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Project overview

In 2015, a community traffic issue identified by the Erin Woods Community Association was selected for a traffic calming project. The City collected data on pedestrian safety and vehicle speeds in the community. Based on the number of locations identified with traffic speed or safety concerns, Erin Woods was selected to pilot new traffic calming curbs throughout the community.

City staff worked with the Erin Woods Community Association and a small group of residents to develop a draft traffic calming plan. The traffic calming plan is designed to improve pedestrian safety and reduce vehicle speeds.

Engagement overview

As part of the Erin Woods Traffic Calming Pilot project, The City hosted a public open house and an online survey and mapping tool to gather feedback from area residents. This report reflects feedback received at the open house and online.

The open house was held at the Erin Woods Community Association Hall on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 from 5-8 p.m. Eighty four people attended and 29 comment forms were received. Feedback collected at the open house was transcribed.

The online survey and mapping tool were available on The City's online engagement web page from June 20 to July 4, 2016. Three hundred and seventy two unique visitors accessed the online survey and mapping tool.

What we asked

Participants who attended the open house and accessed the online survey and mapping tool were asked to provide input and feedback on:

- Whether the locations identified as traffic problem areas are the most important ;
- If there are traffic problem areas that were missed;
- What do people think about the appearance of the traffic calming curbs that will be used;
- How safe they feel as a person walking or driving through the community; and
- What awareness messages are a good fit for the community.

At the open house they provided feedback by:



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- Filling out comment sheets;
- Leaving post-it notes with comments and concerns on the traffic calming plan map; and
- Writing comments and concerns on post-it notes and placing them on the display boards.

Those who accessed the online survey and mapping tool provided feedback by:

- Pinning their comments on a map of the study area;
- Filling out survey questions;
- Ranking various aspects of the project; and
- Answering open ended questions.

What we heard

All of the feedback collected was organized into the following themes: speed enforcement; traffic calming suggestions; speeding in playground zones; pedestrian safety; other locations for consideration; and improved signage.

- For a detailed summary of the feedback that was provided, please see the [Summary of Input](#) section.
- For a verbatim listing of all the feedback that was provided, please see the [Verbatim Comments](#) section.

Summary of input

Below is a summary of the feedback received to help improve the design and some areas of concern identified by participants.

When asked whether participants agreed with the locations that were identified as needing traffic calming, all ten locations that were identified received support from participants. Some additional locations were identified by participants as needing traffic calming.

There were concerns raised about whether people walking, cycling and driving are currently complying with existing speed limits, road signs and traffic laws. Participants have indicated that they would like to have increased traffic enforcement and education activities within their community.

Participants have indicated that they feel either very unsafe or unsafe when walking in the community of Erin Woods. Participants are almost evenly split on whether they feel safe or unsafe when driving in the community of Erin Woods.



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When asked about messaging for an education and awareness campaign in the community participants indicated that there is support for all three of the proposed messages to be used.

When asked, a majority of participants indicated that the appearance of the traffic calming curbs is not important to them. Below are the themes that we heard regarding the traffic calming curbs.

Online:

- Overall appearance
- Colour
- Safety
- Some confusion about purpose, how they'll work

At the Open House:

- Overall appearance
- Effectiveness
- Impact to traffic flow

Next steps

- The feedback collected from the open house and online survey and mapping tool will be used to adjust the traffic calming plan. All feedback will be shared with the Calgary Police Services Community Resource Officer for Erin Woods.
- Construction is anticipated to begin late summer 2016. Advance notice of construction will take place when possible.
- Community feedback will be gathered halfway through the pilot. This will take place in the summer of 2017.
- Community feedback will be gathered at the end of the pilot. This will take place in the summer of 2018.
- The future of the pilot project will be determined in the fall of 2018, using feedback gathered throughout the pilot.

Verbatim comments

Verbatim comments include all written input that was received at the open house and online.

NB: The verbatim comments have not been edited for spelling, grammar or punctuation. Language deemed offensive or personally identifying information has been removed and replaced with either (offensive language removed) or (personal identifier removed).

Participants were asked to provide responses on the questions listed below. A majority of the questions asked online were the same questions that were asked at the open house.



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On the map of the Erin Woods community, some of the major intersections and traffic problem areas have been identified using numbers. Tell us which areas you feel are the most important to install traffic calming by selecting those numbers.

NB: Where the word "all" was written by the respondent, one mark was given to each of the ten areas.

Area	Online Count	Open House Count	Total
1	35	20	55
2	48	24	72
3	39	19	58
4	22	13	35
5	31	20	51
6	20	14	34
7	17	19	36
8	23	14	37
9	22	15	37
10	26	14	40

Which areas do you feel don't need traffic calming?

Area	Online Count	Open House Count	Total
1	19	1	20
2	12	1	13
3	19	3	22
4	25	2	27
5	16	1	17
6	21	3	24
7	23	0	23
8	18	4	22
9	19	2	21
10	23	2	25

Are there other areas that need traffic calming that aren't on the map?

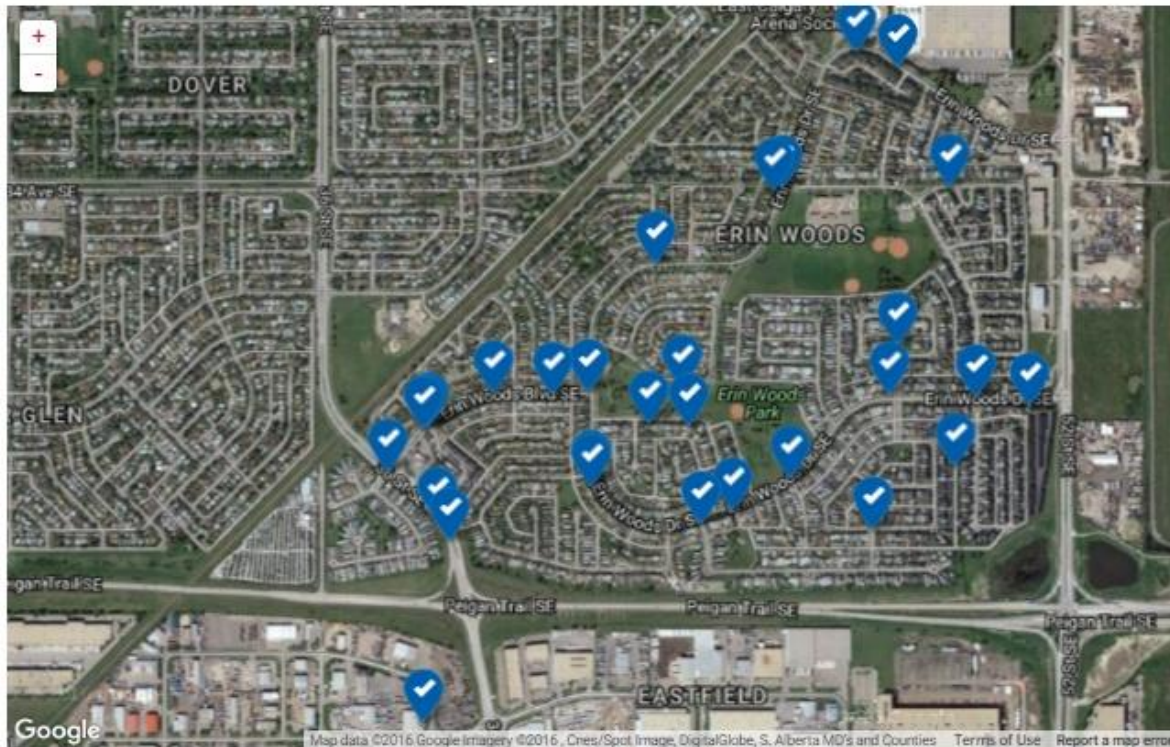
Open house responses:

- Erin Road – cars speeding past the play ground doing 50 to 60 km in a 30 km area.

- Possible 4 way stop at Erin Woods Blvd, Erin Dale and Erin Woods Court hard to see cars coming when leaving and cars speeding.
- Fix median at Petro Canada. Traffic circle at Erin Wood Blvd and Erin Woods Place.
- Every area has speed issues (indecipherable).
- All also school play ground zone needs policing.

Online responses:

Are there other areas that need traffic calming that aren't on the map above?



Location (nearest intersection)	Comment received
44 Avenue and 46 Avenue S.E.	U Turns continually on the main drive.
36 Street between Erin Woods Boulevard S.E. and Peigan Trail S.E.	Speeding traffic
	Due to poor egress at Petrocan, people exit onto 36 St N, then Uturn at lights @ EW Dr to go S on 36th. dangerous intersection; no access for W/B traffic into the service station/convenience store
Erin Woods Boulevard and Erin Dale Crescent S.E.	People WB on the blvd speed for about 30 or 40 ms WB in the EB lane to get to petro. If part of median was



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	<p>removed they could turn safely.</p> <p>No access via west bound to petro, can't u-turn past the lights. Need Access to avoid using oncoming lane.</p> <p>Stop vehicle access to PetroCan from the wrong way to WB vehicles using EB side of Erin Woods Blvd</p> <p>This single lane road is very wide and mistaken as a double lane road. Lane markers should be added to indicate.</p>
Erin Woods Boulevard S.E. playground zone	Move Playground Zone start further E on Blvd, its not as noticable close to Stop Sign.
Erin Woods Boulevard and Erin Woods Drive S.E.	Heavy volume of traffic at this intersection.
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Mt Crescent S.E.	NEED A CROSS WALK HERE
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Park Drive S.E.	<p>This is not a busy intersection and does not require a three way stop.</p> <p>Busy intersection, hard to enter Erin Woods Drive, should be 3-way stop.</p>
Erin Woods Drive S.E. at the East Calgary Twin Arena Society entrance	I have been passed on this corner
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Woods Terrace S.E.	Lots of speeding down this part of Erin Woods Drive
Erin Meadow Way and Erin Meadow Bay S.E.	Many kids play on the island and cars whip by. Some form of traffic calming would be beneficial!
Erin Meadow Green and Erin Circle S.E.	Major Speeding issues. Residents have no regards to the safety and well being and do not drive in a courteous manner.
Erin Woods Drive and 52 Street S.E.	the area in front of 7-11
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Grove S.E.	It is very difficult to see oncoming traffic in any direction if travelling SB and turning left or right due to parked cars.
Erin Grove S.E. – west alley	people drive way too fast in this alley
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Circle S.E.	Lots of people cross the road here (usually unsafely) due to the bus stop.
Erin Circle and Erin Road S.E.	People drive like crazy on Erin Circle
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Crescent S.E.	This should be a playground zone,
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Green Way S.E.	Crosswalk needed, too many kids and people cross here from bus stop with poor visibility thanks to parked vehicles.
Erin Woods Drive and Erin Road S.E.	People speed down Drive but you can't see from Erin Road to turn on to Erin Woods Drive due to cars parked on side of road. reduce speed



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Erin Woods Drive and Erin Ridge Road S.E.	People park too close to the curb. There should be a bus zone as a bunch of kids wait here on the corner every school morning.
	Something should be added here it is kind of a blind corner coming WB and there are often kids waiting for a bus in the am.
Erin Green Way and Erin Green Place S.E.	Speeding in playground zone by at least 50% of drivers.
	Speeding in playground zone
Erin Park Close S.E. – playground zone	Constant speeding in playground zone.

The appearance of the curbs isn't important to me.

	Online	Open House	Total
True	21	15	36
False	16	8	24

What do you like about the appearance of the traffic calming curbs?	What don't you like about the appearance of the traffic calming curbs?	The appearance of the curbs isn't important to me.
Online feedback		
	They don't really seem visible enough just based on that photo.	True
We need safety of Erin Woods residents, appearance of traffic curbs is not important.	N .A	True
Hopefully being yellow they will be more visible	I wonder if they will not be very visible since they are so low to the ground. They don't need to be pretty but they do need to be seen.	True
Appearance is less important that function in this case, especially as the roads are very wide in the neighbourhood.		True
		True
I don't like the appearance.	I don't understand the functionality.	False
		True



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They are yellow.	They are pretty low and not too threatening. They look like they could be easily moved.	False
Look isn't as important as the safety of pedestrians	The look isn't important as long as they are effective	True
I don't really care what they look like as long as they slow the traffic down.	I worry this may make things worse. If the speeders and crazy drivers hit them, I wonder if this will then send their car flying or into a roll over?	False
I like the visibility.	I am concerned over how this will effect street parking. Can you please address this or provide pictures as to how it will look in relation to our specific roads?	True
Absolutely nothing. Given the attitude of the offending drivers through this community, they will become targets rather than deterrants.	Very low profile. The space between the poles is too great.	True
		True
The shape is fine	The color. I think it would look a lot better if it was the same color as the sidewalk	False
		True
Nothing	ugly and useless.	False
		False
		False
They are sleek and tasteful	I worry that they are not visual enough but will see when they are in place	False
	They don't look very intimidating and they are kind of unattractive	False
		True
		True
	Not very appealing and will degrade the look of the community.	False
	Yellow color looks too pale, give it more brightness, vividness	False
As long as they do the job they were designed to do!		True
		True
	absolutely nothing is about this is warning	True



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	to slow down or not to make a one lane road into two lanes. The only thing this would help is to put them on the bend	
I like that they stand out and look quite visible.	The are not very pleasing to the eye, but since they are temporary they are fine. Should permanent ones be put in place after the pilot, perhaps the visual esthetic will be revisited.	True
		True
The cheery yellow colour that's not too bright, but bright enough.	I'm wondering if the the striped sticks are substantial enough to be seen easily.	False
don't like them	don't feel this is required in a neighborhood as small as Erin Woods	False
UGLY!	UGLY	False
Like.	A bit big.	False
		True
		True
As long as they do the job it doesn't matter what they look like!		False
They are visible	They don't really indicate what you are supposed to do with them other than not hit them.	True
Open house feedback		
OK		False
They should work to give pedestrians & drivers better visibility		False
The idea is good but traffic doesn't stop on Blvd even when you are in the middle of the intersection.	Somewhat unsightly - ? Moveable if a car or large truck pushes it	
	Appearance doesn't matter if they work	True
	As long as they work - not important.	True
Not much to like They will only work if they don't cause problems and if people actually cross at the cross walks.	The streets are already quite narrow and with parking they may actually be a hinderance to traffic flow.	False



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Great start. I am hoping this works to stop excessive speed & thinking Erin Woods Blvd Se is a two lane	Would like to see them in the road to make a decision	True
They look forbidding.	They look too easy to move	True
Temporary moveable	Unattractive.	False
If they do the job who cares what they look like!		True
Person visible on the curb. Slowing of traffic.	People still won't stop.	True
Vibrant color bold and stand out.		
Colour - they do the job.	N/A	False
N/A	Will not have an effect on the areas 1,2, 3. Those areas need to discourage the twin lane assumption that current drivers have. The curb extensions will work for areas 1, 2, 3. The addition of flashing crosswalk lights will make them more effective. Need speed limit signs.	True
Colour - bright enough for all to see just hope it works!		False
Should help slow down cars		True
Cars need to go around these calming curbs. Easier to see pedestrians.	Need standards with caution stripping on the curbs for visability to the drivers. Curbs at Erin Woods Blvd & Erin Woods Drive will cause a bottleneck at this intersection for drivers turning left & right.	
Nothing	The colors need to bold/bright - orange or yellow / lots of reflection. Too many proposed curbs. Limit # of curbs. Concentrate curbs on long routes not at intersections.	False
N/A	N/A	
I am not concerned about the appearance of anything except slowing traffic down! Pedestrian crossings need to be better marked! I watched a 16 yr old boy die after trying to cross in a pedestrian crossing.		True



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Anything that improves the crossing safety on Erin Woods Blvd. would be great.		True
They are big.	No curb appeal to them, look like someone is doing a home project. They need to be bright, maybe have pictures drawn on them like the electrical boxes.	
N/A	N/A	False
		True
		True
		True
		True
		True

The installation of traffic calming measures in Erin Woods is a pilot project. That means we will be checking in with you, the residents of Erin Woods, throughout the project to see how things are working. We also want to hear from you before we start the pilot project. Please circle your level of agreement with the following statements:

How safe do you feel as a pedestrian in Erin Woods?	Online	Open House	Total
Very unsafe	14	14	28
Somewhat unsafe	19	8	27
Somewhat safe	6	2	8
Very safe	11	1	12

How safe do you feel as a driver in Erin Woods?	Online	Open House	Total
Very unsafe	5	5	10
Somewhat unsafe	16	13	29
Somewhat safe	19	6	25
Very safe	11	1	12

How much of a concern do you have about traffic/speeding in Erin Woods?



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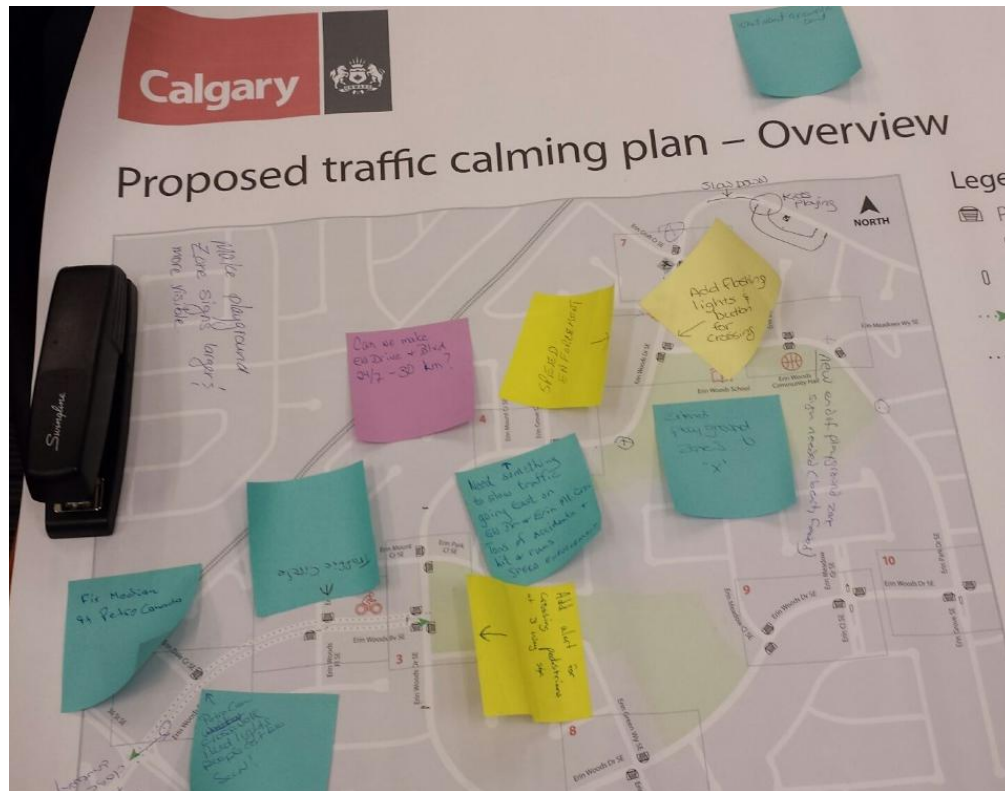
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Level of concern	Online	Open House	Total
7 (It's my greatest concern)	18	15	33
6	11	7	18
5	9	3	12
4	3	2	5
3	4	1	5
2	2	0	2
1 (Not a concern at all)	4	0	4

As part of the pilot project there will be an education and awareness campaign. Similar campaigns have happened in other communities. Please circle your level of agreement regarding whether these messages are a good fit for the campaign in Erin Woods.

Message	Online	Open House	Total responses
Look out for each other! Over 500 pedestrian collisions occur every year.			
Very good fit	17	14	31
Somewhat good fit	12	5	17
Somewhat bad fit	8	4	12
Very bad fit	6	2	8
Look out for each other! Safety is a joint responsibility between pedestrians and drivers.			
Very good fit	28	15	43
Somewhat good fit	11	5	16
Somewhat bad fit	3	5	8
Very bad fit	1	1	2
Residential area. Drive safely.			
Very good fit	23	22	45
Somewhat good fit	11	3	14
Somewhat bad fit	5	2	7
Very bad fit	3	1	4

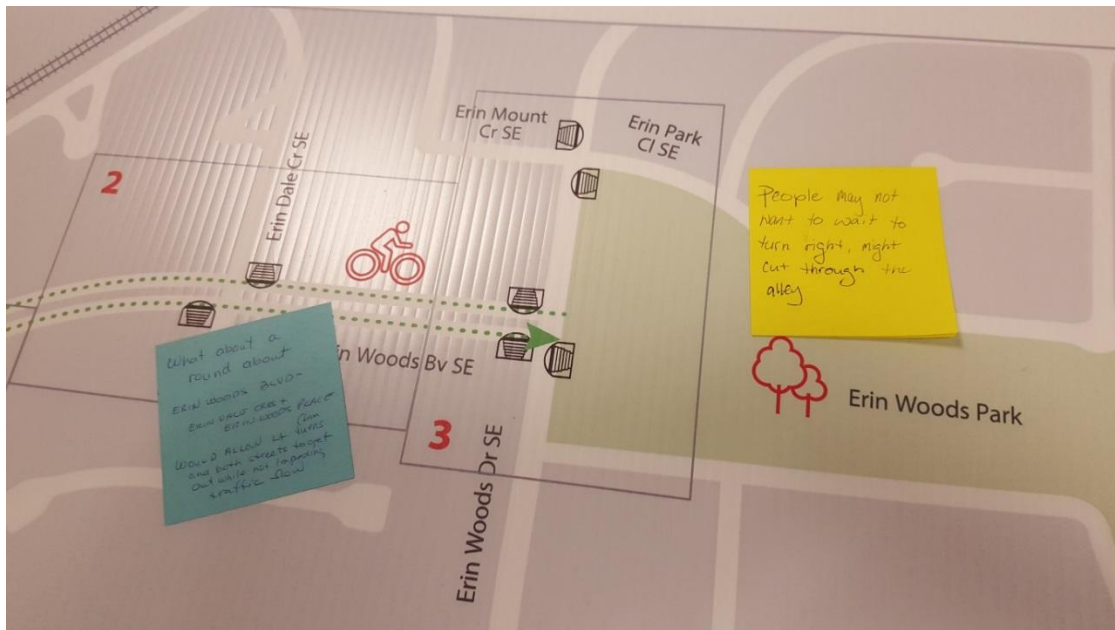
Feedback received on maps (Open House):



Post-it comments and notes on map:

- “Can we make EW Drive & Blvd 24/7 – 30 km?”
- “Speed enforcement” (near intersection of Erin Woods Dr & Erin Park Dr)
- “Add flashing lights & button for crossing” (intersection of Erin Woods Dr & Erin Park Dr)
- “Extend playground zones to x” (on bend of Erin Woods Dr between Erin Park Dr & Erin Grove Cl)
- “Need something to slow traffic going East on EW Dr & Erin Mt Cres. Tons of accidents & hit & runs. Speed enforcement.”
- “Traffic circle” (pointing towards intersection of Erin Woods Bv & Erin Dale Cr/Erin Woods Pl)
- “Add alert for crossing pedestrians at 3 way stop” (pointing towards intersection of Erin Green Wy & Erin Woods Dr)
- “Fix median at Petro Canada”
- “Petro Can crosswalk need lights people can’t be seen” (pointing towards Erin Dale Cr & Erin Woods Bv)

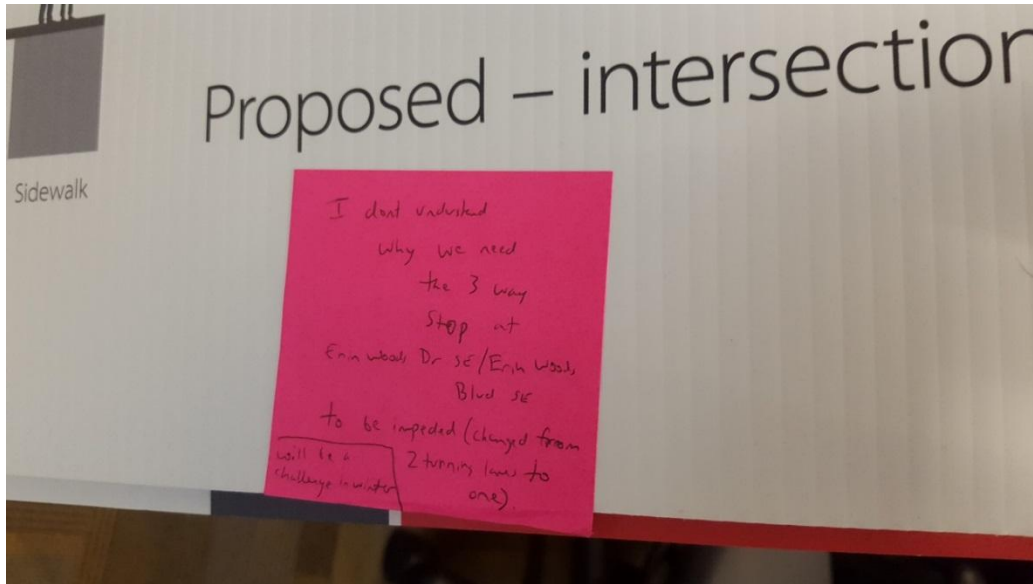
- “Kids playing – slow down” (Erin Woods Drive at Northeast corner of map)
- “New end of playground zone sign needed (bent, folded)” (on Erin Park Dr)
- “Make playground zone signs larger & more visible”
- “Driveway to close to intersect driveway” (Near Erin Woods Bv & 36 St)



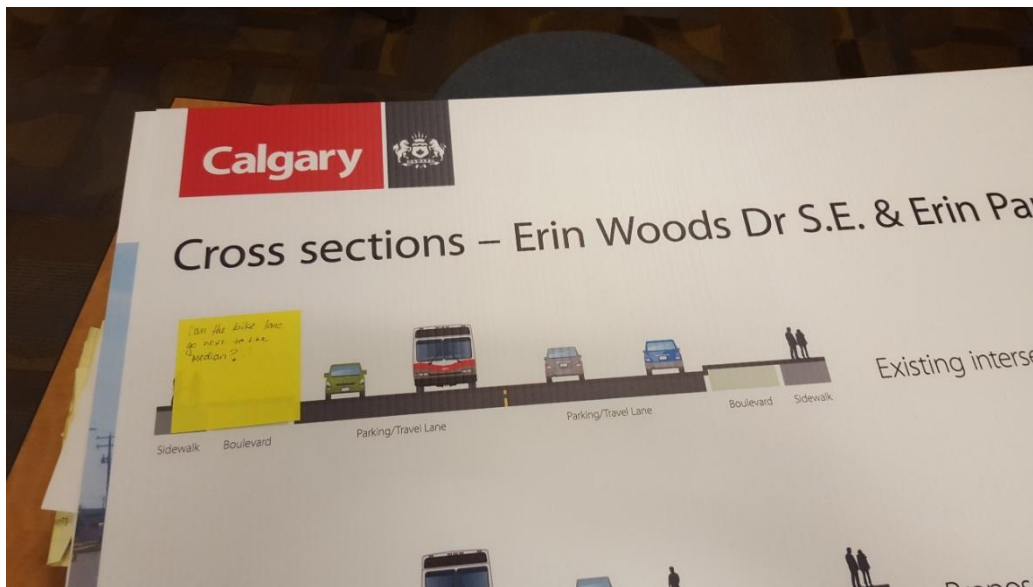
Post-it comments on map:

- “What about a round about Erin Woods Blvd – Erin Vale Cres & Erin Woods Place. Would allow Lt turns and both streets to get out while not impeding traffic flow.”
- “People may not want to wait to turn right, might cut through the alley”

Other feedback received at Open House:



Post-it comment: "I don't understand why we need the 3 way stop at Erin Wood Dr SE / Erin Woods Blvd SE. To be impeded (changed from 2 turning lanes to one). Will be a challenge in winter."



Post-it comment: "Can the bike lane go to the median?"



Post-it comment: “These curbs (too many of them) will make snow clearing even more difficult in winter for city. Please limit how many installed.”

Is there anything else you want the City to know related to traffic calming in Erin Woods?

Open house responses:

- I am scared to use the crosswalks (uncontrolled) on the Boulevard as drivers are NOT paying attention - speeding. How is this any more expensive than what the city is proposing!??? The crosswalks need attention - as important as speeding or bike lanes.
- We spend millions on "art" (ie blue circle off Deerfoot) and somehow thats more important than our safety?
- Lack of respect by drivers for crosswalks is my greatest concern.
- Let's get this done!
- Label 2nd playground zone to show increase and decrease in speeds in the neighbourhood.
- I feel the traffic calming curbs should be on the road side of the bike lanes not the curbside.
- Enforcement of the law would do more. Education of "yield", stop, & merge would do more to help curb problems.
- I don't agree with shortening the playground zones.
- I like the idea of a bike lane, but not happy there's no concrete barrier between cars and bikes.
- More policing & traffic tickets.

Online responses:



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- Definitely addressing Erin Woods Blvd between 36 St SE and Erin Woods Dr SE. A large majority of traffic treats that as two lanes, and I'm fairly certain it's not. Or if it is meant to be two lanes, it would be great if it was marked to avoid frustration and "road rage" style reactions from drivers who are basically choosing to follow their own rules.
- "Area 2, 1, 3, 5 and 7 are very very danger children play during day time and area 2 needs immediately stop sign and sun protection screen and please remove trees from area 1, 2 and 3 road curves.
- between area 1, 2 and 3 are blinds spot because of trees.
- Thank you"
- i honestly do not think that this project will make much difference - it will just frustrate drivers and pedestrians alike
- something needs to be done about the entrance to the Petro Can gas station from the Erin Woods Blvd. Too many people drive the wrong way on the street to gain entrance to the gas station. There is also a pedestrian crosswalk there so if you have normal traffic, someone trying to cut corners to the gas station and a pedestrian it makes for a tricky situation. I actually encountered that today, June 30th at about 2:20 pm and when I yell out of my window to the driver saying it's a one way I was told to shut up. Fortunately the pedestrian refused to cross until all cars were gone. I did not get the license plate of the van.
- The biggest offenders for traffic in the neighbourhood are parents driving and picking up their kids from school. Whether it's u-turns, parking excessively far from the curbs, or speeding in the 30 km/hr school zone a safety campaign (which I know the school does with kids) should really also be extended to the parents. I realize this isn't a fix the city can make, but perhaps it a recommendation that could be made to the school.
- I live on the Blvd by the three way stop and the cars coming north and south zoom around the corner when it's a playground zone people don't care they think it's a freeway all hours of the time and day
- Watch the ally on Erin woods Blvd fear people will try and bypass the calming measure at the 3 way stop..
- In addition jaywalkers and visibility along the Blvd with the trees should be considered more trees keep getting put in which is wonderful but limits the visibly when people are not crossing correctly..
- We and our 2 other neighbours have had our vehicles smashed up because of cars speeding, these 4 cars were a,k hit and run.
- The bus stop in front of my house, I've had to scream for the cars to stop and slow down as people were crossing the road.
- We have notivce many large business trucks speeding from 36 to get to 52nd.



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- It's has been horrible. I'm glad we are finally able to get an action plan. It's been over 10 years that we have seen many cars and trucks speeding through.
- I think it should be 40 k in this residential, we have the school,day care,twin arena,community centre,parks all on the Drive. This needs to stop before we reach our number of 6 fatality or more. Thank you very much.
- The bike routes absolutely great!"
- Cars parked too close to the intersections on Erin Woods Blvd SE obscures pedestrians trying to cross. I drive that way every morning and evening going to and from work and often times I cannot see a pedestrian until they are already crossing the intersection. Also, going West at the end of the day (4 - 5 pm) the trees along the boulevard make it difficult to see with the sun shining.
- Thank you for FINALLY looking at this dire situation. Even though I ride my bicycle down the proposed bike lane daily I am not sure it stop the idiocy going on with the drivers. I feel installing a multi-nova camera would be better suited. I am concerned that Erin Woods Boulevard will continue to be used as a two lane road. There is already one grave on that road and it is beyond belief that there is not more.
- Parking rules need to be enforced for vehicles and buses. On many streets, vehicles are parked too close to the corners or too close to the intersections, and it makes it hard to see pedestrians. Especially on Erin Woods Blvd.
- I have lived in the area for 15 years, during that period, I have only seen traffic enforcement a handful of times. From my observations, people travel under or at the speed limit in the area, however, there is a small minority that travels well above the speed limit. Increased enforcement should help remedy this problem.
- Taking a smooth well maintained road and installing speed bumps or drilling pot holes is not a logical solution. If I am in truck, I ignore the speed bumps, If I am in a car, I stop and creep over the speed bump then accelerate heavily to get back up to travelling speeds. The installation of the speed bumps reduces my attention to existing road hazards (ie. children) and focuses my attention to another road hazard, the speed bump or pothole. I am always concerned about being rear-ended at speed bumps, due to this intentional road hazard.
- The playground zone on Erin Park drive should be extended further to the south, so it is active before the community center. This area is used as a school bus pickup zone and after school care, thus warranting the reduced speeds a playground zone provides.
- Erin Woods BLVD is a single lane roadway, but it is wide enough to be two lanes. Occasionally, a person will treat this road as if it was two lanes. If clear lane markings were added, it should help with this problem. I would not be opposed to a marked bicycle path on this road.



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- When travelling westbound on Erin Woods BLVD there is no access to the petro. To gain access, one must travel westbound in the eastbound lane for a few meters. School and City buses often stage here, increasing the risk factor of this maneuver. The median was extended about eight years ago, causing this problem. If the median was shortened, this problem will go away.
- Overall, most motorists in this neighborhood are courteous and operate within the bounds of the law. Traffic flows smoothly and orderly fashion.
- Pedestrian crossing lights are needed on Erin woods drive and the intersection of Erin park /erin Grove. Drivers see green light at 52nd street and speed to try and make light. Have been almost hit many times in morning and evening crossing to go to bus stop.
- Plus.children Cross for school.daily and it is.same.for them.
- Number 9 in the traffic calming locations. (Erin Circle and Erin Woods drive is a very scary location for kids to cross to go to school. Looking both ways, walking north across erin woods drive, you cannot see to the left around the corner (as cars are driving east towards 52nd) Vehicles come around that corner so fast, with little time to slow down. I remember a few years ago a young boy being hit in that intersection and since then my kids and Day Home kids do not cross there.
- I'm glad to see this happening. We live in section 4 from the map and have had numerous accidents in front of our house over the years. When I say numerous, probably 10 or even more. We've had at least 2 **vehicles** totalled as well as many other incidents where our vehicles have been hit. I was thinking speed bumps, but the curbs may work. I'm hopeful!
- I am more concerned about our parked car as we are located on the main road in the problem area labeled as "4."
- Better lighting at crosswalks
- Start to ticket vehicles parked too close to crosswalks
- More traffic enforcement in the whole area, especially Erin woods drive, may turn out to be a nice cash cow for the city
- *(Offensive language removed)*
- I think that it is an important initiative. I have lived in the area for more than 7 years and I am astounded at the number of people who speed through the playground zones, for example. It seems that the majority of drivers in the area, speed, as there are no repercussions when they do.
- Speeding has to be the worst issue for me here in Erin Meadow Green. It is only a Cul de sac but the drivers are still reckless, and show not respect for his or her neighbor.I The majority of residents here, do drive recklessly (especially the drivers of trucks) who SPEED with with no regard to anyone. The speed limit in these Cul de sacs should be reduced to 30,
- Better high-visibility pedestrian signage on Erin Woods Blvd. Much more strict speed enforcement in **school** and playground zones.



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- *(Offensive language removed)* I am not sure they will do as much as hoped. My son was hit in the same area as *(personal identifier removed)* and nothing was done then. It takes a young man to die to get help!!! But at least it is happening. Faster would be good. Before another child dies in Erin Woods due to drivers that don't understand what crosswalks are and speed limit signs.!
- We neeeeeeed lights in 2 3 and 8 its scary to actually walk across the road
- If we had more of a police presence in Erin Woods, I believe that would also help to lower speeds. We have a problem on the Boulevard, but also on the Drive in the playground zone by the park in the middle of the area. This has been reported repeatedly to Calgary Police Service who now seem to just ignore them. I have no doubt speeding has become a concern in every street in Erin Woods and drivers become belligerent when it is suggested that they slow down ... even when their children are in the vehicle. Of course, that attitude changes when THEY ARE WALKING WITH THEIR OWN CHILDREN!!
- Most of the people driving in and out Erin Woods Drive don't pay attention on the changes of Maximum Speed, coming from 52nd, most of them thought that they are free to run their vehicles at 60 km still or faster approaching Erin Woods especially within this stretch entering the 7/11 store area coming from 52nd. I would suggest putting an active speeding camera on this area especially at night time most of the motorist running more than 60 km per hour in the middle of the night (Erin Woods Drive is just like a play ground to these inconsiderate individuals) for us, our home nestled in the middle of this said stretch, most of the midnight or early morning, I am waking up and startled with the sound of inconsiderate drivers who's driving with their noisy mufflers or huge sounds from their radios. In some other advanced cities around the world, noisy mufflers are being banned and illegal. Maybe often presence or sight of Traffic Policemen or Enforcers would stop these speeding goons around Erin Woods Drive. Most of the time motorbikes during this summer. This in a long run would be a health hazard, not only for my family not having peaceful and restful sleep at night but for everyone who are living few feet away from Erin Woods Drive. This community is composed of young families, to say the least we don't call and do not want to witness another accident that had happened last September I think it was and lost one young life which of course left scars to each member of this community. We love our community reason why we choose to stay here with our love ones but of course we could only be contented and secured if we know that our love ones are always safe. Please do not waste the property tax we are paying every year, I just came from the bank and paid my share of \$2,635.00 property tax. Help us make our community safe and healthy to everyone, young and old. Concerned Neighbor
- Excessive speeding on Erin woods drive by the areanas
- Erin woods Blvd....either paint a lone to make it 2 lanes of narrow it so it is single traffics



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- Why are bike lanes consistently force-fed to Calgarians? I have lived in the Erin Woods area for around 3 years and I see so few bikes around. Like practically nothing. Very few Calgarians in Erin Woods have any interest in these bike lanes. This is another classic example of people within the community association thinking that they represent their neighbourhood. Seriously, You are not the 4th level of government. In general, the community associations are a poor representation of the people who live there and in Erin Woods, this is clearly the case.
- I've lived in the neighbourhood for 10 years. I've never once seen a traffic cop inside the neighbourhood. Of course when residents know they can get away with speeding, they will.
- I agree with all of the 10 identified spots. The problem with the design of the neighbourhood is the nature of the 'ring road'. It has curves which make it hard to see around. Curved roads somehow promoting speeding.
- Everyone parks on the road, so you have very little visibility. Example: If someone is trying to cross Erin Woods Dr from Erin Park Road, onto Erin Grove, you have to creep out almost to the middle of the road before you can see any oncoming traffic, which happens to come racing down the road."
- The speed limit should be reduced to 30km through out the entire Community
- There is nothing on Erin Place and Erin Road and PEIGAN Trail we need traffic calming there! There is extreme loins and speeding traffic 24 hours a day! Constant traffic which affect residents directly that live on this streets and across the street from extrem Noise from Traffic! Speeding a muffler violations are constant issues and semi break retards !
- Lowering the speed limit does little or nothing without effective enforcement. People will still speed or play with their handheld devises and not pay attention to the road. Also, jaywalking is also a problem.
- Not at this time. After this has been put in place I feel a revisit will determine the problem areas if any.
- No one slows down at Erinwoods school is nuts (*personal identifier removed*) I would like to see more cross walks painted. People at this play ground zone don't slow down at all. It scares me every time my grandson tries to cross the street to go to school.
- A 40kph speed limit would help.
- The large speed bumps seem like a more effective move. They deter speeding in other communities
- Bike lanes will cause already narrow roads to become more congested. very bad idea
- Yes , put in a pedestrian sidewalk on the east side of the road on Erin ridge court for pedestrian safety, there is no sidewalk there, people and kids have to walk on road to go to school, go to park, and go to field to play. I've been wanting to complain about this for ages as I am not happy with the saftey for my **kids** having to walk on road. Come September, my daughter joins my two sons going to school, where there will be, 3 kids having to walk on the road from ages, 4 to 11, there is also a



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neighbors along same side with a 4 year too. It would also allow the kids to ride thier trikes in safety.

- We Have a lot of playground zones where the speed is adhere to from what I see, I don't feel that traffic calming is required in these areas.
- As per the traffic calming guidelines these are put in places where speed limit is 50, playground and school zones are 30 that's why I don't think they're required in these areas.
- The map shows just about every corner on the 2 major routes to have them, not very appealing either.
- Erin Woods does not need traffic calming
- It's a race track on Erin woods Blvd
- Most people use Erinwoods Blvd as 2 lanes this is not acceptable! We hope the bike lanes solve this problem! Please make sure the bike lanes are wide enough to deter people from using the Blvd as 2 lanes! Might have to put a solid yellow line down the left hand sides of the Blvd to show motorists it's only 1 lane.
- Even the residential roads. The long caldesacs like Erin Ridge Rd se.
- The road gets filled with parked cars on both sides. People still rip through. Especially the corner areas leave little room for moving over.
- I suggest in road speed bumps. We have no sidewalk on our side. My children can't get to the corner to cross without walking on the road sometimes. With so many cars parked and so many flying through it is pretty dangerous for the kids."
- You can't put a bike lane on the boulevard.Where will people park?Install crosswalk lights there instead.
- Shorten the park zone -its too far past the school & park by 2 blocks NE
- What good is a bike lane on Erin Woods Blvd? A bike lane that goes nowhere except to main roads? That would truly be a waste of time and money.
- One of my greatest concerns next to the speeds travelled and individuals making two lanes when there is only one, and the lack of pedestrian caution/courtesy, is the speeds at which the city buses drive through the neighborhood along with the amount of space they take up in crossing over the yellow line into oncoming traffic, since the roads are somewhat narrow in places. I personally have been almost hit by a city bus weekly in driving through the neighborhood. Some education needs to be directed at those professional drivers.
- Where is police when you need them? Need more presence.
- If no one is policing the playground zones, they tend to be ignored.



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- Speeding on the side streets around Erin Woods Park (a playground zone) is an ongoing concern, and seems to have increased since the City changed to all Playground Zones. There needs to be more signage, as the only Playground Zone sign is right before the EB stop sign at the 3-way intersection, and it seems many people may not realize that it continues for 2 more turns after that, on either side of the Park. Also, the Playground Zones end too soon at the east ends, right beside playfield areas (ball diamonds and basketball court). Have never seen police enforce these areas, and so the speeders never learn.
- Park right beside 19 Eric circle. 30 Kms per hour. No stop sign, yield sign or nothing and people just fly down this street right INFRONT of the park.
- I have lived in this neighborhood for 34 years and do not feel any of this is necessary
- A sound barrier wall along Peigan trail going down to 52 street would be appreciated. Lived here for over 30 years and the extra noise from traffic, added lanes, on Peigan, the addition of Stoney Trail has created WAY more noise behind the houses and way into the community. It would also help with damages from
- Vandals on yards and thefts in the community which is becoming a serious issue!
- Roads are too wide and people CONSTANTLY drive side-by-side thinking its a two lane street.
- The crosswalks in Erin woods need to be more visible, with the curved roads and the width of the streets it's hard to see pedestrians crossing. The city said it's too expensive and too much work to install signalling lights however why not install the solar power crosswalk signs that are all over newer neighbourhoods. If the time and effort can go into other neighbourhoods then why not ours?!
- Safety around the school is enforced very poorly. Cars speed, do illegal u-turns, fail to stop for pedestrians and park illegally. There is no enforcement or accountability.
- I think appropriate measures are already in place if people choose to abide by them (use the cross walks instead of jay walking, etc). There are numerous school and playground zones that people are already adhering too. I have been living in Erin woods for over 30 years (both on the main road and in a cul-de-sac, and have not seen any issues. I also have small children that navigate the area with ease.
- A few overzealous and verbal members of the community should not determine unneeded city spending.
- The median at the petro can should have a portion removed, as people coming EB on erin woods blvd who want to grab a coffee pause at the condo parking lot turn then drive against traffic for about 40 meters to get to the petro entrance. You can see at least 5 vehicles do that in 10 minutes or less.



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- A lot of people speed through the playground zones, especially at the tee intersection of Erin woods drive and Erin woods Boulevard. Also, the intersection of Erin park drive and Erin meadows court is constantly being used to u-turn after people drop off/pick up children from school. On Erin woods Boulevard near the petro; people heading west towards 36th street often turn around the median into oncoming traffic to get to the petro Canada gas station there, the only other option is to drive around the back of the petro through the condominium parking lot or to drive through the intersection and then u-turn inside the trailer park which is also illegal. There is not much choice given for people heading west on Erin woods Boulevard wanting to go to petro Canada. Lots of poor driving attitudes in Erin woods.
- First of all, I'll preface this with I'm 34 years old, not 65+, I've lived in Erin Woods for 4+ years. The problem in Erin Woods, isn't speeding, it's pedestrians not using crosswalks, parents not teaching their kids to look both ways before crossing the street, and teenagers complete disregard for their safety and the safety of others around them and they casually walk, bike, and skateboard in and about and I front of traffic on Erin Woods Blvd, and drive.
- None of these measures will fix stupid.
- do not do it. it is not needed.
 - what is needed is:
 - proper lines painted on erin woods blvd se dividing lanes and parking.
 - send parking patrol to stop people from parking too close to intersections.
 - permit parking as there are far too many cars parked on erin woods dr se when there are alleyways and garages
- PAVED BACK LANES would likely encourage people to park in the back.
- I get at least four to five people a day pulling U turns in front of my house some with near misses of getting hit.
- I am unable to attend the meeting on June 29 which is why I am answering this online. I catch transit service every morning and evening. I cross at the intersection of Erin Woods Blvd and Erin Woods Cres. I do not feel that speed is the issue on this street but rather that drivers are not looking anywhere but straight ahead so are often not seeing pedestrians. Narrow roads will likely make matters worse. There needs to be pedestrian lights or some other form of lighting so drivers can see pedestrians. I bike but do not think this area needs bike lanes, there does not seem to be issues with bikes and vehicles from what I have seen. I would like to see safer pedestrian crossings and better lit streets in this neighbourhood.

Open house evaluation

How did you hear about the open house? Please select all that apply.



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	Total responses
Road signs	13
Calgary.ca	0
Twitter	0
Postcard	10
Friend	9
Other: Erin Woods community Facebook page	1
Other: Facebook	2
Other: Traffic calming committee member	2
Other: Traffic calming committee	1
Other: News	1
Other: Newsletter	1

To help us determine how satisfied you are with today’s open house, please circle your answer to the questions below.

How satisfied are you with the clarity of information presented at today’s open house?

	Total responses
Satisfied	18
Somewhat satisfied	7
Somewhat dissatisfied	1
Dissatisfied	1

How satisfied are you with the project team’s response to your questions?

	Total responses
Satisfied	19
Somewhat satisfied	4
Somewhat dissatisfied	0
Dissatisfied	2

Do you have any additional comments about the open house?

- Great Idea – Good info provided & they listened to us.
- Very informative – thank you for taking the time to talk with the community.



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- Well presented.
- Was very informative, nice to see other peoples suggestions.
- Quotes (prices on curbs extension) - possible cost vs pedestrian lights, more signs, etc... no prices or mentions of speed bumps around school.