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# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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April 20, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

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**SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF POMONA SAFETY ACTION PLAN RELATED TO  
TRAFFIC SAFETY**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-32 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE POMONA  
SAFETY ACTION PLAN**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This action, approval of the Resolution adopting the Pomona Safety Action Plan, will position the City of Pomona (City) for Federal Roadway Safety funding eligibility by aligning transportation planning with the Safe System Approach, identifying safety focus areas and High Injury Network, and aim to reduce fatal and serious injury collisions citywide. The Pomona Safety Action Plan includes a list of projects for future grant opportunities.

## **SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no direct fiscal impact with the adoption of the Pomona Safety Action Plan (PSAP), FD428, Capital Improvement (CIP) | CC2590, Capital Improvement (CIP) | Project Work Tag No. 68590. The PSAP has identified twelve proposed projects listed below with their associated budgetary cost. These projects were developed from traffic and safety data collected and analyzed, as well as input from community outreach performed by City staff and the consultant. Each project focuses on different infrastructure and traffic safety improvements with the goal to reduce fatal and serious injuries citywide in line with moving towards a Vision Zero for traffic safety.

ITEM	PROJECT	APRIL 2026 ESTIMATE
1	Citywide Signal Enhancements	\$15,457,000
2	Unsignalized Intersections Safety Improvements	\$16,384,000
3	Indian Hill Boulevard Safety Improvements	\$5,762,000
4	Citywide Signage & Striping Upgrades	\$36,918,000
5	Citywide Street Light Upgrade / Inventory	\$32,102,000
6	Improving Corridor Access Throughout the City	\$30,626,000
7	Improvements near Schools	\$14,893,000
8	Addition of Left Turn Arrows at Signals	\$9,268,000
9	Bike Safety Improvement	\$6,900,000
10	Mission Boulevard Corridor Improvement	\$9,093,000
11	Towne Avenue Corridor Improvement	\$11,646,000
12	Garey Avenue Downtown Corridor Improvement	\$5,127,000
		\$194,176,000

Development of each project includes a budgetary estimate in April 2026 dollars which were prepared prior to any international conflicts. Estimates can be used in pursuing future grant opportunities such as Active Transportation Program (ATP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART), Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Clean California Local Grant Program. It is through these grant sources that the City will submit applications for funding to install and construct these safety improvements over time.

It should be noted that the listed grant funding sources require a Local City match of funding which is typically 20% of the grant amount. The City would need to provide funding match with either General Fund or appropriate City transportation funding depending on project.

**PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:**

On September 19, 2022, the City Council adopted the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Strategic Plan. The adoption of the SS4A Strategic Plan allowed the City to apply for roadway safety funding to implement traffic safety improvements.

On June 3, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-68 to create a new project “Pomona Safety Action Plan,” Project No. 428-68590, accepting, increasing revenue estimates and appropriating \$400,000 of SS4A Grant funds to the project.

On June 2, 2025, the City Council awarded a professional consulting services contract to TJKM Transportation Consultants for “Pomona Safety Action Plan,” Project 428-2590-XXXXX-68590, for developing the City’s Safety Action Plan, in the amount of \$481,409.

On March 2, 2026, the City Council approved 12 draft projects for the Pomona Safety Action Plan (PSAP). Staff was directed to review additional project areas brought up by Councilmember(s), verify that they were included in the approved 12 draft projects, and to bring the PSAP forth, including the final 12 projects, for approval.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Staff successfully submitted an application for the SS4A Grant Program and was awarded \$400,000 from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration. The grant allowed the City to create a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan to address areas where safety countermeasures are urgently needed. The plan identifies areas to inform and guide further safety evaluation of the City's transportation network.

The City of Pomona conducted an extensive, multi-modal community engagement process to inform project prioritization and ensure that transportation safety investments reflect both data-driven needs and public concerns. Outreach efforts included multi-lingual materials and outreach materials shared at public events, as well as, web based sites; a total of 1,086 individual and online responses received by the public. Of the 1,086 responses, 365 responses were from Survey 1, 375 responses were from Survey 2, and 346 responses were from the Online Map Input,. In addition, we received a total of 80 responses from the Community Outreach submissions, complemented by five community meetings, three stakeholder meetings, 11 pop-up events, 22 city staff meetings, and one City Council meeting. As the document notes, this process generated a substantial volume of input across platforms, demonstrating broad and diverse participation.

Collision data from the past five years reveals consistent patterns across time, location, and road user type. The analysis highlights that the highest number of fatal or severely injured collisions occurred in 2023 (53 collisions), with intersections, nighttime conditions, and right-of-way violations emerging as major contributors. Pedestrians and motorcyclists represent a disproportionately high share of severe injuries, while most collisions overall involve cars and occur during clear weather and afternoon or evening hours.

These findings directly informed the development of systemic, citywide safety projects. The proposed plan explains that such initiatives address recurring deficiencies, including inadequate visibility, outdated traffic control devices, inconsistent signage and pavement markings, and insufficient lighting. The alignment between collision patterns and community feedback, particularly concerns about speeding, poor lighting, and signal compliance, underscores the need for comprehensive improvements across the roadway network rather than isolated, location specific interventions. Below is a description of each proposed safety enhanced project.

1. Citywide Signal Enhancements – Upgrading 196 City signalized intersections which includes signal heads, poles, lighting, controller cabinets, etc.
2. Unsignalized Intersections Safety Improvements – Enhancing pedestrian visibility through signing and striping replacement, lighting upgrades, adding medians, and high friction surface treatments.
3. Indian Hill Boulevard Safety Improvements – A holistic approach to increase safety along a corridor through signal synchronization, median islands, CCTV cameras, speed feedback signage, advanced warning signage, high visibility crosswalks, lighting enhancements, and communication.
4. Citywide Signage & Striping Upgrades – Replacement of all existing roadway signage to upgraded retro-reflective signs, LED blinking signage, and pavement marking and striping enhancements.
5. Citywide Street Light Upgrade / Inventory – Replacement of old street light standards (HPS, MV, IND) to LED lighting standards, including solar LED roadway lighting.
6. Improving Corridor Access Throughout the City – Paving enhancements on roads, landscaped median islands, new traffic signal hardware, and signing and striping.
7. Improvements near Schools – Improved curb extensions, enhanced crosswalks, bike lanes with median islands, and upgraded traffic signal equipment.
8. Addition of Left Turn Arrows at Signals – Upgraded traffic signal poles with left turn signal heads, new LED countdown pedestrian heads, retro-reflective backplates, upgraded traffic signal controllers.
9. Bike Safety Improvement – Installation of new Class II bike lanes and Class II with buffered bike lanes.
10. Mission Boulevard Corridor Improvement – Increasing corridor safety through implementation of signal synchronization, median islands, CCTV cameras, Class II bike lanes, advanced warning signage, high visibility crosswalks, lighting enhancements, and communication.
11. Towne Avenue Corridor Improvement - Corridor improvements through implementation of signal synchronization, median islands, CCTV cameras, advanced warning signage, high visibility crosswalks, lighting enhancements, and communication.
12. Garey Avenue Downtown Corridor Improvement - Increasing corridor safety through implementation of signal synchronization, median islands, upgraded signal timing, CCTV cameras, Class II bike lanes, advanced warning signage, high visibility crosswalks, lighting enhancements, and communication.

On March 2, 2026, City Council was presented this list of safety improvement projects for potential inclusion in the Final Pomona Safety Action Plan. The projects target both intersections and corridors citywide. The presentation of the projects covered the collective data in relation to vehicle and/or pedestrian fatalities and injuries, as well as the community outreach/input involved in the development of the project list. In addition, each project presentation included the overall safety improvement types including the estimated project budget in early 2026 dollars. There were individual projects identified at the March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as well as at follow-up meeting; however, these safety concerns are addressed in the Citywide intersection projects included within the Pomona Safety Action Plan.

The adoption of this plan, including the 12 projects City Council approved at its March 2, 2026 Meeting, is a necessary step for the City to become eligible to apply for and receive federal implementation grants that support safety improvements. By formally adopting the plan which highlights the need for over \$194M of investment for safety, the City demonstrates its commitment to meeting federal requirements and prioritizing strategies that reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities. This action ensures that Pomona can compete for funding opportunities that help turn safety strategies into real, on-the-ground improvements.

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**ATTACHMENT:**

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution 2026-32

Attachment No. 2 – Pomona Safety Action Plan