

Boulder Pointe Traffic Calming Petition

City Council

December 6, 2022





Petition Purpose

- Staff received a petition on 11/15/22 requesting: *“City Council direct staff to continue working with residents to develop an expanded system of traffic calming features in Boulder Pointe.”*



Background

- Speed concerns have been an ongoing issue along University Ave since 2007 when the first traffic data collection was performed.
- The speed concerns along University Ave predates the opening of the Woody Way Gate, which was removed in April 2020.
- Transportation Commission and City Council have directed staff to design traffic calming measures along University Ave to reduce speeding.



Highland Mesa



- Eight traffic data collections were performed along Highland Mesa between April 2019 and May 2021, and none of those collections warranted traffic mitigation according to the Residential Traffic Management Guide.



Public Meetings

- There have been **eight public meetings** concerning Boulder Pointe traffic calming:
 1. December 4, 2019 – Woody Way gate introduction.
 2. February 5, 2020 – Woody Way gate ‘before’ speed and volumes, University Ave identified for speed concern.
 3. October 7, 2020 – University Ave traffic calming options.
 4. December 2, 2020 – Medians selected for trial run on University Ave.
 5. June 2, 2021 – Trail median plans shown to Transportation Commission (TC).
 6. October 6, 2021 – Speed/Volume results of the medians shown to TC, medians disapproved due to perceived small speed reduction and bike lane loss.
 7. December 1, 2021 – New traffic circle design selected.
 8. June 1, 2022 – Speed/Volume results of the traffic circles shown to TC, **approved by TC.**



Appeal Process



- According to the current Residential Traffic Management Guide, appeals concerning any traffic calming projects must be submitted to the Traffic Engineer within 10 days of the decision made.
- No appeal was made within the 10-day window after the June 1st, 2022 Transportation Commission meeting when the circles were approved.
- Staff has hired a consultant to design the traffic calming measures, design is ongoing.



Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends continuing with the current design.
- The speeding poses a safety concern on University Ave according to the Residential Traffic Management Guide, and the proposed calming strategy has been proven effective through multiple trials.
- The design will be brought to the Transportation Commission for feedback in February.