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To:

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Subject:

Safety Concerns around Lindero Middle School

Date:

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Hello Agoura Hills City Council,

We live across from Lindero Middle School at There are a variety of safety concerns that need to be addressed. Many different times of the day and night there are many cars that speed down our street.

There are no signs of what the speed limit should be on our street or other

streets around the school.

There are no red paint by the corners where the fire hydrants are on Lake Lindero, Wheelhouse, Rainbow View Drive, Rainbow Hill, Larboard.
There are kids and adults walking on the sidewalks and they have to cross the

Street to where they are going.

We should have speed bumps on our street. This would help those that speed.

Also our sidewalks need to be fixed as there are broken ones up and down the street.

Thank you for your time.

Barbara and Bernie Maddis

From: To:

Jennifer P Miller Comments **Amber Victoria**

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A life-saving idea

Date:

Wednesday, September 22, 2021 12:05:40 AM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to propose a life-saving and property saving measure that will help protect all residents of Agoura Hills.

Section 19202 of the State of California Health and Safety Code is regarding the installation of automatic earthquake shut-off valves for gas meters, in the event of a quake 4.5 or larger. After a large quake, 1 in 4 fires is related to a natural gas leak. This can be prevented by the installation of approved shut-off valves installed by a licensed plumber.

The entire city of LA, Malibu, Alameda, Berkeley and multiple other California cities require that a new purchase requires the installation of one of these safety shut-off valves, as well as for all new construction. The average cost is between \$300-\$500, including the valve and labor. Considering the value of a home, and the high deductibles for earthquake coverage, this is a drop in the bucket. Not to mention the potential for saving lives that could be lost in a fire.

Since this would be unlikely to be required retroactively (although that would be ideal), I propose that going forward all home sales and new construction require the installation of this life-saving equipment. It is no different than the required smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, and these valves certainly offer the same valuable protection. Buyer and sellers can come to an agreement on who pays for the valve, so for as little as \$200 each, literally a home and/or a life could be saved.

I can't see a possible reason why anyone would object to this. I've bought and sold several homes in Southern California, and when moving to Agoura Hills was surprised to learn that it was not a requirement. I went ahead and had one installed on my own gas meter. But I live in a townhouse, and share a wall with a neighbor without this protection. If their house goes up in the flames, mine likely would also, and all other houses in the row. I believe if this was a law, I would be better able to persuade them of the value of installing one of their own, and encourage all my neighbors, all of whom share walls, to do the same.

As we know, earthquakes can happen at any time, with no warning. They do not stop at the border of Agoura Hills. This measure could only benefit our community.

I hope you will consider and approve this proposal.

Thank you,

Jennifer Miller

P.S. I will hopefully attend the zoom meeting on the 22nd, and am happy to discuss if needed.