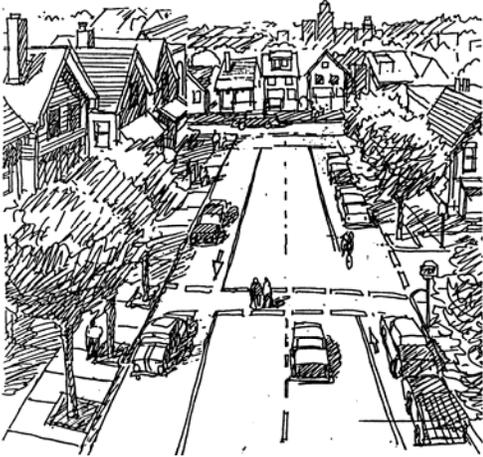


Neighborhood Traffic Management Program

Or

How to Reduce Traffic on Your Local Residential Street



What is the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP)?

The primary goal of the NTMP is to provide relief from traffic related concerns, such as excessive speed and volume on local residential streets.

How Does the Program Work?

The process contains several steps and begins with an inquiry to the City Traffic Engineer from a resident about a traffic related concern.

What's Next?

If a traffic concern cannot be resolved simply, a petition from a representative number of residents in the neighborhood will be requested to verify a widespread concern for the traffic issue.

After receipt and review of the petition, City staff will collect data and will analyze possible solutions to the traffic concerns cited in the petition. These solutions will be presented to residents at a neighborhood traffic meeting.

Based on the resident comments and consensus at this meeting, a postcard survey will be developed, which will include the solutions favored by residents.

If the survey shows a particular solution is favored by the residents (2/3-majority), staff will prepare a recommendation to the City Council Transportation Committee (CTC) for authorization to install the devices. Depending on the type of devices recommended, the City Council may need to authorize the installation. Typically, the CTC and City Council follow the neighborhood vote, but this outcome is not guaranteed.

If the devices are approved, they will be installed on a demonstration basis for one year to determine effectiveness. At the end of one year, data will be collected to determine if the devices were successful.

Based on the data, staff will return to the CTC and City Council to recommend the devices be removed, modified or made permanent.

Residents may also request the removal of the devices through the post card survey process. If a 2/3-majority supports removal, staff will recommend removal of the devices.

What are the Principles and Guidelines of the NTMP?

The NTMP process only applies to local residential and collector streets; not larger streets such as arterials.

Some diversion of traffic is expected and a low ambient level of non-neighborhood traffic always exists.

Emergency vehicle access as well as pedestrian and bicycle access should be maintained on traffic-managed streets.

Removal of some street parking may be necessary to implement traffic management plans.

Requests for traffic management devices shall be on a first-come first- served basis.

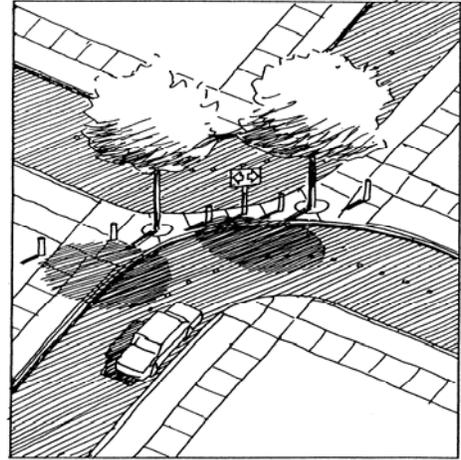
Traffic management devices need 2/3-majority approval of the responding neighborhood residents and property owners.

Stop signs and traffic signals are not traffic calming measures. For more information on these devices, request a copy of the stop sign and traffic signal brochures by calling the phone number listed at the end of this document.

What Types of Devices Can be Used to Control Traffic Speed and Volume?

There are many traffic control devices that can be used on local residential streets. They range from simple warning signs to complete street closures. A list of devices available for implementation includes:

- Speed & Warning Signs
- Turn Restriction Signs
- Speed Humps
- Narrow Median Islands
- Chokers & Bulb-outs
- Landscape Trees
- Traffic Circles
- Forced Channelization
- One-Way Entrances/Exits
- Cul-de-Sacs
- One-Way Chicanes
- Woonerfs



What Amount of Funds are Available?

The NTMP fund begins each fiscal year with \$50,000 and is used until it has been depleted. Special projects or projects over the budget amount require City Council funding approval.

How Long Will it Take to Implement a Traffic Management Plan on My Street?

Staff strives to implement an approved plan within 6 to 9 months of the initial contact. Special projects or projects requiring City Council funding approval may take up to a year or more, depending on the type of device(s) to be installed.

Who should I contact?

You may contact either the City Traffic Engineer or the Senior Administrative Analyst for the Transportation Division at (650) 903-6311. You may also send an email to Public.works@mountainview.gov.