



Central Alexandria Traffic Study

**January 24, 2018
Bishop Ireton School**



Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Wrap Up Data Collection Discussion
3. Review Purpose of Task Force/Study
4. Discussion of Community Comments
5. Identify Task Force Principles/Values
6. Public Comment
7. Next Steps



Ground Rules

- Everyone's opinions are important and valid
- Meetings will begin and end on time
- Please follow the agenda
- Be respectful and courteous
- Purpose of the meeting is for Task Force discussion
- Time is reserved for public comment toward the end
- Please silence cell phones and other mobile devices



Purpose of Traffic Study

- Respond to neighborhood concerns about traffic
- Measure and better understand origins/destinations of traffic, traffic volumes on neighborhood streets
- Test neighborhood improvements with future traffic conditions and programmed capital improvements to relieve traffic pressure in neighborhoods

Wrap-Up: Data Collection

- Address any remaining questions or concerns regarding O-D Data Presentation
- Obtain Task Force agreement that data is accurate baseline on which to base our mitigation decisions



Community & Task Force Comments

- Comments compiled and sent to Group
- Themes Identified
 - Safety
 - Access/Congestion
 - Cut-Through Volume/Traffic Diversion
- Are these the right themes? Are we missing any major comments?

Community & Task Force Comments

- Difficult to balance tradeoffs
 - What objectives do we prioritize?
 - Which tradeoffs can we accept to achieve an objective?
- What are our overriding principles/values?
 - Establish a basis for how we prioritize mitigation “themes” and which tradeoffs we can accept.

Balancing Tradeoffs

- Pros and Cons of common requests:
 - Signal Timing Changes:
 - Pro: Improve intersection operations and throughput
 - Con: Increased capacity will lead to increased traffic volumes
 - Turn Restrictions:
 - Pro: Reduce cut through traffic on target street
 - Con: Increase traffic on nearby streets
 - All-Way Stops:
 - Pro: Improve access to/from side street
 - Con: Can lead to additional cut-through traffic on side street



Prioritization Factors

How do we prioritize these “themes” and objectives?

- **Safety:** Ensure safety of all road users.
- **Access:** Reduce congestion & ensure mobility through/within study area
- **Cut-Through:** Reduce traffic volumes on Study area roadways and discourage diversion onto neighborhood streets

Next Steps

- Final Task Force meeting - February 22
- Staff will sort and respond to comments based on Principles/Values determined by Task Force
- **DELIVERABLES**
 - Long Term: Task Force Policy Recommendations to City Council
 - ie: Regional transit, Corridor B, Safety, etc.
 - Mid-Term: Larger scale safety or intersection design project recommendations

Next Steps

- **DELIVERABLES**

- Short-Term: Traffic operations and safety improvements for near term implementation

TOOL BOX (examples):

- Turn restrictions, crosswalks, minor intersection design, speed cushions, markings, signage, signal timing

OFF THE TABLE (examples):

- Resident only access
- Reduced speed limits without traffic calming