#### **TRANSPORTATION**

# Preliminary Traffic Calming Design Meeting







### How did we get here?

#### Raleigh

- Someone requests traffic calming
- Staff conducts an evaluation
- Evaluation results in score (40 point minimum to qualify)
- Highest scored streets get first option of a project
- Staff holds introductory meeting to explain process
- Residents of subject street and surrounding neighborhood are balloted
- A successful balloting process moves a street forward to next step



### Ballot Results

Street Name	Street Participation Threshold (min 50%)	Street Support Threshold (min 70%)	Neighborhood Participation Threshold (min 25%)	Neighborhood Support Threshold (min 60%)
Park Drive	73.68%	75%	52.73%	87.41%



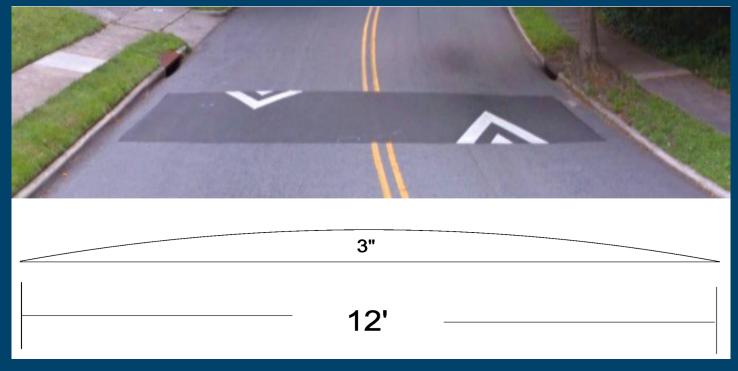
### What do we do tonight?

### Citizen based design

- Staff will provide you options to choose from
  - Pros and cons with each
- You will determine what type of traffic calming treatment best fits with the fabric of your neighborhood
  - Speed Hump vs Speed Table
  - Traffic circle
- You will decide the location and frequency of the treatments
- Staff will work to reach a consensus on a preliminary design



### Option 1 – Speed Humps





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### <u>Pros</u>

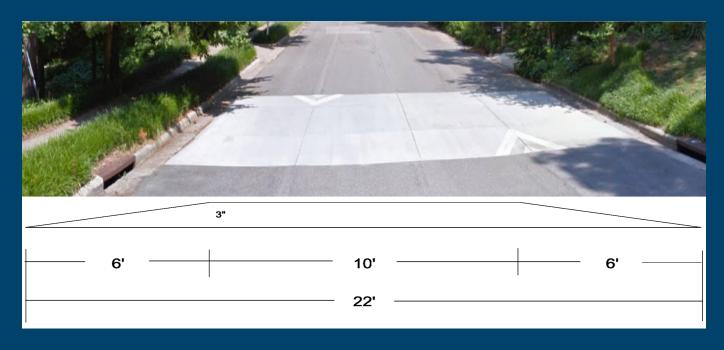
- Can be the most effective
- Less expensive to install
- Faster installation time/Less impact during construction
- More location options based on 12' length

#### <u>Cons</u>

- Does not contrast as much with existing roadway
- Shorter life (higher maintenance needs)
- Not as pleasant to traverse compared speed tables



### Option 2 – Speed Tables





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### <u>Pros</u>

- More visible/contrast
- Less maintenance responsibilities
- A more pleasant driving experience
- Spaced further apart (300'-700' spacing)

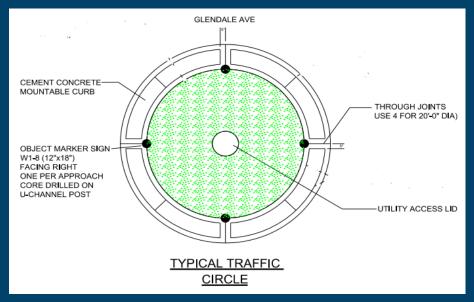
#### <u>Cons</u>

- More expensive to install
- Higher impact to neighborhood during installation/maintenance
- More difficult to place due to 22' length therefore can be less effective



### Option 3 – Traffic Circle







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### **Pros**

- Helps decrease speeds of vehicles as they enter/drive through the intersection
- Helps to reduce collisions and severity of collisions
- Minimal maintenance once installation is complete

#### Cons

- Existing intersections need to meet the minimum width requirements
- May require the removal of on-street parking in the immediate vicinity
- Relatively impactful construction process



### Preliminary Design

- Staff will work with you tonight to develop a preliminary design
- This design will be placed on the City's website
- Staff will mark the locations of the proposed treatments on the street giving a feel of the proposed design
- Staff will send out mailers requesting feedback (via email and phone) on the preliminary design



### Next Steps - Final Design Meeting

 A second / final design meeting will be held. We will discuss comments received from the marked out preliminary design. Any additional comments, changes, and or concerns will be addressed



Staff will poll attendees and reach a design consensus



## Next Steps - Final Design Approval

- Support for the final design will be determined by the balloting process (same as first one)
  - Residing on the street
    - must return a minimum of 50% of the ballots (participation rate) with a minimum of 70% of those in support of the project (approval)



- Residing in the surrounding neighborhood
  - must return a minimum of 25% of the ballots (participation rate) with a minimum of 60% of those in support of the project (approval)



### Last Step - Public Hearing

- City staff will request a public hearing with City Council
  - You will receive invites to meeting (on a Tuesday at 7:00 PM)
  - Streets meeting thresholds will be presented for construction authorization
- Citizens will be given the opportunity to speak in favor or opposition of the design
- City Council will then make a final determination whether or not to authorize construction





### Questions?

