

Seminary Road

Complete Streets Project

Phase 1 Community Outreach and Comment Summary



Introduction

- Seminary Road was identified in the [Pedestrian and Bicycle Chapter of the Transportation Master Plan](#) for potential improvements.
- Data analysis conducted through the [Vision Zero Action Plan](#) also showed that Seminary Road was a corridor with a high number of KSI (killed or seriously injured) crashes.
- Since the reduction of the speed limit from 35 to 25 mph in 2016, data have shown that safety has improved slightly, but speeds have remained the same.

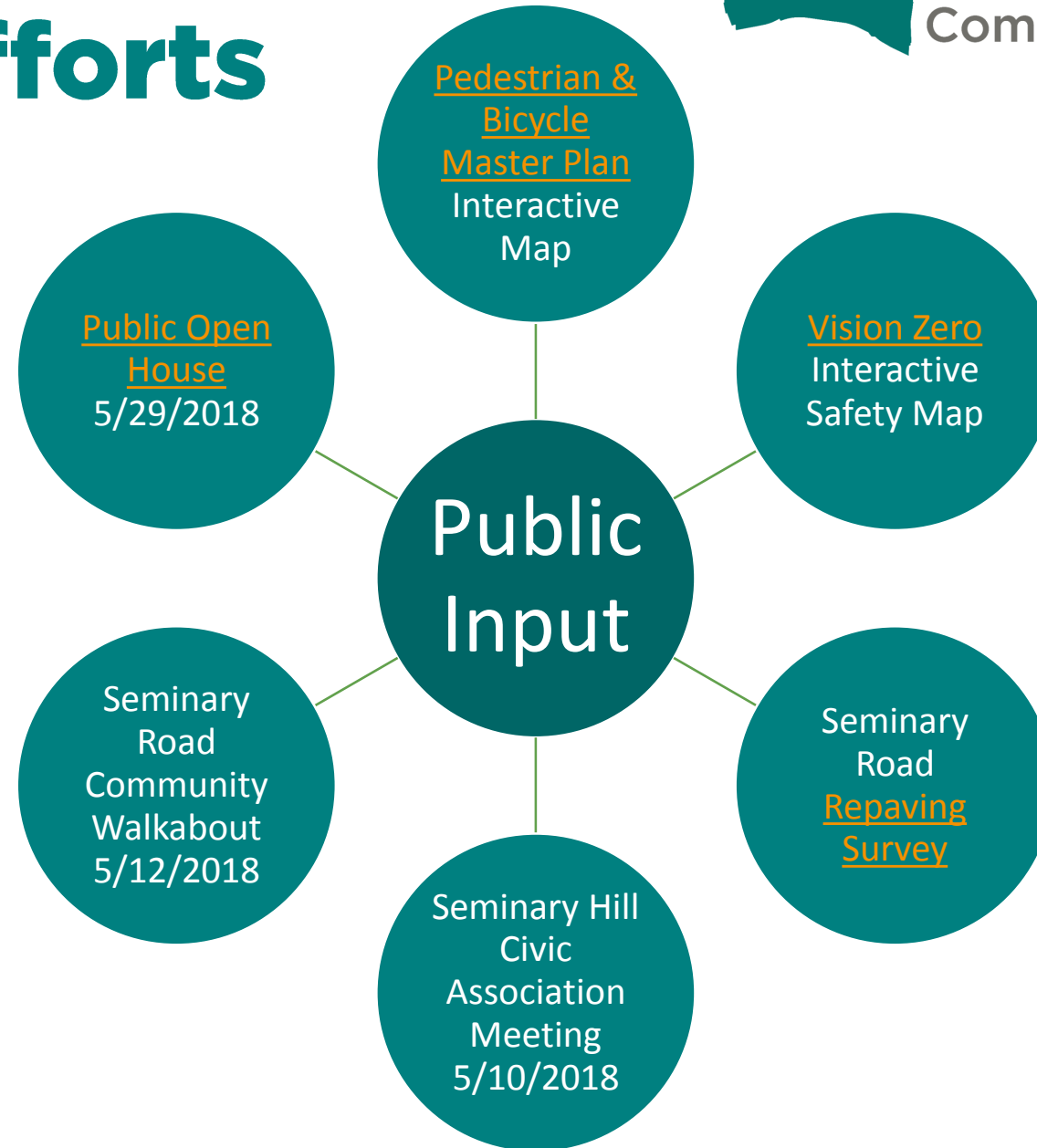
Project Process

- The project will have a roughly six-month process.



Outreach Efforts

Community input was collected through a variety of methods, including in-person meetings and an online survey.



Key Takeaways

- The following comments were recurring throughout all comment forums:
 - Access to Seminary Road through turns onto the road and backing out of driveways is difficult for residents
 - Speeding was noted as a problem for the entire corridor; people do not adhere to the posted limit
 - Sidewalks were noted for a need to be wider, continuous, with more of a buffer between vehicles and people walking
 - There are long distances between safe pedestrian crossings along the corridor
 - Seminary Road's width makes it difficult for pedestrians to cross



Key Takeaways, continued

- The following comments were recurring throughout all comment forums (continued):
 - People were both against and for bicycle facilities. Those for bike facilities liked protected bike lanes or at least those with a buffer. Those against thought it would make traffic worse or present a hazard for drivers.
 - There were opposing viewpoints for the future of the roadway. Some want to maintain the roadway's function as a major thoroughfare for the city, while others want it serve as a safe connection to local destinations.
- For more details on this process, see the entire public input summary [here](#).

Next Steps

Staff is working with a consultant to develop design concepts based on community comments, goals from other guiding plans, and the City's [Complete Streets Guidelines](#).

An opportunity to review these design concepts and discuss with staff will be available this summer, accompanied by an online survey for those who cannot attend the open house.

For more information, stay tuned to [the project website](#), sign up for [E-news](#), or contact T&ES Project Manager, Darren Buck with questions: Darren.Buck@alexandriava.gov