (not necessarily consecutive) in which 30 or more school pedestrians cross daily while going to or from school.Whenever the critical (85th percentile) approach speed exceeds 40 mph, the guidelines for rural areas should be applied.
2. At stop sign-controlled crossing:
Where the vehicular traffic volumes on undivided highways of four or more lanes exceeds 500 per hour during any period when the school pedestrians are going to or from school.
3. At traffic signal-controlled crossings:
 - a. Where the number of vehicular turning movements through the school crosswalk exceeds 300 per hour while school pedestrians are going to or from school; or
 - b. Where justified through analysis of the operations of the intersection.
4. At pedestrian hybrid beacon controlled crossings.

09 Consider discontinuing the use of Adult Crossing Guards at crossings when they no longer meet the conditions under which they were initially used.

Legal Authority and Program Funding for Adult Crossing Guards

Option:

10 Cities and counties may designate local law enforcement agencies, the governing board of any school district or a county superintendent of schools to recruit and assign adult crossing guards to intersections that meet approved guidelines for adult supervision.

Support:

- 11 There are various methods for funding a school adult crossing guard program. One of these methods is through the use of fines and forfeitures received under the Penal Code. Disposition of these fines and forfeitures is defined in CVC §§ 42200 and 42201.
- 12 An example of these dispositions by cities and counties is as follows:
- A. Disposition by cities (CVC § 42200). Fines and forfeitures received by cities and deposited into a "Traffic Safety Fund" may be used to pay the compensation of school crossing guards who are not regular full-time members of the police department of the city.
 - B. Disposition by county (CVC § 42201). Fines and forfeitures received by a county and deposited in the road fund of the county may be used to pay the compensation of school crossing guards, and necessary equipment and administrative costs. The board of supervisors may adopt standards for crossing guards and has final authority over the total cost of the crossing guard program.

Training Programs for Adult Crossing Guards

Support:

- 13 Caltrans and Active Transportation Resource Center (ATRC) provides local jurisdictions "California School Crossing Guard Training Program - Administration and Training Guidelines", to promote standardized training to newly employed Crossing Guards, as well as seasoned Crossing Guards, to help them understand their roles and responsibilities, learn about relevant laws and traffic regulations, practice proper crossing techniques, and foster safe school environments. More details on the training program and guideline are available at https://caatpresources.org/train_cot_crossguard.html.

Guidance:

- 14 *Adequate training should be provided in adult crossing guard responsibilities and authority. This function can usually be performed effectively by a law enforcement agency responsible for traffic control.*
- 15 *Training programs should be designed to acquaint newly employed or reassigned crossing guards with their specific duties, local traffic regulations, and crossing techniques. Training workshops may be used as a method of advising experienced employees of recent changes in existing traffic laws and program procedures. For example, crossing guards should be familiar with the California law which provides that any person who disregards any traffic signal or direction given by a non-student school crossing guard authorized by a law enforcement agency, any board of supervisors of a county or school district shall be guilty of an infraction and subject to the penalties of Section 42001 of the CVC (§ 2815).*

Section 7D.02 Operating Procedures for Adult Crossing Guards

Standard:

- 01 **Law enforcement officers performing school crossing supervision and adult crossing guards and school safety patrol shall wear high-visibility retroreflective safety apparel labeled as ANSI 107-2020 standard performance for Class 2, Type R, as described in Section 6C.05.**
- 02 **Adult crossing guards shall not direct traffic in the usual law enforcement regulatory sense. In the control of traffic, they shall pick opportune times to create a sufficient gap in the traffic flow. At these times, they shall stand in the roadway to indicate that pedestrians are about to use or are using the crosswalk, and that all vehicular traffic must stop.**
- 03 **Adult crossing guards shall use a STOP paddle. The STOP paddle shall be the primary hand- signaling device.**
- 04 **The STOP paddle shall comply with the provisions for a STOP/SLOW paddle (see Section 6D.02) except both sides shall be a STOP face.**
- 05 **The paddle shall be retroreflective or illuminated when used during hours of darkness.**

Option:

- 06 The 24 x 24 inch size of the STOP (C28A(CA) paddle may be used where greater emphasis is needed and speeds are 30 mph or more.

Support:

- 07 See Section 6D.02 for details on STOP paddles and rigid staff.

Section 7D.101(CA) School Safety Patrols

Support:

- 01 The California Education Code, Sections 49300 to 49307, and the California Code of Regulations, Sections 570 to 576 and 632, authorize the development of School Safety Patrols and outline rules for implementing these programs within the state.

From: [Jonathan Powers](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Please don't take away our crossing guard
Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 10:50:27 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I have recently heard that there has been discussion about discontinuing the crossing guard at the corner of Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd and I wanted to write in to say what a bad and very dangerous idea that is.

To begin with, Ms. Evie is such a nice and fantastic person, a real bright spot in everyone's day as they cross Tiburon Blvd on their way to school each morning. But it isn't just that she is so friendly and welcoming each morning, it's that she takes her job very seriously and really helps to ensure the safety of all people crossing there, especially the children. Now, I know that there is a new "No Turn" arrow that comes on, but that arrow is totally insufficient, poorly timed, and Ms. Evie still has to come out and physically stop cars that are trying to fly through the intersection. I must say as someone who crosses multiple points on Tiburon Blvd that the crossing at Trestle Glen is one of the most difficult and hazardous, and one where a crossing guard is most useful and needed.

Again, as a resident of Tiburon (we live up on Turtle Rock Ct) with young children (8, 6 and 2) I really value having a crossing guard at that intersection helping to keep children safe. I see tons of parents and students crossing there, especially students biking by themselves to Del Mar and I think it would be awful to get rid of a safety feature like Ms. Evie at the intersection.

Thank you so much for your time, I certainly hope you decide to continue the position.

Best
Jonathan

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Jonathan Powers

From: [Ory Ebrahimi](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Public comment regarding retaining crossing guard in Tiburon
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 8:10:37 PM

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Dear Transportation Authority of Marin Board and Staff,

I am writing as a Tiburon resident and parent to express my strong concern regarding the potential removal of the crossing guard at the intersection of Avenida Miraflores and Hilary Drive due to budget constraints.

I live nearby, at the corner of Rock Hill Drive and Hilary Drive, and my child walks to and from school each day. Like many families in this neighborhood, we rely on the presence of our crossing guard, Dave, to ensure our children can cross safely. His daily presence is not just helpful—it is essential.

The intersection at Avenida Miraflores and Hilary Drive presents real challenges. During morning drop-off hours, traffic is often rushed, and the sun shines directly into drivers' eyes, significantly reducing visibility. Even well-intentioned drivers can struggle under these conditions. Without a crossing guard actively managing crossings, the risk to children increases substantially. Cars do not always stop in time, and drivers may not see a child stepping into the street.

Dave consistently provides a level of attentiveness, control, and safety that cannot be replaced. While there is occasionally a police presence, it is infrequent and does not offer the same reliable, daily protection that a dedicated crossing guard provides before and after school.

I want to be candid: this issue has caused me real concern. My child's safety—and the safety of many other children in our neighborhood—would be directly impacted by this decision. Removing this position would shift unnecessary risk onto families and young students who depend on that protection every day.

Crossing guards are a relatively low-cost, high-impact safety measure. In a location like ours, where conditions already make navigation difficult, their presence is not optional—it is critical.

I respectfully urge the Authority to preserve the crossing guard position at Avenida Miraflores and Hilary Drive and to maintain this service for the upcoming school year.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ory Shirazi

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From: [Toni Lee](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Public Comment: Retain Crossing Guards on the Tiburon Peninsula — April 23, 2026 Meeting
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 5:34:40 PM

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Dear Transportation Authority of Marin Board and Staff,

I'm writing as a Reed Union School District parent to urge the Authority to retain all crossing guards currently serving the Tiburon Peninsula, and in particular the guard at Avenida Miraflores & Hilary Drive.

I want to speak specifically to why that location matters. The intersection has real sightline challenges due to the uphill and downhill grades. Drivers genuinely have to look in every direction and proceed with caution to navigate it safely. During school arrival and dismissal, peninsula traffic is heavily backed up, drivers are rushed, and the combination of poor visibility, time pressure, and children on foot and bike creates a daily risk that a trained crossing guard is uniquely positioned to manage.

For context: I serve on the Del Mar School PTA and have previously raised concerns directly with the Del Mar principal about fast, erratic driving and general driver confusion at the intersections near our schools. In response, the principal asked the Tiburon Police Department to have a presence on campus during drop-off and pick-up, and they have been showing up. It has made a real difference, and it speaks to how seriously our community takes student safety around these intersections. Ironically, a few months later I received a citation at Avenida Miraflores & Hilary Drive myself, and the ticket itself speaks to the problem. My car crossed the double yellow line while I was navigating a narrow street crowded with parked cars, at an intersection whose geometry makes it genuinely hard to stay in your lane and see oncoming traffic at the same time. If an attentive local driver can end up in that position, it underscores exactly why a trained crossing guard is so essential when children are in the mix.

PD visits are a helpful complement, but they are not a substitute for a dedicated crossing guard stationed at a known problem intersection every school day. If the intersection is hard for adult drivers who know it well, the margin for error for a child crossing it is far too thin to remove the human presence that currently makes it work. Crossing guards are one of the lowest-cost, highest-impact safety investments our community makes, and pulling them back at the exact windows when traffic volume and driver distraction peak would shift risk directly onto our kids.

I respectfully ask the Authority to preserve this service in full for the upcoming school year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Toni Lee
RUSD Parent

From: [Stewart Hindley](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 1:46:38 PM

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I'm a resident of Belveron and would like you to keep a crossing guard at the Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd intersection which serves our neighborhood.

Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd is a very dangerous intersection for pedestrians. A "No Right Turn" signal was recently put in to help improve safety, but it isn't sufficient to protect children given unique dynamics of the intersection.

There are numerous variables that make this intersection especially dangerous:

1. Poor visibility. The westbound road on Trestle Glen approaching the intersection is on a fairly steep uphill grade and elevated from the pedestrian walkway. There are numerous existing objects in the area that further block / obstruct the sight line, making it particularly hard for motorists stopped at the red light to see shorter / smaller people (especially children)
2. High frequency of motorists disregarding the pedestrian walk signal and the "No Right Turn" sign.
 - a. The red light at Trestle Glen is long and motorists get impatient to enter Tiburon Blvd. While waiting for their turn at the red light, motorists often look at the oncoming traffic to see if there's a break so they can enter, and do not see the pedestrians waiting to use the cross walk (in part because of the poor visibility referenced above).
 - b. When the light on Trestle Glen turns green, it is common for motorists on Trestle Glen to quickly enter the intersection, disregarding the pedestrian walk signal and the "No Right Turn" sign.
 - c. The "No Right Turn" sign only illuminates when the light turns green, so motorists don't see that beforehand. Motorists aren't used to that type of traffic control and are used to entering the intersection and turning right when the light turns green or there is a break in oncoming traffic.
 - d. Also, on the Tiburon Blvd section of the intersection, it is a relatively long intersection, meaning there is a meaningful amount of distance between where the intersection begins on Tiburon Blvd and the vehicles on Trestle Glen that want to enter Tiburon. When the traffic light on Tiburon blvd changes from green to yellow and red and traffic starts slowing down, it is common for motorists waiting at the red light on Trestle Glen to see that as an opportunity to quickly enter Tiburon Blvd, which is right when the light on Trestle Glen turns green, the "No right turn" sign illuminates and pedestrians

enter the intersection

3. Numerous close calls even with the crossing guard. Given above, I've witnessed numerous instances of motorists entering Tiburon Blvd when they are not supposed to, endangering pedestrians. I've seen the current crossing guard have to physically stop cars on numerous occasions, and on numerous occasions I've seen cars almost run her over as they speed in to the intersection. And that's an adult with a big "STOP" sign, yelling at them and wearing highly visible, reflective safety gear. Which underscores how dangerous this intersection is for children who would be much harder to see.

A crossing guard brings the safety needed for children to use that intersection to go to and from school.

Kind regards,
Stewart Hindley

From: [Sahar Naderi](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:17:46 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

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Thank you for considering,

Sahar Naderi on behalf of myself, my husband, and our 4&6 year old

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From: [Amy S](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:19:02 PM

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Hello,

I'm a resident of Belveron East and would like you to keep a crossing guard at the Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd intersection which serves our neighborhood.

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Thanks in advance for considering this critical need to help protect the children in the community.

Best,
Amy Stewart

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lauren Taymor](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 3:20:30 PM

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Re: Agenda Item #6 / Crossing Guard Location Selection

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Thank you for your consideration in keeping our children safe

From: [Sophia](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Re: Tiburon Crossing Guards
Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026 7:23:29 AM

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Dear Members of the Board for the Transportation Authority of Marin,

I am writing to express concern regarding the proposed budget cuts that would eliminate various crossing guards positions around Tiburon. My son currently attends Del Mar middle school and there is one crossing guard in particular – David (at the intersection mentioned below), who I have personally witnessed stopping or slowing cars as they get close to kids leaving school in the afternoon. As an involved community member (Library Foundation, PTA) and employee of a non-profit (Stanford University), I understand the challenges of budget allocation, but I believe that prioritizing safety for our children should be non-negotiable.

For example, the intersection of Avenida Miraflores & Hilary streets near the school is particularly busy, with cars coming from four directions. This congestion (especially in the afternoon) includes not only parents rushing to pick up their children but also those leaving for after-school activities – from the school as well as from neighboring homes, creating a chaotic environment. Some children cross in a straight line crossing one street, while others navigate an L-shaped path, having to cross two streets to get to their homes or to their rides.

While I recognize there may be areas/crosses with lower traffic volumes where crossing guards may not be as essential, I strongly believe that maintaining crossing guards at busy and/or complex intersections is vital for ensuring the safety of our kids, especially during peak traffic times before and after school.

I urge you to reconsider the cuts or to critically examine which specific positions really warrant elimination (perhaps watch the morning and afternoon traffic at varying locations yourself for 1 afternoon) and to evaluate the safety implications for the children of this community. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

Sophia Ghaffary (Parent and Tiburon resident)

From: [Nicole Hindley](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Cc: [Stewart Hindley](#)
Subject: Request to Maintain Crossing Guard at Trestle Glen & Tiburon Blvd
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 1:49:39 PM

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Dear TAM,

I am a resident of Belveron and the Safe Routes to School PTA representative for Reed elementary. I am writing to strongly request that a crossing guard be maintained at the intersection of Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd, which serves our neighborhood.

This intersection is particularly dangerous for pedestrians. While a “No Right Turn” signal was recently installed to improve safety, it is not sufficient especially for children given the unique and challenging dynamics of this location.

Several factors contribute to the heightened risk:

- **Poor visibility:** The westbound approach on Trestle Glen is on a steep uphill grade and elevated relative to the pedestrian walkway. Combined with existing obstructions, this creates significant blind spots, making it difficult for drivers—especially those stopped at the light—to see pedestrians, particularly smaller children.
- **Frequent violations:** Motorists regularly disregard both the pedestrian walk signal and the “No Right Turn” restriction.
- **Driver behavior at red lights:** The long red light on Trestle Glen often leads to impatience. Drivers tend to focus on oncoming traffic for an opening rather than watching for pedestrians, further compounded by the visibility challenges.
- **Unsafe acceleration on green:** When the light turns green, it is common for drivers to enter the intersection quickly, ignoring both pedestrian signals and the “No Right Turn” sign.
- **Delayed visibility of signage:** The “No Right Turn” sign only illuminates when the light turns green, which is not intuitive for drivers accustomed to turning right on green or during gaps in traffic.
- **Intersection timing and layout:** The length of the Tiburon Blvd intersection creates a scenario where drivers on Trestle Glen attempt to enter as Tiburon traffic slows for a red light—precisely when pedestrians begin crossing and the restriction becomes active.

Even with a crossing guard present, there have been numerous close calls. I have personally witnessed drivers entering the intersection when they should not, putting pedestrians at risk. The current crossing guard has had to physically stop vehicles multiple times, and there have been instances where drivers nearly struck her despite her high visibility and active warnings. This underscores just how hazardous this intersection is especially for children, who are smaller and less visible.

More broadly, we want to emphasize that our community deeply values our crossing guards. Tiburon Blvd functions as a major transportation artery and should be treated with the same level of caution as a highway. It serves as a primary route for multiple schools and experiences

significant congestion during school drop-off and pick-up hours.

We have actively encouraged families to reduce traffic by having students take the bus, walk, or bike to school. As a result, there are more children using crosswalks along Tiburon Blvd than ever before. While this is a positive shift, it also makes the presence of crossing guards even more critical. Losing any crossing guards along this corridor especially during school commute hours would significantly increase the risk to students.

Given these ongoing safety concerns, the presence of a crossing guard is not just helpful but essential. Removing this safeguard would increase the likelihood of serious injury.

Thank you for your attention to this critical safety issue. I urge you to prioritize maintaining the crossing guard at this intersection and along Tiburon Blvd.

Best,

Nicole Hindley, SR2S PTA Representative Reed Elementary School

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Nicole Hindley



From: [Melanie Koch](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Support for Crossing Guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 12:34:28 PM

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Hello,

I am a resident of Belveron and am writing to express my strong support for keeping the crossing guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd.

This intersection is dangerous for pedestrians, especially children. The existing traffic controls (even the new ones) are not enough. Drivers, cyclists, and other traffic do not always follow the signals even with the crossing guard present. The crossing guard plays an important role in helping children and families cross safely.

Please keep a crossing guard at this location.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Melanie Koch

From: [John W. Hamilton](#)
To: [TAM Info](#)
Subject: Support for keeping crossing guard at Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd
Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 3:47:28 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to express support for keeping a crossing guard at the intersection of Trestle Glen and Tiburon Blvd. This is a very busy intersection with many cars and children crossing Tiburon Blvd to go to school. The design of the intersection is very dangerous because there is a hill that limits drivers' visibility of crossing pedestrians until the vehicle is almost in the intersection. I live near this intersection and often cross here on foot and bike and have observed drivers not noticing pedestrians and the no-turn light. We are very grateful to have a crossing guard at this intersection currently and are glad that it helps keep our children safe. Please continue to fund the crossing guard at this intersection going forward.

Thank you.

John & Anna Hamilton