

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA Transportation & Environmental Services

Public Hearing and Consideration of an Appeal of the Traffic and Parking Board's July 22, 2024 Decision

Recommending Roadway Safety Design Changes on Eisenhower Avenue between South Van Dorn Street and Holmes Run Trail.





Project Location



Eisenhower Avenue Station 🕦





Background & Context

Issues Identified

High Vehicle Speeds



Limited Access to Transit









Limited Ped/Bike Facilities



Congestion at South Van Dorn Street

Small Area Plan Preferred Cross-Section



Concept Design *Eisenhower Avenue & South Van Dorn Street*

- Relocate left-turns through Metro Road/Van Dorn Street interchange
 - Time for left turns can be repurposed for heavier movements
- Install sidewalk on south side of Eisenhower + two-way bicycle/scooter lane on the north side of Eisenhower
- Overall intersection delay at Van Dorn decreases from >1 minute to ~35 seconds
- Overall intersection delay at Metro Road remains <30 seconds





Concept Design: Metro Road to Holmes Run Trail









Traffic Summary

><10,000 vehicles per day

- > Corridor operates under capacity; no noticeable delay or queuing expected
- \geq Intersection operations expected to improve significantly at South Van Dorn Street







Community Feedback

Multiple public comment periods plus stakeholder group engagement

400+ responses to online feedback form

 Top reported issue was vehicle speed

Organization letters of support

% Supportive or Neutral

79%

79%

74%

Proposed Treatment

Relocate left turns to Metro Road

Sidewalk on Eisenhower Avenue to Van Dorn Metro

Two-way protected bike/scooter lane on Eisenhower



Appeal Petition

Request from 37 households to appeal the Traffic & Parking Board's July 22 recommendations for Eisenhower Avenue

Primary concerns related to traffic congestion and impacts to Metro Road



Metro Road

Would operate at ~13% of its capacity

 Assumes additional 400-600 peak hour vehicle trips

Potential for improvements via Metro Road repaving project

- Narrow roadway to reduce speeds
- Provide buffer next to Summers Grove neighborhood to improve sightlines
- Reduce crossing distance for existing signalized crosswalk



EISENHOWER AVE



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Staff Recommendation:

- That City Council Concur with the Traffic & Parking Board's recommendations for Eisenhower Avenue;
- Deny the appeal.

