

Roadway Safety Plan Committee (RSPC)

February 26, 2024 • 4:00 PM • 2ND Floor Conference Room • City Hall

Agenda

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Minutes January 29, 2024
- D. Election of a Vice Chair
- E. Committee Business
 - a. Project Website
 - i. Active
 - ii. Public Survey
 - b. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting
 - c. Stakeholder Engagement
 - i. Completed Stakeholder Meetings
 - 1. Bicycle Pedestrian Path Advisory Committee (BPPAC)
 - ii. Future Stakeholder Meetings
 - d. Data Collection / Data Analysis
 - e. Discussion Items
- F. New Business
 - a. Letter from residents of East Keene
- G. Next Meeting: March 25, 2024
- H. Adjourn

ATTN: Don Lussier, City Engineer

Jesse Rounds, Community Development Director

Steven Stewart, Police Chief

Roadway Safety Action Plan Committee

MFSI Committee Members

Cc: Elizabeth Dragon

Patty Little

Re: Request for Traffic Calming on East-side Keene Streets

Street vehicle speed is of great concern to residents of East Keene. On Water Street, vehicles traveling eastbound pass through the narrow corridor in front of American House and tend to accelerate as the visible travel space widens due to the lack of curb strip trees and the increased setback of the buildings, as well as in anticipation of the hill ahead. Likewise, vehicles traveling west down the hill tend to accelerate over the same stretch, coming down the hill with the visibility of the roadway ahead. Perceptions of increased speed on Carpenter, Valley, South Lincoln, and Church Streets as well as the exodus from Victoria Street also raise issues of safety.

We recognize that this is a qualitative measurement of the situation. We ask that a speed measurement device – "silent policeman" be deployed on these streets so proper quantitative data can be obtained. Assuming the data supports our sense of the problem, we would then look for traffic-calming features to be installed in this area. The types of calming could easily be incorporated with tree installation, better bike lane striping, and crosswalk repainting. A speed table or other feature may be appropriate. Chicanes or traffic shifts would also be options as the City entertains the possibility of on-street parking.

The actual design is yet to come of course! Please contact us as soon as possible regarding the first steps of traffic speed measurement via an appropriate device.

By copy of this letter to the City Clerk, we ask that this request be given immediate attention and placed on the agenda for the next MFSI meeting, as well as the ad hoc Roadway Safety Committee.

Thank you for your attention,

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