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In Los Angeles, a pedestrian is killed on city streets every three days. In 2015, Mayor Garcetti issued an executive order to eliminate traffic fatalities within 10 years. Achieving Vision Zero requires a comprehensive and strategic approach to pedestrian safety that accelerates project delivery in our highest priority locations.

Currently, the City relies heavily on state and federal funding to leverage limited local resources and maximize the total available funding for safety projects. To maximize grant funding, the City combines the most competitive projects into federal grant applications, which in effect means that our most dangerous locations are addressed with the most difficult funding source, creating a high risk of project delays.

Furthermore, a recent decision by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to prohibit the continued use of one of the most cost-effective pedestrian safety treatments, Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFBs), has created uncertainty for many planned and funded projects across the city and the potential for additional project delays. Resolution of this design issue is needed for safety projects to move forward expeditiously.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) be directed to report back within 30 days on a recommended replacement pedestrian safety device for locations where LADOT had planned to install RRFBs.

I FURTHER MOVE that LADOT report back within 90 days on options to continue strategically leveraging state and federal grant funding opportunities without unduly delaying critical safety projects.

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