

## TOWN OF FAIRFAX SUPPLEMENTAL STAFF REPORT February 17, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Garrett Toy, Town Manager

**SUBJECT:** Consider the questionnaire results for the Cascade Drive striping project and

updated traffic speed survey and provide direction to staff regarding the

disposition of the project

## RECOMMENDATION

Consider the questionnaire results for the Cascade Drive striping project and updated traffic survey and provide direction to staff regarding the disposition of the project.

## **DISCUSSION**

This staff report updates the on-line questionnaire (Final) which closed Tuesday morning (2/16). The initial staff report reflected the preliminary results as of 3:44 pm on Friday, 2/12 (Friday report). The recommendations and other information contained in the initial staff report have not changed.

For the final report, a total of 105 responses were received, of which 61 were registered responses. Of the 61 registered responses, only 4 were not Fairfax residents. There were 44 unregistered respondents. Registered responses allow us to determine if respondents live in Town and ensures registrants do not vote more than once. There is no way to ascertain to what extent unregistered respondents are Fairfax residents or not.

The Friday report had a total of 76 responses of which 49 were registered respondents and 27 were unregistered.

To simplify the analysis, we focused solely on the combined responses. For comparison purposes, we included the Friday Report results along with Final Report results under each question. With the 29 added responses, there were some changes in the percentage totals of specific responses. It appears the majority of the new respondents selected responses which indicate they do not like the project and/or want the striping restored to its original condition. However, it depends on your perspective as to whether the percentage changes are significant.

## **QUESTIONS 1, 2 & 3**

Questions 1, 2 & 3 focused on where respondents lived.

#### Friday Report

Of the 76 responses, 49 (64.5%) said they lived in the Cascade neighborhood and, of those 36 lived on Cascade Drive, of which 9 lived in the curved restriped section, 5 lived to the east, and 23 lived west of the section.

## Final Report

Of the 105 responses, 71 (67.6%) said they lived in the Cascade neighborhood and, of those 42 lived on Cascade Drive, of which 10 lived in the curved restriped section, 6 lived to the east, and 31 lived west of the section.

## **QUESTION #4**

Question 4 asked respondents if they felt safer or less safe driving on Cascade than before the added dashed yellow center line.

## Friday Report

Approximately 36.8% (28) of the respondents said they felt less safe. Approximately 35.5% (27) said they felt safer and 17.1% (13) said they felt about the same.

## **Final Report**

Approximately 39% (41) of the respondents said they felt less safe. Approximately 35.5% (37) said they felt safer and 15.2% (16) said they felt about the same.

## **QUESTION #5**

Question 5 asked respondents if they felt safer or less safe walking and/or bicycling on Cascade than before the added dashed yellow center line.

## Friday Report

Approximately 35.5% (27) of the responses said they felt less safe. Approximately 15% (15) said they felt safer and 30.3% (23) said it felt about the same.

## Final Report

Approximately 39% (41) of the responses said they felt less safe. Approximately 18.1% (19) said they felt safer and 26.7% (28) said it felt about the same.

#### **QUESTION #6**

Question 6 asked respondents why they felt less safe (respondents could select more than one reason).

## Friday Report

Approximately 63.5% (33) respondents selected "The lanes are too narrow for oversized vehicles which cross over the added dashed yellow center line and is more confusing for oncoming traffic." Approximately 67.3% (35) selected "Cars park or still park in the white line areas where they did not park before." Approximately 46.2% (24) selected "It is unclear whether I can move over into the white fog line area." Approximately 34.6% (18) selected "Vehicles aren't slowing down" or "other."

## Final Report

Approximately 68.9% (51) respondents selected "The lanes are too narrow for oversized vehicles which cross over the added dashed yellow center line and is more confusing for oncoming traffic." Approximately 59.5% (44) selected "Cars park or still park in the white line areas where they did not park before." Approximately 45.9% (34) selected "It is unclear whether I can move over into the white fog line area." Approximately 33.8% (25) selected "Vehicles aren't slowing down" or "other."

#### **QUESTION #7**

Question 7 asked respondents if they would support keeping the dashed yellow center line if the Town made additional modifications.

## Friday Report

Approximately 39.5% (30) selected "yes". Approximately 26.3% (20) said "no." Approximately 34.2% (26) selected "don't know/depends on the modifications."

## Final Report

Approximately 36.2% (38) selected "yes". Approximately 27.6% (29) said "no." Approximately 36.2% (38) selected "don't know/depends on the modifications."

## **QUESTION #8**

Question 8 asked respondents their preferences "if the recent (January 2021) traffic survey indicated traffic speeds remained the same with the added dashed yellow line as with the initial "two-way" traffic calming section."

## Friday Report

Approximately, 57.9% (44) said "Restore the original striping with double yellow center line." The other preferences of keeping the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line or with modifications or restoring the previous two-way traffic section received a combined total of 36.8% (28).

## Final Report

Approximately, 57.1% (60) said "Restore the original striping with double yellow center line." The other preferences of keeping the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line or with modifications or restoring the previous two-way traffic section received a combined total of 37.1% (39).

## **QUESTION #9**

Question 9 asked respondents for their overall impression of the added dashed yellow center line.

## Friday Report

Approximately 47.4% (36) strongly disliked or disliked. Approximately 34.2% (26) selected strongly liked or liked. Approximately 18.4% (14) were neutral.

## Final Report

Approximately 49.5% (52) strongly disliked or disliked. Approximately 29.5% (31) selected strongly liked or liked. Approximately 21% (22) were neutral.

## **QUESTION #10**

Question 10 asked "Do you believe traffic calming measures are needed or still warranted in the curved section of Cascade?

## Friday Report

Approximately 38.2% (29) said "yes." Approximately 46.1% (35) said "no." Twelve (15.8%) respondents selected "don't know/unsure."

## **Final Report**

Approximately 41.9% (44) said "yes." Approximately 44.8% (47) said "no." Fourteen (13.3%) respondents selected "don't know/unsure."

## **QUESTION #11**

Question 11 asked for respondents who selected "no" to question #10 to select a reason why.

## Friday Report

Approximately, 26.1% (12) indicated that "Vehicles will drive the same speed regardless of any traffic calming measures." Approximately 28.3% (13) selected "Pedestrians and cyclist were safer or as safe before any restriping project." "Other" received 19 responses.

## Final Report

Approximately, 25.8% (16) indicated that "Vehicles will drive the same speed regardless of any traffic calming measures." Approximately 33.9% (21) selected "Pedestrians and cyclist were safer or as safe before any restriping project." "Other" received 22 responses.

#### **QUESTION #12**

Question 12 asked for preferences regarding the project.

## Friday Report

Approximately 53.9% (41) selected the option to "eliminate the striping and restore to the previous condition". Approximately, 40.8% (31) combined said to "keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line, keep current striping with modifications, or restore the "two-way" traffic section.

## Final Report

Approximately 52.4% (55) selected the option to "eliminate the striping and restore to the previous condition". Approximately, 41.9% (44) combined said to "keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line, keep current striping with modifications, or restore the "two-way" traffic section.

Please remember that the on-line questionnaires are not intended to be scientific surveys, but rather a tool for the Council to gather public input on issues and to consider such input in their decision-making process.

## FISCAL IMPACT

n/a

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Summary of questionnaire
- B. Summary of questionnaire- registered responses (for reference)
- C. Summary of questionnaire- unregistered responses (for reference)
- D. Individual registered responses (61) available online at <a href="https://www.townoffairfax.org/community-forum/">https://www.townoffairfax.org/community-forum/</a>



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ATTACHMENT A

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## **Summary Of Responses**

As of February 16, 2021, 6:54 PM, this forum had:	Topic Start	Topic End
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Attendees: 150 February 1, 2021, 3:47 PM February 16, 2021, 2:27 PM

Responses: 105 Hours of Public Comment: 5.3

QUESTION 1

## Do you live on Cascade Drive?

	%	Count
Yes	40.0%	42
No	56.2%	59
Decline to answer	3.8%	4

QUESTION 2

# If Yes, where on Cascade Drive do you live in relation to the curved restriped section with the dashed yellow center line?

	%	Count
East of the section	8.5%	6
West of the section	43.7%	31
In the curved restriped section	14.1%	10
Decline to answer	33.8%	24

QUESTION 3

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## Do you live in the Cascade Drive neighborhood (e.g., Laurel, Meadow Way, Canyon Road)?

	%	Count
Yes	67.6%	71
No	28.6%	30
Decline to answer	3.8%	4

## **QUESTION 4**

When you drive on Cascade in the restriped section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	%	Count
Less safe than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	39.0%	41
Safer than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	35.2%	37
About the same	15.2%	16
Don't know / Unsure / NA	10.5%	11

#### QUESTION 5

When you walk and/or ride a bicycle on Cascade Drive in the section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	%	Count
Less safe than before the added dashed yellow center line	39.0%	41
Safer than before the added dashed yellow center line	18.1%	19
About the same	26.7%	28
Don't know / Unsure / NA	16.2%	17

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

#### QUESTION 6

## If you answered less safe, please select reasons why:

	%	Count
The lanes are too narrow for oversized vehicles which cross over the added dashed yellow center line and is more confusing for on-coming traffic	68.9%	51
Cars park or still park in the white line areas where they did not park before	59.5%	44
It is unclear whether I can move over into the white fog line area	45.9%	34
Vehicles are not slowing down	33.8%	25
Don't know / Unsure	8.1%	6
Other	33.8%	25

#### QUESTION 7

If the Town made more modifications to the area, such as more signage for no parking in the pavement areas, narrow lanes ahead signs, and/or other improvements, would you support keeping the added dashed yellow center line in place?

	%	Count
Yes	36.2%	38
No	27.6%	29
Don't know / Depends on the modifications	36.2%	38

#### QUESTION 8

The recent (January 2021) traffic survey indicated traffic speeds remained the same with the added dashed yellow line as with the initial "two-way" traffic calming section. Knowing this, my preference is (select one):

%	Count
10.5%	11
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What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

	%	Count
Keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line with minor modifications to be determined	13.3%	14
Restore the previous two-way traffic calming section without a dashed yellow center line	13.3%	14
Restore the original striping pattern with no white fog lines and the original double yellow center line	57.1%	60
Don't know / Neutral	5.7%	6

## QUESTION 9

## What is your overall impression of the added dashed yellow center line (select one)?

	%	Count
Strongly dislike	32.4%	34
Dislike	17.1%	18
Neutral	21.0%	22
Like	20.0%	21
Strongly like	9.5%	10

## **QUESTION 10**

## Are traffic calming measures needed or still warranted in the curved section of Cascade?

	90	Count
Yes	41.9%	44
No	44.8%	47
Don't know / Unsure	13.3%	14

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What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## **QUESTION 11**

## If you answered No to the previous question, why not (please select one)?

Vehicles will drive the same speed regardless of any traffic calming measures.	25.8%	16
Some traffic calming measures needed but not what the Town implemented.	4.8%	3
Pedestrians and cyclist were safer or as safe before any restriping project.	33.9%	21
Other	35.5%	22

## QUESTION 12

## My preference is that the Town (select one):

	%	Count
Eliminate the restriping and restore the original striping configuration with a double yellow center line and no fog lines.	52.4%	55
Keep the current striping plan with the dashed yellow center line with modifications to be determined.	19.0%	20
Keep the current striping configuration with the dashed yellow center line.	8.6%	9
Restore the "two-way" traffic section with no added dashed yellow center line.	14.3%	15
Don't Know / Neutral	6.7%	7

## **QUESTION 13**

## **Additional comments:**

Answered	67
Skipped	38

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Count



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What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## **Summary Of Registered Responses**

As of February 16, 2021, 6:56 PM, this forum had:	Topic Start	Topic End
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Attendees: 150 February 1, 2021, 3:47 PM February 16, 2021, 2:27 PM

Registered Responses: 61
Hours of Public Comment: 5.3

QUESTION 1

## Do you live on Cascade Drive?

	%	Count
Yes	45.9%	28
No	49.2%	30
Decline to answer	4.9%	3

QUESTION 2

# If Yes, where on Cascade Drive do you live in relation to the curved restriped section with the dashed yellow center line?

	%	Count
East of the section	7.1%	3
West of the section	42.9%	18
In the curved restriped section	16.7%	7
Decline to answer	33.3%	14

QUESTION 3

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## Do you live in the Cascade Drive neighborhood (e.g., Laurel, Meadow Way, Canyon Road)?

	%	Count
Yes	70.5%	43
No	24.6%	15
Decline to answer	4.9%	3

## **QUESTION 4**

When you drive on Cascade in the restriped section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	%	Count
Less safe than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	36.1%	22
Safer than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	37.7%	23
About the same	16.4%	10
Don't know / Unsure / NA	9.8%	6

#### OUESTION

When you walk and/or ride a bicycle on Cascade Drive in the section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	9	6 Count
Less safe than before the added dashed yellow center line	36.19	% 22
Safer than before the added dashed yellow center line	19.79	% 12
About the same	27.99	<b>6</b> 17
Don't know / Unsure / NA	16.49	% 10

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

#### QUESTION 6

## If you answered less safe, please select reasons why:

	%	Count
The lanes are too narrow for oversized vehicles which cross over the added dashed yellow center line and is more confusing for on-coming traffic	65.1%	28
Cars park or still park in the white line areas where they did not park before	67.4%	29
It is unclear whether I can move over into the white fog line area	41.9%	18
Vehicles are not slowing down	37.2%	16
Don't know / Unsure	7.0%	3
Other	37.2%	16

#### QUESTION 7

If the Town made more modifications to the area, such as more signage for no parking in the pavement areas, narrow lanes ahead signs, and/or other improvements, would you support keeping the added dashed yellow center line in place?

	%	Count
Yes	44.3%	27
No	27.9%	17
Don't know / Depends on the modifications	27.9%	17

#### QUESTION 8

The recent (January 2021) traffic survey indicated traffic speeds remained the same with the added dashed yellow line as with the initial "two-way" traffic calming section. Knowing this, my preference is (select one):

%	Count
13.1%	8

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

	%	Count
Keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line with minor modifications to be determined	16.4%	10
Restore the previous two-way traffic calming section without a dashed yellow center line	9.8%	6
Restore the original striping pattern with no white fog lines and the original double yellow center line	52.5%	32
Don't know / Neutral	8.2%	5

## QUESTION 9

## What is your overall impression of the added dashed yellow center line (select one)?

	%	Count
Strongly dislike	27.9%	17
Dislike	14.8%	9
Neutral	21.3%	13
Like	21.3%	13
Strongly like	14.8%	9

## **QUESTION 10**

## Are traffic calming measures needed or still warranted in the curved section of Cascade?

	90	Count
Yes	37.7%	23
No	45.9%	28
Don't know / Unsure	16.4%	10

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What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

#### **QUESTION 11**

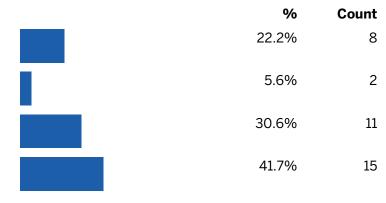
## If you answered No to the previous question, why not (please select one)?

Vehicles will drive the same speed regardless of any traffic calming measures.

Some traffic calming measures needed but not what the Town implemented.

Pedestrians and cyclist were safer or as safe before any restriping project.

Other



#### **QUESTION 12**

## My preference is that the Town (select one):

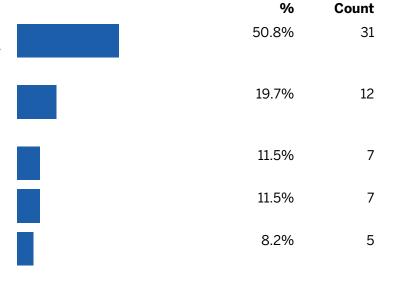
Eliminate the restriping and restore the original striping configuration with a double yellow center line and no fog lines.

Keep the current striping plan with the dashed yellow center line with modifications to be determined.

Keep the current striping configuration with the dashed yellow center line.

Restore the "two-way" traffic section with no added dashed yellow center line.

Don't Know / Neutral



#### **QUESTION 13**

## **Additional comments:**

Answered 40

Skipped 21



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What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

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Attendees: 150 February 1, 2021, 3:47 PM February 16, 2021, 2:27 PM

Unregistered Responses: 44
Hours of Public Comment: 5.3

QUESTION 1

## Do you live on Cascade Drive?

	%	Count
Yes	31.8%	14
No	65.9%	29
Decline to answer	2.3%	1

QUESTION 2

# If Yes, where on Cascade Drive do you live in relation to the curved restriped section with the dashed yellow center line?

	%	Count
East of the section	10.3%	3
West of the section	44.8%	13
In the curved restriped section	10.3%	3
Decline to answer	34.5%	10

QUESTION 3

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

## Do you live in the Cascade Drive neighborhood (e.g., Laurel, Meadow Way, Canyon Road)?

	%	Count
Yes	63.6%	28
No	34.1%	15
Decline to answer	2.3%	1

## QUESTION 4

When you drive on Cascade in the restriped section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	9/	Count
Less safe than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	43.2%	i 19
Safer than before the restriping with the added dashed yellow center line	31.8%	b 14
About the same	13.6%	6
Don't know / Unsure / NA	11.4%	5

#### QUESTION 5

When you walk and/or ride a bicycle on Cascade Drive in the section with the added dashed yellow center line, do you feel (select one):

	%	Count
Less safe than before the added dashed yellow center line	43.2%	19
Safer than before the added dashed yellow center line	15.9%	7
About the same	25.0%	11
Don't know / Unsure / NA	15.9%	7

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

#### QUESTION 6

## If you answered less safe, please select reasons why:

	%	Count
The lanes are too narrow for oversized vehicles which cross over the added dashed yellow center line and is more confusing for on-coming traffic	74.2%	23
Cars park or still park in the white line areas where they did not park before	48.4%	15
It is unclear whether I can move over into the white fog line area	51.6%	16
Vehicles are not slowing down	29.0%	9
Don't know / Unsure	9.7%	3
Other	29.0%	9

#### QUESTION 7

If the Town made more modifications to the area, such as more signage for no parking in the pavement areas, narrow lanes ahead signs, and/or other improvements, would you support keeping the added dashed yellow center line in place?

	%	Count
Yes	25.0%	11
No	27.3%	12
Don't know / Depends on the modifications	47.7%	21

#### QUESTION 8

The recent (January 2021) traffic survey indicated traffic speeds remained the same with the added dashed yellow line as with the initial "two-way" traffic calming section. Knowing this, my preference is (select one):

	%	Count
Keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line	6.8%	3

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

	%	Count
Keep the current striping with the added dashed yellow center line with minor modifications to be determined	9.1%	4
Restore the previous two-way traffic calming section without a dashed yellow center line	18.2%	8
Restore the original striping pattern with no white fog lines and the original double yellow center line	63.6%	28
Don't know / Neutral	2.3%	1

## QUESTION 9

## What is your overall impression of the added dashed yellow center line (select one)?

	%	Count
Strongly dislike	38.6%	17
Dislike	20.5%	9
Neutral	20.5%	9
Like	18.2%	8
Strongly like	2.3%	1

## **QUESTION 10**

## Are traffic calming measures needed or still warranted in the curved section of Cascade?

	%	Count
Yes	47.7%	21
No	43.2%	19
Don't know / Unsure	9.1%	4

What do you think about the dashed yellow center line ("restriping") added on Cascade Drive in December 2020?

#### **QUESTION 11**

## If you answered No to the previous question, why not (please select one)?

Vehicles will drive the same speed regardless of	
any traffic calming measures.	
Some traffic calming measures needed but not	

what the Town implemented.

Pedestrians and cyclist were safer or as safe before any restriping project.

Other

%	Count
30.8%	8
3.8%	1
38.5%	10
26.9%	7

#### **QUESTION 12**

## My preference is that the Town (select one):

Eliminate the restriping and restore the original striping configuration with a double yellow center line and no fog lines.

Keep the current striping plan with the dashed yellow center line with modifications to be determined.

Keep the current striping configuration with the dashed yellow center line.

Restore the "two-way" traffic section with no added dashed yellow center line.

Don't Know / Neutral

	%	Count
	54.5%	24
	18.2%	8
ı	4.5%	2
	18.2%	8
	4.5%	2

#### **QUESTION 13**

## Additional comments:

Answered 27

Skipped 17