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To MMAC Board Members.

I live in Westhaven but McKinleyville is where I mostly shop for food and hardware books, go to the library and post office, get haircuts, have my pharmacy, see my optometrist, and get my gardening supplies and plants.

I have always felt that the speedy four lanes on Central Avenue are out of place in the town. I don't often walk, but it is a fraught enterprise when I do because of the wide expanse to get across in the duration of the light (not that there are enough crossing spots in any case). I would like something more like Arcata's downtown and less like El Camino in San Mateo (or Sacramento).

The proposal to slow everything down and make room for pedestrians and bike riders strikes me as an excellent idea. With the "freeway" down the middle of McKinleyville it will never feel or be safe and welcoming.

Thanks for considering my view.

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