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KILBORNE DR. SIDEWALK PROJECT

PUBLIC MEETING NOTES

JUNE 23, 2016 @ 5:30-7:30 P.M.

Attendees: Tracy Newsome, Mark Grimshaw, Tom Sorrentino, Scott Curry, Catherine Mahoney, Felix Obregon, Jim Beck (DRMP), Chris Sunde (DRMP)

Summary: Meeting was held at Kilborne Park. Approximately 35-45 members of the public attended. Display boards showing typical sections and concept renderings were explained by City and DRMP staff. Members of the public were asked to “vote” on their preferred location of (1) pedestrian crossing locations and (2) on-street parking by placing blue and yellow dots, respectively, on those spots on the concept plan. In addition to speaking with all public attendees and receiving their feedback, the project team collected survey forms from residents garnering their feedback in the areas of walking, biking, driving, and transit. Two walking tours of the portion of Kilborne Dr. from the Park to Enfield Rd. were hosted by City staff to solicit further input and further explain the project intent.

Public input received verbally by the project team:

Walking

1. Interested in Old Potter Rd. project, location and history
2. Likes nature preserve and wetland
3. Prefers buffer between sidewalk and road, and sidewalks on both sides of Kilborne
4. Although individual does not live on Kilborne Dr., concerned with moving sidewalks closer to houses, with such small front yards, that noise from pedestrians will become audible from within homes
5. Provide drinking or decorative fountains along sidewalk
6. Provide benches in the park and along sidewalk
7. Provide pedestrian crossings at intersections
8. Feels unsafe walking with speeding traffic on Kilborne Dr.
9. Wants sidewalks
10. Central Ave. and Kilborne Dr. crossing is unsafe

Biking

1. Would not ride bike anywhere in Charlotte. It feels too unsafe.
2. People drive in bike lanes
3. Prefers bike buffers

Driving

1. Enfield to Markham: people use the middle lane for passing (comment received multiple times from different individuals)
2. Head on collision at Kilborne and Wicklow
3. Prefers continuous median on Kilborne
4. Residents can identify accidents by sound due to how often they occur
5. Doesn't want on-street parking (comment received multiple times from different individuals)
6. Several individuals liked the idea of medians at either end of the curve in Kilborne Dr. to help keep people from running off the road.

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7. Street lighting and better signage at the curve would help slow people down and keep them from running off the road
8. Sudbury Dr. sight lines are bad in both directions due to curve in road and trees/shrubs
9. Maureen Dr. has a sight line problem from southbound traffic
10. Signs should be in English and Spanish
11. Decrease the speed limit to slow drivers down
12. Notices lots of accidents on Kilborne Dr.
13. Provide more parking for the park. The parking lot fills up on weekends.
14. Speeding due to cut-through between Central Ave. and Eastway Dr.
15. Need directional signs for Kilborne Park on Central Ave. and Eastway Dr.
16. Lots of traffic at apartments

Transit

No comments recorded

General

1. Save trees
2. Lots of trash along roadway
3. More police presence at park to help stem drugs and graffiti (kids skipping school during the day)
4. One individual walked from Shamrock Rd. Complained that Shamrock/Eastway Intersection does not have sufficient pedestrian signals (not related to this project)
5. Provide education signs at park for trees