

## **Neighborhood Traffic – September 2, 2016**

### Summer 2016 Transportation Survey Summary

- Survey was open for response from 5/17/2016 – 6/15/2016
- 32 respondents total
- Top neighborhood concerns
  - Speeding drivers using our streets to cut through (62.5%)
  - Neglected infrastructure: poorly paved streets (50%)
  - Neglected infrastructure: unsafe sidewalks (34.38%)
  - Unsafe driver behavior at the unregulated Federal Avenue East and Miller intersection (21.88%)
  - Parking availability after 6 pm (21.88%)
  - Parking availability during the day (28.13%)
- 67% of respondents support Vision Zero goal of lower speed limits for neighborhood streets
- 40% of respondents support development of a greenway on Federal Avenue East; 37% of respondents neutral toward idea; 21% of respondents opposed
- Other concerns raised by neighbors
  - Support/interest in reopening 11<sup>th</sup> to 2 way traffic; also opposition to opening 11<sup>th</sup> to 2 way traffic
  - Lack of walkable amenities in immediate neighborhood
  - Dangerous curve on Boston between 14<sup>th</sup> Ave E and Everett Ave E
  - Cut through traffic on neighborhood streets and difficulty of accessing traffic calming resources through the City of Seattle
  - Interest in closure of E Interlaken Blvd where it intersects with Interlaken Drive East to the first driveway
  - Car prowls and deterrent/enforcement presence of police
  - More enforcement for no parking w/in 30 feet of intersections rule
  - Concerns with impacts of Seattle Prep drop off/pick up/events parking and traffic behavior
- Proposed actions based on survey responses
  - Letter to Mayor and DOT in favor of implementation of 20 MPH limit for neighborhood streets (seek support from Prep and Bertschi re same?)
  - Neighborhood meeting with Seattle Greenways – leading to potential development of a neighborhood greenways group
  - Seek partnership with Seattle Prep regarding some traffic calming/traffic courtesy interventions
    - Red painting the no park zone at 30 ft to intersection
    - Red paint neighborhood driveways to prevent blocking
    - Sponsor a “Find it, Fix it” walk with neighbors and city representatives to generate awareness and action regarding infrastructure needs
    - Signage at transition from arterials to denote 20 MPH neighborhood speed limit
    - Partnership on appropriate regulation for Federal Avenue East and Miller Ave intersection
    - Partnership on improvements to safety of crosswalk at Delmar

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- Seek partnership with Prep and Berstchi regarding other neighborhood traffic calming efforts (e.g., traffic circles or other as appropriate) to make cut through driving less attractive

**Feedback re 520 survey**

- Some data from recent neighborhood survey is responsive to these questions; is repetition productive
- Other answer scales are available that may provide more useful data in response
- Define terms “Olmstead standards” so that people can make informed choice and input
- Street parking: suggest using data from recent survey or posing question with forced prioritization or ranked response as there are many competing public goods for valuable street space
- Suggest broadening the traffic calming ask as neighborhood data reflects more intersections of concern; also WSDOT and SDOT are obliged to complete neighborhood traffic mitigation survey and effort: better to seek more opportunity for transparency and participation in that effort so that comprehensive traffic calming action can be considered