



Legislation Text

File #: 13-452, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Request approval of Transportation Safety Commission recommended traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures on Marshall Road SW.

EXPLANATION AND SUMMARY :

On July 29, 2014 and September 30, 2014 the Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) heard public discussion regarding a citizen petition requesting traffic calming on Hillcrest Drive SW.

These discussions resulted in the approval of the following motion on September 30, 2014 -

- Two crosswalks should be implemented; one that crosses Marshall Road SW at the intersection of Marshall Road and Hillcrest Drive, and one that crosses Hillcrest Drive SW on the north side of the intersection.
- The TSC further recommends a reduced curb radius on both sides indicated with pavement markings at DPW's discretion.

Subsequently, on October 28, 2014 the Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) heard public discussion regarding a citizen petition requesting traffic calming on Marshall Road SW.

These discussions resulted in the approval of the following motion -

- The TSC recommends re-alignment of the center striping along Marshall Road from Ware Street to Delilah Drive to the center of the road and lane narrowing striping on both sides of the entire length of Marshall Road, except the north side of Marshall Road between Nutley Street and Delilah Drive.
- The relocation of the crosswalk at the intersection of Marshall Road and the north side of Ware Street to the east side of the intersection, and adding a new crosswalk at the east side of Avery Court.
- The installation of rectangular rapid flash beacon (RRFB) pedestrian signs at the Delilah, Pickett, and Ware Street intersection crosswalks.
- A curb and gutter bump-out on the southern side of the Ware Street intersection.
- The installation of a climbing bike lane on the south side of Marshall Road from Nutley Street to an end point between Kings Way Court and Ware Street at the discretion of DPW.

Please see attached memo from Chairman Somers detailing the TSC's recommendations including a map of proposed improvements.

Also attached is a letter from the Principal of Marshall Road Elementary School in support of traffic calming along Marshall Road SW.

The proposed recommended improvements will provide safer and slower conditions for pedestrians and vehicles. The Department of Public Works is recommending a BMP facility located in the proposed curb bump-out grass area that will treat pollutants from a portion of Marshall Road and surrounding area.

Departmental Recommendation : Previously approved TSC projects have exhausted FY 2015 DPW funds for new crosswalks. Town Council could approve the concept presented; with construction funds identified in future General Fund or CIP budgets.

Finance Recommendation : Not currently funded. Funding to be identified in future budgets.

Purchasing Recommendation : N/A

Town Attorney Recommendation : The Town may consider the proposed traffic calming and crosswalk measures in its discretion.

Town Manager's Recommendation : I recommend the Town Council approve the installation of the TSC recommended crosswalks at Hillcrest Drive SW in the amount of \$12,000 and approve the installation of the TSC recommended traffic calming and crosswalks on Marshall Road SW in the amount of \$145,000 as presented.

Cost and Financing: \$12,000 (Hillcrest Drive SW crosswalks) and \$145,000 (Marshall Road SW traffic calming and crosswalks)

Account Number: to be determined

Decision Needed by This date: N/A

PROPOSED/SUGGESTED MOTION

"I move to approve the installation of the TSC recommended crosswalks at Hillcrest Drive SW in the amount of \$12,000 with funding identified in a future budget."

And

"I move to approve the installation of the TSC recommended traffic calming and crosswalks on Marshall Road SW in the amount of \$145,000 with funding identified in a future CIP."

Or

Other action deemed necessary by Council.