

How Can I Request Traffic Calming Solutions for my Neighborhood Street?

The **Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP)** is a community based process that begins and ends with residents and community members. Participants are involved with the development, evaluation and implementation of traffic solutions in their own neighborhoods.

Neighborhood Traffic Management Projects involve the following basic steps:

1. Written Request

Requests can be initiated by an individual or a neighborhood group. Requests should be made in writing. Some requests may require a neighborhood petition before data collection and analysis can begin.

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2. Data Collection and Analysis

Staff collects data on the street segment in question for speed, traffic volume counts, accidents, and impacts on neighboring streets. The data is evaluated based on a Traffic Management Point System that provides quantitative statistics to rank and prioritize projects.

3. Community Involvement

Community input is critical to the process of identifying solutions for neighborhood traffic issues. In the beginning of the process a community meeting will be held to collect general information about neighborhood concerns. If the request moves forward, there may be follow up meetings to discuss potential solutions. In the end, a consensus among the community will be required in order to implement the NTMP project.

4. Transportation Commission and City Council Action

A public hearing is held by the Transportation Commission to review the findings and recommendations of staff as well as the petition, results of the ballot and hearing testimony when applicable. The Transportation Commission may recommend to the City Council that the NTMP project be “tested” for a period not-to-exceed six (6) months. After the test period is approved by City Council and implemented for the recommended period, the NTMP project is brought back to the Transportation Commission for review. The Transportation Commission will recommend the project be approved or denied for final action from City Council.

5. Project Implementation

After final Transportation Commission and City Council approvals, the projects are placed in the operating budget (for signs, markings, speed trailers etc.) or a Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) budget (engineering solutions with physical street changes). During any single year, depending on project complexity and available funding, a maximum of three (3) of the ranked NTMP projects will move forward for implementation and construction.

6. Final Project

Once the project is installed, staff will continue to monitor it over the next six (6) months to a year. Minor adjustments may be made during this time. However, after one year the project will be finalized and no further changes will be made, unless directed by the City Council. The neighborhood will not be considered for another NTMP project for three (3) years.