

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: APRIL 20, 2010

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: BUDGET MEMO # 79 : TRAFFIC CALMING UNALLOCATED  
BALANCE SPENDING PLAN

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As requested by Councilman Krupicka at the April 5, 2010 Transportation Budget Work Session, below are planned traffic calming projects to be funded in FY 2011 with the existing \$645,000 unallocated balance.

All of the projects listed below are consistent with, and will implement the recommendations in the 2008 Transportation Master Plan and 2008 Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Plan. The projects are similarly consistent with the proposed City Council Strategic goal #3: *A multimodal transportation network that supports sustainable land use and provides internal mobility and regional connectivity for Alexandria* and will specifically implement objective #3: *Ensure safe and accessible travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit and motorists on Complete Streets with design and implementation that is context sensitive.*

City Council will be asked to take action on an allocation request of \$125,000 at the April 27 legislative meeting to fund the following 3 projects:

1. Somerville Pedestrian safety project- raised crosswalk on Sommerville Street in Cameron Station to provide safe pedestrian access to Ben Brenman Park;
2. South Early speed humps- this project is associated with approved development to address traffic impacts on S. Early between Duke Street and Wheeler Avenue; and
3. Russell Road at Cedar Street- project addresses roadway and pedestrian safety at the intersection of Russell Road and Cedar Street.

The remaining unallocated balance of \$520,000 is planned to be allocated in FY 2010 and FY 2011 to fund the following projects:

1. Mid-block Pedestrian Safety: citywide safety improvements Citywide to uncontrolled mid-block pedestrian crossings including King between Janney's Lane and Kings Court at a cost of \$40,000;
2. Bike Facilities: install additional bike lanes citywide implementing recommendations from the bike and pedestrian mobility plan to improve bicycle safety and mobility including on-street bikeways on Morgan, Dawes, Howard, and Taney at a cost of \$120,000;
3. Bike Parking: install bicycle parking facilities citywide at a cost of \$40,000;
4. S. Pickett/Edsall pedestrian and bicycle improvements at a cost of \$140,000; and
5. Speed cushion retrofit on Commonwealth Avenue and Russell Road at a cost of \$180,000.

While these are the planned unbudgeted projects, as the year progresses if unbudgeted transportation planning needs arise (such as the BRAC-133 project transportation planning) then the traffic calming account will be one that will be reviewed as a possible funding source.