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To council and city staff

This petition represents 30+ downtown residents in just one of several buildings, directly and detrimentally affected by the speed ramp installed on Front street.
Please note the full endorsement of our Strata council president as well.

We contend this ramp, rather than promoting safe pedestrian crossings and slower vehicles has done the opposite. Safe drivers and law abiders are not the problem. It is the noticeable ramp related increase in reckless behaviour that is our concern.

This new danger, coupled with accelerating speeds and neighbourhood destroying noise is unacceptable to us. Noise has become the number one urban complaint world wide, and unnecessary traffic noise is the main culprit.

Along with the video clips and photographs of dangerous and noisy 'ramp' related driving practices previously sent to council and city staff, we would like to include this petition.

Our solution.....remove the ramp and install a regular pedestrian activated blinking crosswalk and a speed limit sign.we note there are no signs in this block.

Please rectify this situation in front of our historic courthouse, and make our centrepiece neighbourhood safer and quieter once again. The daily law breaking behaviour is akin to a constant 'Mad Max' movie prequel...and the disrespect to the courthouse, especially to the Queen's half mast flag recently, goes completely unchecked. The juxtaposition is jarring!

We know enhanced safety was your intention, and we applaud the effort. However, this speed ramp is an urban engineering mistake that needs correcting.
Thank you for your continued consideration

The residents of 38 Front street (the Pacifica)

ps this is a recent 'beef' in our local paper....no not mine :-)

"BEEF To the city bylaws officers and police. A massive blitz against ridiculously, purposely noisy vehicles is long overdue. Motorcycles announce their arrival for several miles, disturbing hundreds of taxpayers everywhere, every day. After-market mufflers on diesel pickups, to make them even louder on purpose? Please ban the sale and installation of these noise-pollution items."

It is quickly becoming evident that this problem of noisy vehicles and speed is a growing phenomenon....I would suggest, should you agree with us about the removal of the speed ramp....phrase it as an attempt at recapturing our courthouse on Front st from 'out of control speeders' and noisy show-offs. Could be an effective municipal political stance.

And as a last thought....perhaps my building should have been a hotel rather than a residence...The city, for 12 years, has failed us completely in all matters of privacy, noise, parking, and deliveries capacity...We are the last to be 'informed' and the first to be affected, with every decision. It would be great to be heard with this plea!

We, the residents of the Pacifica at 38 Front St. Nanaimo, B.C. are petitioning the City of Nanaimo to remove the recently installed raised crosswalk in front of our building and replace it with a conventional flat crosswalk like the one that was previously in place. The reasons for our request are as follows -

- Extreme noise from motorcycles, muscle cars who rev their engines, cross over the bump and accelerate and most certainly exceed the 30 mph speed limit putting pedestrians at risk while attempting to cross the crosswalk at Chapel St.
- noise from transit buses slowing for the bump, crossing over and accelerating
- lack of enforcement

There are five large residential complexes and two large hotels in a two block radius including a number of businesses and restaurants impacted by this unacceptable noise. A number of residents in our building have or will be moving out as they can no longer tolerate this.

We would also request that pedestrian controlled lights be installed at these two crosswalks in keeping with those presently in place at all other crosswalks along this stretch of Front St. north of the Port Place mall. *Karen Benner*

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