## Aldrich Road Traffic Calming

Public Zoom Meeting February 23, 2021

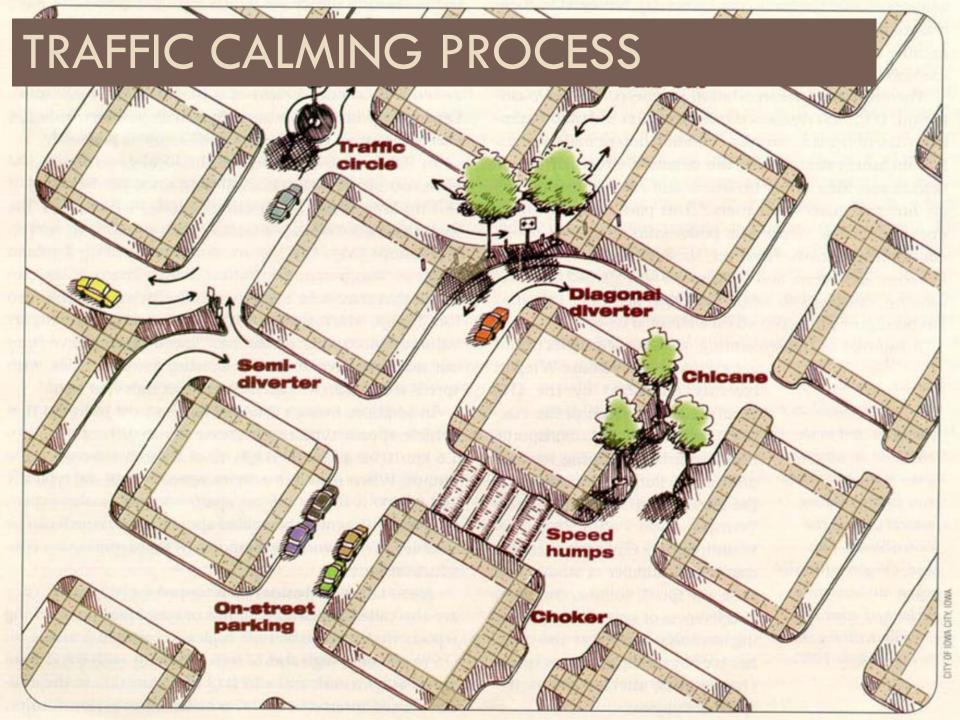


#### Past Efforts

- Neighborhood petition to lower speed limit to 20 MPH -Approved 1986
- Parking prohibited on curve at Sewall 2002
- Public Meeting to discuss street design March 2013
  - Traffic Calming Alternatives selected by residents
- 2014 Roadway Reconstruction \$1.5 Million
  - Roadway reconstruction
  - Sidewalk adjustments
  - Curbing
  - Parking cut outs

#### Past Efforts continued

- Requests for stop signs at Boss Avenue and Sewall Road - numerous times, denied due to ineligibility
- Removed double yellow centerline between Sewall Road and Islington Street - 2016
- January 2019 Traffic Calming Process PTS approved removal of centerline from Middle Street to Joffre Terrace, adding more speed limit signs and continue to monitor speeds.
- Speed Feedback sign November 2020
- Speeds over 40 MPH have dropped from 0.4% to 0.06%



### Traffic Calming Process

Phase 1 – Preliminary Assessment - Completed

Phase 2 – Type of Traffic Calming Measure - Current

Level I Program - Community Oriented Traffic Calming Level II Program - Physical Traffic Calming Measures

Phase 3 – Funding and Implementation

#### **Phase 1 – Preliminary Assessment**

- One 10-foot wide travel lane in each direction
- Double yellow center line on curve, white edge lines
- Sidewalk on both sides entire length
- Parking prohibited near Portsmouth Laundry
- Crosswalks at Sewall Road and Boss Avenue

#### Phase 1 – Preliminary Assessment

- 900 1,000 average daily traffic volume
- Posted Speed Limit 20 MPH
- Speeds near Boss Avenue
  - Average 22 MPH
  - 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 28 MPH
  - 0.06% over 40 MPH
- 2 accidents in last 5 years
- Functional Classification (determined by County, State and FHWA) Local designed specifically to have high accessibility and to connect to collector and arterial roads, and are typically not used for through traffic.

## **Speed Data**



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# Community Oriented Traffic Calming Measures

- Street Signs / Pavement Markings (MUTCD compliance required)
- Radar Speed Feedback Sign
- Police Enforcement



## Physical Traffic Calming Measures

- Vertical Deflections
  - Speed hump
    - 25-27 MPH 85<sup>th</sup> %ile
  - Speed table
    - 30-32 MPH 85th %ile
  - Speed cushion
  - Raised crosswalk
  - Raised intersection
- Horizontal Deflections
  - Neighborhood traffic circle

- Curb extension / bulb out
- Chicane
- Median Island
- Physical Obstructions
  - Semi-diverter
  - Diagonal diverter
  - Street closures
  - Median island

# Possible Locations of Speed Humps



### **Next Steps**

 Report Back to Parking and Traffic Safety Committee - March 4<sup>th</sup>

## **Questions and Comments**