

Sept 17, 2021

Dear Mayor and Council,

We are writing to you as an aligned group of residents living in the Rainbow Drive/Matterhorn Drive area of Alpine Meadows that are **concerned about pedestrian, biking and children safety**.

Specifically, we have observed that a lack of biking and walking infrastructure, coupled with high traffic volumes, is creating a safety risk in our neighborhood. The investment in simple and proven infrastructure would greatly reduce the safety risk and support active transportation in the area. The following letter details our concerns and proposed solutions.

The area of concern is along Rainbow Drive between Alpine Way and Buckhorn Dr intersections; Matterhorn Dr between the Rainbow and Drifter intersections; and Camino Drive – see green route in appended map.

This area is unique in its high concentration of pedestrian and biking use in part due to:

- the proximity to Meadow Park and the terminus of the Valley Trail at Camino Dr;
- being the primary access route for residents of Alpine Meadows “South” to the Alpine Café commercial area;
- the routing of the city and school bus routes; and
- the high number of young children living, recreating and commuting in this neighborhood (we anecdotally count 15 families with over 30 children residing in our area of concern);

We ask that the following two investments are made to our neighborhood roads:

1. The creation of a separated biking/pedestrian lane along Rainbow, Matterhorn and Camino Drives. The recently installed bike/pedestrian lane along Nestors Dr serves as an example.
2. The reconfiguration of the Rainbow/Matterhorn/Camino intersection to improve crossing safety and reduce speeds. For consideration:
 - a. Eliminate the “slip” lane from Rainbow onto Matterhorn Dr. This acts as a blind corner for drivers, impeding their view of the crosswalk and pedestrians/bikers on Matterhorn Dr. In addition, we have observed that drivers will often accelerate and speed through the corner as they approach the Matterhorn hill.
 - b. The addition of a crosswalk across Rainbow Drive on the north side of the Rainbow/Matterhorn intersection. Currently the crossing is only demarcated on the south side of the intersection.

We are encouraged by and support the steps that the RMOW is taking to promote active transportation in our community with great excitement about the neighborhood speed limit reduction. Thank you for your time and consideration and look forward to seeing these improvements made.


Mac Lowry

on behalf of following Residents of Alpine Meadows

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8421 Matterhorn Dr
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Map – Proposed area for separated pedestrian/biking lane

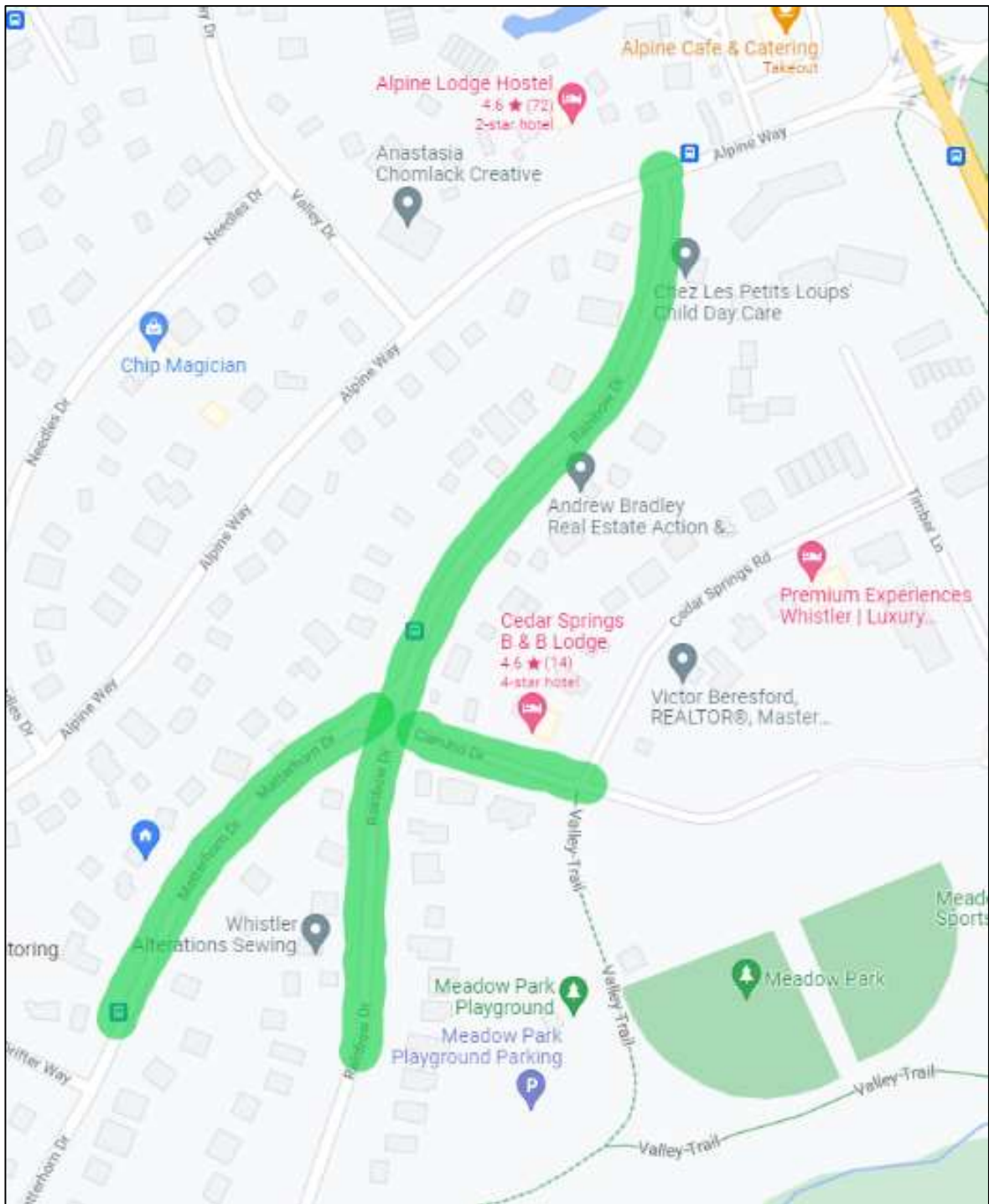


Photo 1 – example of pedestrian/biking lane from Nesters rd.



Photo 2 – blind approach to Matterhorn Dr. hill from Rainbow Dr which is often the site of speeding.

