

Central Alexandria Traffic Study

Meeting #4 Summary

Meeting Details:

October 4, 2017

Resource Center, Bishop Ireton High School

City Staff in Attendance:

- David Soares, P.E., Transportation Engineer, T&ES
- Yon Lambert, AICP, Director, T&ES
- Matt Melkerson, P.E., Acting Deputy Director, Transportation/Transit, T&ES

Task Force Members in Attendance:

- Lisa Montague - CCP
- Peter Turner – CCP
- Jeanne O’Leary – Seminary Hill
- Jim Durham – Seminary Hill
- Jamie Pfister – Seminary Ridge
- Ted Monson – Seminary Ridge
- Dana Linnet – Taylor Run
- Michelle Reday Cook – Taylor Run

Presentation:

Representatives from Toole Design Group presented on the initial results of the data collection performed as part of this study. A link to view the full presentation can be found on the Study website. City staff and the representatives from Toole answered questions about the presentation, and then City staff gave an update on next steps and how study area residents could submit their feedback on the presentation.

Key Takeaways from the Data Collection:

- Summary of data collection
 - o Intersection counts at 29 locations
 - o Vehicle speed and volume recorded at 23 locations

- Origin-Destination information collected with Bluetooth devices at 21 locations
- Arterial roads in the Study area are serving their function and carrying most of the traffic
- Some neighborhood streets have cut-through traffic
- More traffic is diverting through neighborhood streets in the southbound direction
- Congestion during peak periods is contributing to cut-through traffic, as is the backup getting onto Telegraph Road in the afternoon peak hours
- Existing traffic calming measures are keeping speeds down in some areas
- This study cannot solve regional traffic congestion

Group Discussion:

- Request for east-west streets to be added to “Additional Details” section of presentation
- Can we determine the recorded travel times between Bluetooth devices?
- Minor corrections needed on Traffic Calming map
- Provide ADT volumes by direction
- Request for examples/documentation from other cities who have addressed cut-through issues
- Request for written synopsis of presentation

Next Steps:

- Approximately 30-45 day review/comment period
- Task Force members and study area residents can submit feedback/questions directly to City staff
- City will work on requested additional information and updates to presentation
- Next Task Force meeting will be to review comments received and then identify and prioritize critical locations and issues, discuss mitigation options to address those locations and issues