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Transportation Advisory Board

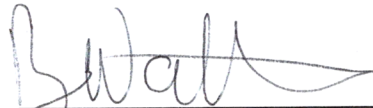
301 West Main Street, Carrboro, North Carolina 27510

THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH, 2017

Transportation Advisory Board Comments re: Traffic Calming on Tallyho Trail

The Transportation Advisory Board discussed the proposed Stage 2 traffic calming measures for Tallyho Trail at the March 16th, 2017 meeting. After discussing the proposed devices, survey responses, and hearing feedback from the neighbors in attendance (see following page), the TAB offers the following:

- 1) The Transportation Advisory Board recommends that the Board of Aldermen approve the plan, but allow for adjustments by the Engineer based on comments from the neighbors and feasibility of the comments.
- 2) For budgetary reasons, the final plan should include a total of five traffic calming devices, which can be any combination and location of speed tables and mini traffic circles that makes the most sense based on neighbor feedback and feasibility.


For
Colleen Barclay
Transportation Advisory Board Chair

3/17/17
Date

Comments from Tallyho Trail Residents

In attendance at TAB meeting on 3/16/2017: Alan Pollock, Charlie Buckner, Peter Cada, Garrett Baker, Laura Wenzel, Michelle Wells, Alexandra Holod

- Mr. Pollock is opposed to the traffic circles – he believes that the proposed plan should be simplified and that the speed tables suffice to slow traffic.
- Mr. Buckner, Mr. Cada and Mr. Baker are concerned about the traffic circle at Tallyho and Reynard because a school bus turns around at that intersection and the traffic circle appears to impede the flow for larger vehicles.
- Ms. Wenzel thinks the traffic circle at Reynard will help slow vehicles down, especially those that cut the corner when turning from Tallyho Trail. She also suggests that the school bus that turns around on Reynard could change its route.
- Mr. Cada suggested moving the traffic circle at Reynard to the intersection of Bugle and Tallyho because the road is straighter there and there are not as many vehicles coming from Bugle.
- Mr. Cada also suggested moving Speed Table 1 closer to Bugle so it is more visible and farther away from the traffic circle (if it stays at Reynard).
- Ms. Holod suggested moving Speed Table 3 closer to Lair Court because the distance between the traffic circle at Huntsman and Speed Table 3 is large. She pointed out that the speeding was worse closer to the front of the neighborhood so the traffic calming devices should be concentrated there.
- Several in attendance suggested moving the traffic circle currently at Reynard to Lair Court.
- There was mixed sentiment among residents about whether the traffic circles should be vegetated (more visible, beautiful) or be fully paved to ensure that larger vehicles can drive over them if necessary.
- The residents, except for Mr. Pollock, are generally pleased with the number and type of devices proposed, but would like to see some locations changed if feasible.
- Staff received an email from a Shane Nye on 3/17/2016 stating that he is in full support of the proposed traffic calming plan as it is.
- Ms. Wenzel would like the pedestrian education signs implemented as soon as possible and was wondering about guidelines for number and location of such signs.
 - Mr. Baker expressed concern over the number of signs and wanted to ensure that the aesthetic of the neighborhood would not be changed with a lot of signs in the right-of-way.
- Mr. Buckner was in support of residents and Town staff trimming vegetation in the right-of-way to ensure maximum sight distances along the roadway.