



# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

### December 18, 2019

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Garrett Toy, Town Manager ↙

**SUBJECT:** Discuss/consider status report on the implementation of the Council approved modifications to the Cascade striping project and the formation of a resident subcommittee

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### RECOMMENDATION

Discuss/consider status report.

### BACKGROUND

At its December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Council received a report from staff and Parisi Transportation, the traffic engineer, regarding the traffic calming purpose of the Cascade striping project, the comments received from the neighborhood meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup>, and options to consider. After receiving numerous public comments and discussing the options, the Council directed staff as follows:

- Add temporary “changed conditions” signs in both directions of traffic.
- Install curve warning signs at appropriate locations with advisory speeds (15-20 mph).
- Install no parking signs and/or red curbs in the “two-way” traffic area.
- Remove the “25” pavement marking and signs that may be unnecessary (e.g., SLOW CHILDREN PLAYING sign).
- Monitor the project including travel speeds and any traffic incidents.
- Evaluate sightlines in the area around Doc Edgar Park impacted by parked cars and add red curb markings as needed.
- *Form a resident subcommittee, to be facilitated by Mayor Goddard, to provide suggestions to the Council for consideration.*

At this time, the Council decided not to add a dashed yellow centerline striping through the curves, as suggested by the traffic engineer, and to monitor the situation. The traffic engineer also indicated that the white fog line cannot be dashed per traffic code. The Council also did not direct staff to move the white solid line on the shoulder to one side of the road.

### DISCUSSION

The temporary “changed conditions” signs are in place and red curbs have been painted in the “two-way” traffic portion of the road. Staff also trimmed back shrubs around the signs. We will continue to monitor parking in the area to determine if no parking signage or additional red curb markings are required. With regard to project monitoring, the traffic engineer is conducting a speed survey in the area.

Based on the Council's direction, the traffic engineer is preparing a revised plan to reflect the above elements. Upon receipt of the revised plans, staff and/or a contractor will implement the Council approved modifications.

With regard to the formation of the subcommittee, we have scheduled a meeting on Saturday, December 21st, at 10:00am in the Women's Club for residents to attend if they are interested in participating on the subcommittee. The focus of the meeting is for attendees to self-select representatives who will participate on the ad-hoc subcommittee.

Mayor Goddard will discuss the role of the subcommittee at this Council meeting. One role of the subcommittee would be to discuss any proposed modifications to the striping project, including the removal and restoration of the original striping. For example, the traffic engineer is recommending that the fog line should be narrowed by one foot in selected areas around the curve. The subcommittee could review the traffic engineer's proposal and make a recommendation to the Council.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

At the December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, the traffic engineer stated design costs are covered through the Safe Routes to School program and will continue to be covered under that program. However, approximately \$2,025 in Parisi Transportation design costs were not covered by the program for various reasons. This covers the period from 2016 thru year to date.