



RECEIVE WEGMANS TRAFFIC CALMING REPORT AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC CALMING IMPROVEMENTS

STAFF REPORT

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PROJECT LOCATION

Wegmans Grocery Store, 1820 Fordham Boulevard

MEETING DATE

September 9, 2020

STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION

That the Council receive the information and consider adopting the resolution and enacting the ordinances to authorize the traffic calming improvements.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff held several traffic calming workshops with neighbors of the Wegmans grocery store, now under construction, to identify primary concerns and solutions for traffic in the neighborhood.

PROCESS

As part of the Wegmans Special Use Permit approved by the Chapel Hill Town Council on October 25, 2017, staff included a stipulation to address the potential for increased traffic on nearby residential streets.

Town staff, with representatives from Engineering, Planning, Police, and Fire departments, held several community meetings to discuss proposed traffic calming. These included a neighborhood walkthrough and three community workshops.

DECISION POINTS

- Town staff recommends the following improvements:
- Install “No through trucks” signs on Garden Street, Legion Road Extension, Standish Drive, and Scarlett Drive between Legion Road and Garden Street;
 - Install wayfinding signs at the intersection of Legion Road and Scarlett Drive;
 - Install electronic speed display signs on Legion Road Extension and Standish Drive;
 - Install all-way stop controls at:
 - Garden Street and Scarlett Drive (at both ends);
 - Standish Drive at three intersections (at Elderberry Drive, at St. Thomas Drive, and at Bluefield Drive);
 - Install high visibility crosswalks at the intersections of Legion Road/Scarlett Drive and Legion Road Extension/Cooper Street.

BACKGROUND

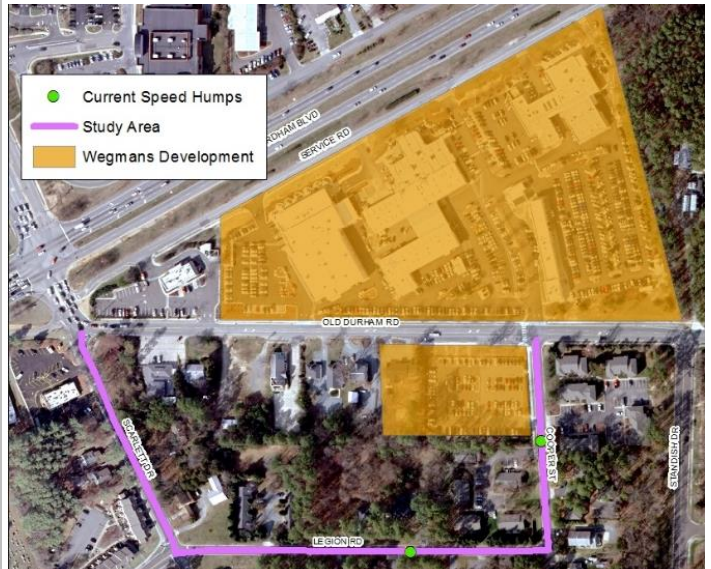
Since October 2017, staff organized the following:

- April 12, 2018 Neighborhood walkthrough
- May 31, 2018 Community Workshop
- February 25, 2019 Community Workshop
- March 5, 2020 Community Workshop

Residents identified the following traffic concerns:

- Existing cut-through traffic will increased;
- Speeding;
- Too many existing speed tables;
- Need for more crosswalks.

LOCATION



ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Staff Presentation
2. Resolution A, Approving traffic calming measures
3. Ordinance A, Amending Chapter 21 of the Town Code of Ordinances
4. Ordinance B, Amending Chapter 21 of the Town Code of Ordinances