

Summary of BeHeard Comments in relation to Interested Parties Meeting #2

ewobbel – Need signalized crosswalks at Towne Drive

The Improve I70 project will close Clark Lane at Paris Road and direct traffic via Towne Drive and Whitegate to Paris Road. This will make the Towne Drive /Whitegate intersection unsafe for pedestrians. There are currently three sidewalks at this intersection with a small gap at Regions Bank/Western Union. All four corners see pedestrian travel. Cars will often ignore striped crosswalks. Therefore, signalized crosswalks at all four legs of the Towne Drive intersection need to be provided.

Ali

I live on Hendrix Drive and I agree with adding speed humps on Whitegate Drive. My only concern is that traffic will cut through Hendrix and or Sylvan Lane from Clark Lane to avoid Whitegate Drive. LOTS of children live on these streets - perhaps we need calming efforts on both those streets (Hendrix Drive & Sylvan Lane) too. Thank you for asking.

CB

I live on Whitegate and wholeheartedly agree with adding the speed humps.

I believe adding the bumps will improve the safety of the area, especially since there are no sidewalks east of Sylvan and lots of families living in the area. I also think adding sidewalks would be extremely beneficial, and should be addressed in the near future as well.

Mitch Bethune – Neighborhood safety

I live on whitegate. It seems however that lately the road has turned into a speedway for those who see the long road as an inconvenience to drive the limit. With the many families with kids that play, ride bikes, walk their dogs, and walk to the school bus it is extremely dangerous for them. Our sons car was sideswiped a few months ago. Sidewalks would be helpful, speedbumps, children at play signs, and even a larger sign that this road dead ends bc people can't figure that out. I don't feel like waiting for someone to get hit on the road, I would rather take precautions sooner than that.

hbikes – Helpful with addition of nearby park, pedestrian, bikes/mopeds.

I drove a moped through this area daily on a 49cc scooter and speedbumps would be a great addition to slow cars down. This would lessen my worry about cars speeding by me on the "open road" feel that this currently has due to its length with no stop signs or slowing features currently.



Jacob Ray <jacob.ray@como.gov>

Fwd: [PubW]: whitegate drive traffic calming

1 message

John Ogan <John.Ogan@como.gov>
To: Jacob Ray <Jacob.Ray@como.gov>

Mon, Jun 8, 2026 at 9:35 AM

Jacob,

I found another resident feedback email on Whitegate--it had initially gone into the Spam folder. Please see below.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Sandra** <sutterback14@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2026 at 6:51 PM

Subject: [PubW]: whitegate drive traffic calming

To: <pubw@como.gov>

speed bumps are not needed on our street. I have seen the result of speed bumps on my drive home through E Walnut st. five days a week. The only ones that slow down are those on bikes. The ones driving big cars and trucks will drive the speed they want to go. I drive a moped. I will have people either speed up so they can get ahead of me on the road or pass me by speeding.

I know some people at the meeting brought up the neighborhood kids "safety" i'm pretty sure that they are just using that as an excuse to punish people driving on their street. Kids have been part of this street for decades. None of those accidents involved on our street involved them. If they really want the kids to be safe they should bring up the fact that sidewalks are really needed. I feel that we should wait until the city completes their construction and do another look to see if we still need the calming. Until then i feel it would be a complete wast of time, money and manpower.

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Jacob Ray <jacob.ray@como.gov>

Fwd: [PubW]: Whitegate Drive traffic calming

1 message

John Ogan <John.Ogan@como.gov>
To: Jacob Ray <Jacob.Ray@como.gov>

Sun, Jun 7, 2026 at 4:10 PM

Jacob,
Here is some resident feedback regarding Whitegate Drive for you to consider. Thank you.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Ricky Utterback** <rutterback@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2026 at 6:41 PM
Subject: [PubW]: Whitegate Drive traffic calming
To: <PubW@como.gov>

Hello! As a resident living on Whitegate, I'll give you a clear answer as to whether or not we need a speed bump here. NO. It will not fix the issue of bad drivers. You know what will? If the police actually enforced traffic laws (WHICH YOU NEED TO GET THOSE BASTARDS TO DO AT SOME POINT), which will make the entire city safer, and if there were actual quality sidewalks (which is a better physical means of slowing drivers, as they're more cautious when they have less space.) If anything, speed bumps may make the road MORE DANGEROUS, the kinds of bad drivers that will drive too fast are also the kinds of morons who will slow to a crawl to pass over a speed bump, and that unpredictable behavior is incredibly dangerous. I think the city could be using its resources more effectively in different areas, like putting down more roundabouts! Those are good, and I will support those!

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Public Comment Form Whitegate Drive Traffic Calming Project

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Feedback will be accepted through June 10, 2026. Comments may be submitted using this form or online at BeHeard.CoMo.gov/Whitegate-Drive-traffic-calming. Thank you for sharing your input.

Comments:

- ① I suggest a "roundabout" at Whitegate and TOWNE DR rather than a proposed light signal
- ② Prefer the west end of Whitegate be renamed "Clark Lane" west of TOWNE DR. Further suggest that TOWNE DR South of Whitegate be renamed to CLARK LANE.
- ③ possibility of Herford be named Clark Lane to Herford makes sense to me too
- ⑤ If a traffic signal is installed at Whitegate and CLARK Lane then driveways serving 2100-02 Whitegate will become dysfunctional during peak hours of major office bldg employer

*The personal information request below is not required and could be made available to the public.

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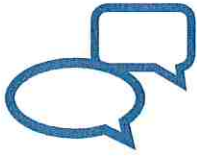
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Comments:

I-70 is not going to change the traffic on
Whitegate/Lambuth Dr. Round about at
Whitegate + Towne Drive good idea Put in
speed bump. The plan is good, need to proceed.
Keep the children safe.

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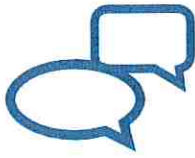
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Comments:

I THINK THIS PROPOSAL IS WONDERFUL
AND MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD MUCH SAFER
FOR THE KIDS

**The personal information request below is not required and could be made available to the public.*

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