

O'SHAUGHNESSY BLVD IMPROVEMENTS

DPT TRAFFIC CALMING

August 30, 2005

MEETING NOTES

Attendance: Dan Provence, Brian Soland, 12 Neighbors

Comment: There is a 25 MPH sign missing on O'Shaughnessy about 125 feet west of property line (pictures given of MUNI bus that hit sign).

Response: We will put in a request for a new sign.

Comment: Create a roundabout at Malta and O'Shaughnessy

Response: We were considering an island near the Malta Ped crossing that would reduce lane width and provide a safe place for pedestrians to stop.

Comment: Place Rumble Strips before crosswalk at Malta for cars going downhill.

Response: This is a good suggestion, although we will have to consider the noise issues related to rumble strips.

Comment: Three-way stop at O'Shaughnessy and Malta.

Response: Stop sign may increase speeding when drivers try make to up for lost time.

Comment: There are visibility problems when approaching the crosswalk at Malta in the uphill direction.

Response: We will make sure ped crossing sign is visible and not obstructed.

Comment: Place speed humps on O'Shaughnessy.

Response: Because we do not put speed humps on bus routes, we are not going to consider installing speed humps on O'Shaughnessy.

Comment: Increased enforcement of speed limits.

Response: We can inform the Police Dept. but cannot ensure or predict where they patrol. We can however work toward some physical improvements that will help slow down cars.

Comment: A speed radar sign to let drivers know their speed and the posted speed limit.

Response: Although not completely "sold" on the effectiveness of these signs, this is something we are willing to explore.

Comment: Narrow O'Shaughnessy/Bosworth before and after Bosworth cul-de-sac with islands or widened sidewalks.

Response: This could move vehicles traveling on O'Shaughnessy/Bosworth closer to parked cars and driveways, leading to some safety concerns. We will look into how this could work.

Comment: Stop-Hit posts in median on O'Shaughnessy between Bosworth and Malta.

Response: We were thinking of something more aesthetically pleasing like a landscaped median.

Comment: No time for left turn from Bosworth Cul-de-sac onto Bosworth during rush hour traffic.

Response: We could look into adjusting the signal timing at the Elk/Bosworth intersection.

Others at the meeting commented that traffic can back up on Bosworth to the Bosworth/O'Shaughnessy intersection and adjusting signal timing could cause a larger backup. Hopefully our other traffic calming efforts will slow traffic and provide adequate gaps.

Follow-up comment: As long as this does not increase the traffic that backs up on Bosworth at the signal.

Comment: A more pronounced "Signal Ahead" sign would let drivers know they need to slow down.

Response: We will look into what already exists and consider the request.

Comment: Many street lights are burnt out.

Response: We will contact DPW after confirming which lights are out.

Comment: Shrubs and brush hinder view and lighting on O'Shaughnessy west of Bosworth (south side of street).

Response: We will contact DPW and make sure the brush is cleared.