To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City

From: Council Councilmember Harrison

SUBJECT: Budget Referral for the Installation of Safety Improvements at the intersection of Fulton and Durant

RECOMMENDATION
Refer to the City Manager to assess and fund the most cost effective method of improving pedestrian safety for the following intersection: Fulton and Durant. Possibilities include, but are not limited to, a Yield to Pedestrians sign or a separate light for cars going south and turning left from Fulton onto Durant going east.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION
Cost of safety improvement.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
No ecological impact.

BACKGROUND
The intersection of Fulton and Durant, specifically the easternmost crosswalk across Durant, presents a serious safety concern. This is aggravated by the fact that this intersection is a major pedestrian route for Berkeley students going to and from campus. Cars turning left from Fulton onto Durant frequently stop just short of the eastern crosswalk which, unlike the other crosswalks in the intersection, is at an obtuse angle and thus creates a larger turn. Multiple students have reported collisions and near-collisions when crossing at this crosswalk on their way to campus.

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