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Dear Council Members,

We have been residents at the intersection since 2014, and during that time, we have witnessed an ongoing safety concern. Our children, along with many others from the neighborhood, frequently cross these streets to access the park. With the construction of the new waterpark, we anticipate that traffic will only increase, further exacerbating the current issues.

For years, my husband and I, along with others in the community, have repeatedly raised concerns to the city and traffic control about the dangerous speeding and reckless driving that occurs along Stan Roots Street and Tatton Court. From our home, where we both work daily, we regularly observe drivers racing down these streets and failing to stop at the stop signs, posing a serious threat to pedestrians and especially to children. As parents, we are deeply concerned about our kids' safety. They often play ball near the street, and in their excitement, they sometimes run into the road without hesitation to retrieve the ball. There have been several near misses, particularly involving children on scooters who are difficult for speeding drivers to see when making turns.

One of the most alarming times of day is lunchtime, when high school students drive through the neighborhood to nearby fast food establishments, often speeding and racing each other. In addition, trucks that should be using the main roads, such as King Road and Dufferin Street, frequently cut through our neighborhood, posing an even greater danger.

Despite multiple complaints and promises from local officials, no effective action has been taken to address these concerns. While speed cameras may generate revenue from tickets, they will not resolve the immediate safety risks. What we urgently need is the installation of speed bumps along Stan Roots Street and Tatton Court. Speed bumps will not only deter speeding but will also discourage trucks from using these streets as a shortcut.

I urge the council to take meaningful action before a serious accident occurs. The installation of speed bumps, coupled with more frequent police patrols to enforce traffic laws, would greatly improve safety in our neighborhood and prevent potential tragedies. We ask for a solution that will make a real difference, rather than temporary measures like cameras that do little to curb reckless driving.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

Marina