


NEWINGTON ROAD SAFETY INITIATIVE

10 March 2020

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The primary goals of the Newington Road Safety Initiative are to:

- ▶ Improve town road safety for pedestrian and non-motorized access within the community
 - ▶ Create traffic calming measures that establish a significantly safer environment for children and adults to access town facilities including the school, library, playgrounds, and other public facilities by foot, bike or other similar means
 - ▶ Install multiple enhancements in the vicinity of the town hall (initial phase) that creates identifiable features which will contribute further to the unique beauty of the town and to enhance the identity of this area as the town center
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- ▶ A town committee has been established to support an effort to apply for a federal grant that could pay for up to 80% of the cost.
- ▶ An engineering study for the initial phase, in the vicinity of the town hall, has been previously developed
- ▶ Input from the public will be a key part of the development process.
- ▶ The project will likely be phased in over time subject to the availability of funds and level of priority for specific travel areas
- ▶ Initial phases(s) will focus on:
 - ▶ Shattuck Way to Coleman Dr. to Fox Point Rd
 - ▶ Fox Point Rd to Little Bay Rd to the Old Town Hall
 - ▶ Access lanes for school kids to reach the school via a lane through the Town Hall and tennis court parking lot
- ▶ Later phases could connect:
 - ▶ Fox Point Road to the Fox Point Recreation Area
 - ▶ Little Bay Rd
 - ▶ McIntire/Newington Roads

THE COMMITTEE HAS DRAWN UPON ESTABLISHED BEST PRACTICES TO DEVELOP THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO NIMBLE HILL RD AND FOX POINT RD:

- WIDEN EXISTING ROADS AND ADD ONE OR TWO CLEARLY MARKED 3-5 FOOT WIDE MULTI-USE LANES (SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE SPACE AND COST TO MODIFY)
- INSTALL GATEWAY SIGNS ON NIMBLE HILL RD AT TOWN CENTER ENTRY POINTS WITH AN APPROPRIATE CAUTIONARY MESSAGE REGARDING SPEED AND SAFETY
- INSTALL POLE MOUNTED DIGITAL SPEED LIMIT DISPLAY SIGNS
- INSTALL RUMBLE STRIPS AT HIGH-RISK POINTS (PRIOR TO BLIND SPOTS ON TWO SMALL HILLS ON NIMBLE HILL RD)
- INSTALL A DECORATIVE RAISED INTERSECTION AT THE TOWN CENTER INTERSECTION (NIMBLE HILL & FOX POINT)
- INSTALL CLEARLY MARKED CROSS WALKS AND FLASHING SIGNS AT THE TOWN CENTER AND AT SELECT SCHOOL CROSSING AREAS



BIKE/WALKING LANE MARKING

3 foot wide on each side of the street

Clearly marked – not for vehicle traffic use



COMMUNITY GATEWAY SIGNS

Located near junction of Shattuck Way - Nimble Hill Rd and junction of Nimble Hill Rd - Little Bay Rd

Includes message that alerts vehicle traffic about enhanced speed enforcement zone including the school zone and multi-use lanes

Marks boundary of police enforcement zone with increased fines

SPEED REDUCTION TABLE / RAISED INTERSECTION

INTERSECTION OF FOX POINT AND NIMBLE HILL ROADS





PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

Use of flashing crossing signs at clearly marked crossing zones at designated points



SPEED LIMIT SIGN WITH DIGITAL RADAR SPEED RECORDED

Two signs positioned at high risk points



RUMBLE STRIPS

Located prior to two hills on Nimble Hill Rd that create greatest safety risk on this corridor



ATTENTION GRABBING CROSSWALK

Installed at town center and school crossing areas

Easily recognizable (contrast using color or different materials)

Supplement with flashing cross walk sign

Other:

- Coordinate enhanced Police enforcement to establish a new norm and change behavior of driving public that routinely uses this route
- Solicit INPUT FROM THE TOWN STAKEHOLDERS -- Road AGENT, Fire DEPARTMENT, Police DEPARTMENT, SCHOOL, ETC.

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