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**Subject:** Let's keep improving our crosswalks!

Hello Transportation Commission,

Please find attached a little comparison between our current best practice crosswalk and one I came across in Holland, Michigan. I am grateful for the continued improvements that have been made and are being made around town, but we must take every opportunity to make our streets safer, especially with an eye towards longevity.

What I am trying to make clear with this comparison is that our “best” could be better. We keep trying to solve a “failure to yield” problem when what we actually have is a speed management problem. If we don’t address speed in a meaningful way, we will never solve our “failure to yield” problem, and never get close to the aspirations of Vision Zero. While RRFBs have become the gold standard here, they are effectively just really expensive versions of the little orange flags on sticks (albeit with likely far better use rates). We have invested a lot in them and I am concerned they are not a great long term solution.

When I saw the plans for Miller Road at the open houses last year, they indicated many speed tables and raised crosswalks. Though I am not familiar with how these have been detailed, this does give me hope that we are headed in the right direction, but we can \*always\* do better at every opportunity. I appreciate your time and service to the city.

Thank you,  
Seth Peterson  
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