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To whom it May Concern:

I'm writing to give my opinion on the consideration of installing a traffic signal at the N Main and Cherokee Dr intersection. I have lived here for almost a year and I do believe a traffic signal is necessary and will help us a lot since cars coming from Main sometimes drive too fast and its hard to see them when making a turn into main. I've seen people specially kids crossing street and cars sometimes barely stop before making their way into Cherokee due to cars parked blocking view. I hope this traffic signal becomes reality soon. Thanks for taking time to read this letter.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Javier Mendez', written in a cursive style.

Resident of 1820 Cherokee Dr

FAX #: 831-758-7935
To: Robert Russell, Salinas Public Works Dept.
From: Doris Takayama & Gene Kobayashi
Date: 10/09/17
Subject: Traffic Signal: N. Main St & Cherokee Dr
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Message: opinion letter in opposition to this request for traffic signal at the intersection of N. Main St. & Cherokee Dr.

October 7, 2017

Robert Russell
Salinas Public Works Department
200 Lincoln Ave
Salinas, CA 93901
FAX 831-758-7935

Dear Mr. Russell,

We are long time owners and residents at Willowood Townhomes located on North Main Street and Cherokee Drive in which we recently learned about a request to install a new traffic signal. We are strongly opposed to this proposal/request for a traffic signal in our neighborhood for the following reasons:

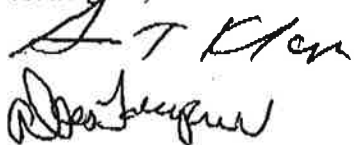
Increase traffic and noise in our neighborhood already impact by limited street parking; noise from large distribution trucks in the evenings/early mornings; heavy traffic on N. Main St. Alvin, and First St.

Deprecation of our property and home value in which we have resided for the past 27 years

Increase in criminal activities and unsafe conditions: a traffic signal will increase vehicles into our residential neighborhood in which there is a park only a block from the proposed traffic light where children play soccer/T-ball, three years ago a car had already driven through one of the Willowood Townhome unit, and recently our homeowner association had to install security cameras due to an increase in vandalism, burglaries, and robberies.

This is our neighborhood where we live, if a traffic light request is made, let it come from the residents that live at N Main Street/Cherokee Drive, and not from the Harden Commercial Ranch Developers that make this request to increase their "bottom line" and for convenience to their businesses. We recommend that the City Council deny this request based on the negative impact it will have on our residential neighborhood.

Best Regard,



Doris Takayama and Gene Kobayashi

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
TO CONSIDER INSTALLING A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE
N MAIN STREET AND CHEROKEE DR INTERSECTION**

**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
SALINAS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
200 LINCOLN AVENUE, SALINAS, CA**

On October 12, 2017, the Salinas Traffic and Transportation Commission (T&TC) will consider requests to install a new traffic signal at the intersection of N Main St and Cherokee Dr. Staff has reviewed the request and considered operations, took traffic counts, and reviewed accident history at the intersection. Based on that information, the intersection meets warrants for traffic signal installation. Upon reviewing the local traffic operations the proposed signal and change of access would potentially improve operations at adjacent intersections through redistribution of trips and provide more direct pedestrian connectivity at controlled crosswalks. City staff is partnering with the Harden Ranch Development to propose and deliver this project.

The Traffic and Transportation Commission will consider this issue at their **October 12, 2017 meeting at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held in the **Council Chambers** (round building at the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Gabilan Street), 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas. The Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to Council for final consideration and action.

The public may voice their opinions at the Traffic and Transportation Commission meeting at the time/location stated above. The public may also write **Mayor Robert Hudson** at Salinas Public Works Department, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, CA 94606 (Fax # 758-7240). Letters/faxes should be received by 3:00 p.m. on October 11th so they can be distributed to the Commissioners.

If you would like a copy of the Traffic and Transportation Commission report, contact Crissy English at 758-7121.

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