# TRAFFIC CALMING



### City of Spokane Spring 2022

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**



## **Project Goal**

To make our city neighborhoods more livable and safe for all users.

**Meeting Goal** Understanding of the new Traffic **Calming Process** and 10-year community vision.



### **GROUND RULES**

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### **ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Community Members**

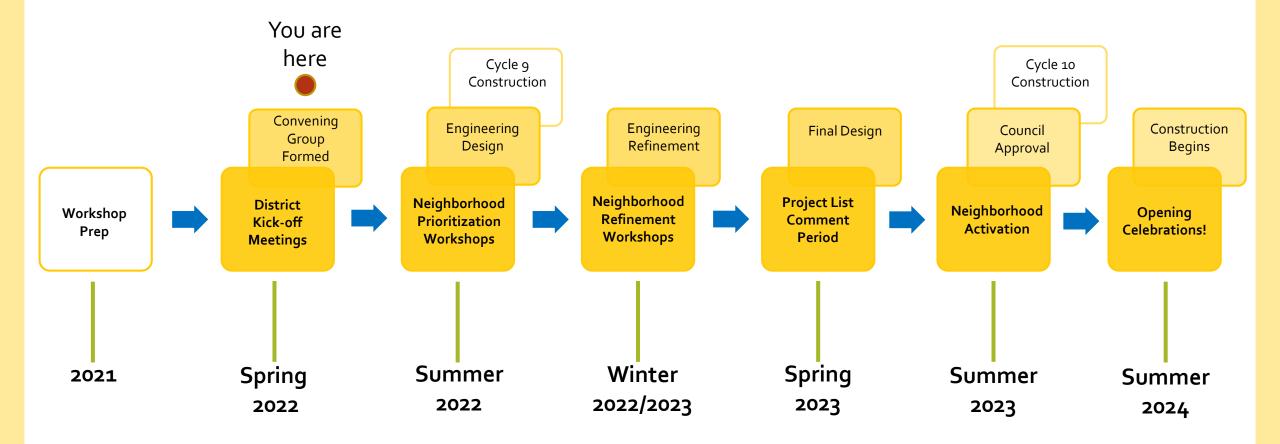
### **Convening Group**

### City Staff

#### Facilitators



### **Traffic Calming Timeline Program Roll-Out**



# PROJECT BACKGROUND



# What is Traffic Calming?

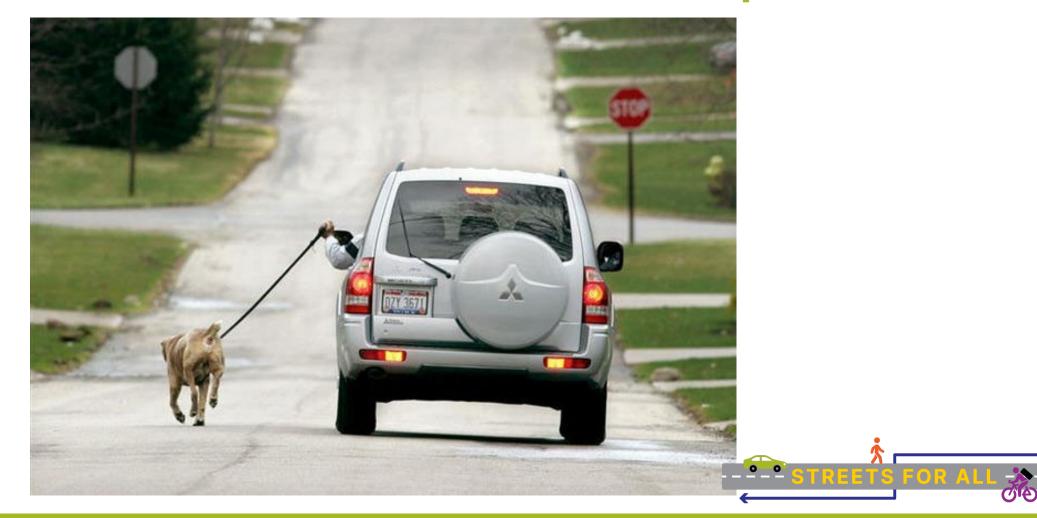
Any intervention on the roads or in the public right-of-way that will keep people safer and make neighborhoods more livable.

> Engineering, Education, Enforcement





# The way we design and build our communities has enormous consequences



# Why is Traffic Calming important?

- >Advances equity
- >Environmental sustainability
- >Smart growth
- >Economic competitiveness
- Livable neighborhoods
- Collaboration
- >Health and safety



There is a price/value premium for walkable places

# **Traffic Calming Background**

>Began in 2010

Program challenges prompt reforms

>New program designed in 2021



# **Traffic Calming Today**

Projects in every neighborhood
School and neighborhood collaboration

Program expansion



# **Traffic Calming Future**

This community is growing and changing and solutions need to evolve to address changing traffic patterns. We would like to find solutions with your help that grow to meet those challenges.



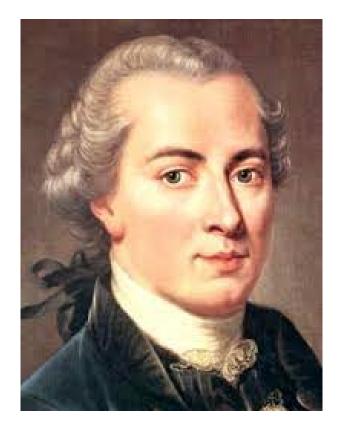
# **Traffic Calming Future?**

- ✓ What you share today!
- Pedestrian and bicycle improvements
- ✓ Street activation
- Right-of-way improvements
- Community building
- Greater community and government collaboration



"The best way to predict the future is to invent it."

- Immanuel Kant





# EXAMPLE PROJECTS



### What Is Possible?

Mural by colleen Smith Photo by Greg Raisman



Seattle



Portland



Montreal, Canada

Shared pedestrian street







Bogota, Columbia



New Dehli, India

Photo by Lakeview Chamber of Commerce



#### No single tool will solve all traffic issues!

# Past examples?

- Landscaping
- On Street Parking
- Speed Display Board
- Signage
- Marked Crosswalk
- Infill sidewalk
- HAWK/RRFB lights
- Traffic Island/Median
- Traffic Circles
- Elevated crosswalk



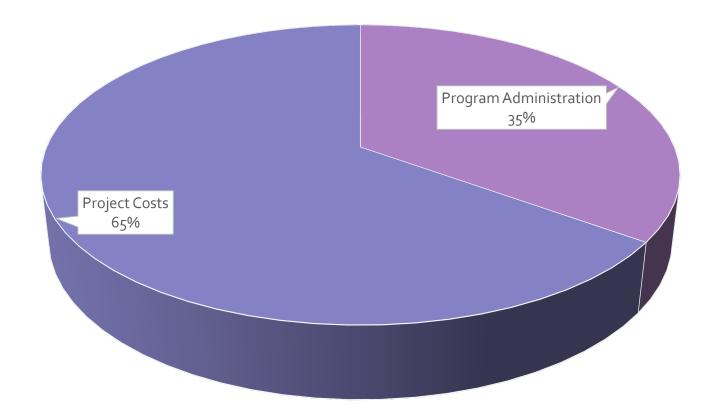






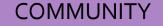
# Funding

Projected annual revenue is approximately \$7 million





### Who Will Make Decisions?



#### ENGINEERING

#### ACCOUNTING

#### **CITY COUNCIL**



# **Clarifying Questions?**



# **GROUP WORK**



# **Visioning Criteria**

• What do you love about your community?

•What challenges do you want to address and solve?

•New aspects you'd like to see become part of your community?



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## **Group Work**

Imagine what you would like your neighborhood to be like in 8-10 years?



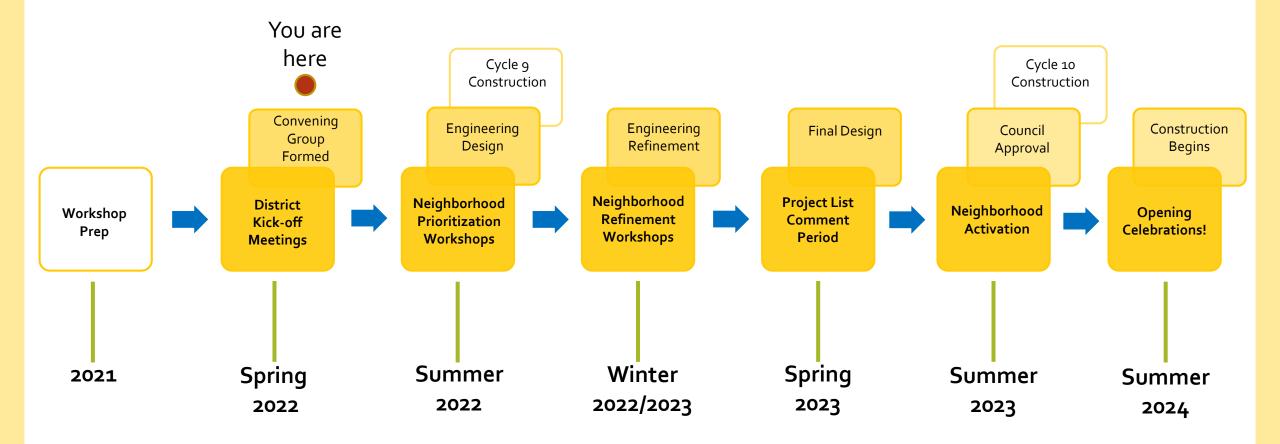
Large Group Work

Common themes Conflicting ideas Guiding values





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### **Updates**



WEBSITE https://my.spokanecity.org /neighborhoods/programs /traffic-calming



FACEBOOK https://www.facebook.com/spokanecity https://www.facebook.com/spokanecitycouncil

See you at the next meeting!



# **QUESTIONS?**



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