## Public Comment Form

## Audubon Drive and Shepard Boulevard Traffic Calming

We would appreciate hearing your thoughts about this project. Please write legibly, include your complete mailing address, and sign your comment form.

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We are accepting comments until Jan. Z, 2021. Thank you for your input!
Comments:
I understand the concerns and support traffic calming measures including vertical shifts and horizontal structures.
I do not support additional stop signs or lowering of speed limits as these have been shown NOT to slow traffic.
I also support the addition of sidewalks to increase safety as needed.

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## Fwd: [PubW]: Audubon Drive and Shepard

4 messages
Dana Sample [Dana.Sample@como.gov](mailto:Dana.Sample@como.gov)
Thu, Nov 18, 2021 at 7:54 AM
To: Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
Hi Andrew,
Please see comments below regarding Audubon and Shepard.
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From: Meredith Becklenberg [merebooth@hotmail.com](mailto:merebooth@hotmail.com)
Date: Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 5:57 PM
Subject: [PubW]: Audubon Drive and Shepard
To: pubw@como.gov [pubw@como.gov](mailto:pubw@como.gov)

I am hoping to attend the meeting at city hall, but prior to any "traffic calming" is installed I would like to hear about what other strategies have been done. Here are things that I have noticed as I drive on both these roads daily.

## Audubon

1 speed limit sign, it is leaning over and turned away from the road.
Due to the location of the sign and the trees, you do not see the sign until you are right on top of it.
Can the trees be cut and or cleaned out?
Can the sign be fixed?
Maybe two signs should be installed on this road?

Shepard
1 speed limit sign when you come into neighborhood.
I have called the city once each year for the past two years, the school limit sign for 20 MPH is covered between Bob-O-Link and Pheasant Run.
No sidewalks for the walkers when they leave Shepard past Danforth.. many kids travel this road daily.. sidewalk needs to be installed
Crosswalk at Old 63 and Shepard, a flashing light needs to be installed like by Stephens Park, it is not safe for students leaving Shepard to cross Old 63.
There are many more pressing items that need to be addressed on these two roads before traffic calming, maybe the 30,000 can be put to use for those items.
Why are police not out giving tickets?
I look forward to your response to my issues above.

Thanks
Meredith
Sent from my iPhone

Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
Mon, Dec 13, 2021 at 9:05 AM
To: merebooth@hotmail.com

## Hi Meredith,

Thank you for reaching out to us regarding the Audubon Drive and Shepard Boulevard traffic calming project. I have created a work order to have our maintenance crew straighten the speed limit sign on Audubon so that it will face the roadway. I am also looking into providing better visibility to the school speed limit sign on Shepard.

The sidewalk on Shepard between Danforth and Old 63 has been identified as a need on the Master Sidewalk List. These projects are typically completed through our Capital Improvement Program which is funded through the 10 year capital improvements sales tax.

We are planning to install Rectangular Rapid-flashing Beacons (flashing yellow lights) at the Old 63 and Shepard crossing. We are currently designing the enhancements to this crossing now.

If you have any additional questions or concerns please let me know.
Thanks,
Andrew Briedwell, P.E.
Traffic Engineer
Public Works Department
City of Columbia - Missouri
(573) 874-7265
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## Meredith Becklenberg [merebooth@hotmail.com](mailto:merebooth@hotmail.com)

Mon, Dec 13, 2021 at 9:19 AM
To: Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
Thank you for getting back to me. It's wonderful to hear everything is in the works. I have one more concern, with the traffic calming that is being proposed, I am worried that drivers will use the side streets, Meadowlark, Falcon, Pheasant Run and Bob-O-Link instead of the main roads to avoid the speed bumps. The roads listed above do not have sidewalks or bicycle lanes to protect anyone walking or bicycling. Can you let me know what will be done to make sure this doesn't happen? Currently there is a lot of cut through traffic on Shepard and Audubon when traffic is backed up on Old 63 as well as parents dropping off at Shepard, they will use the side streets to avoid the speed bumps so that they can drive fast. I am hoping that if the speed bumps are put in that the avoiding the traffic calming will not be possible.

Thanks

## Meredith

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 13, 2021, at 9:07 AM, Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov) wrote
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Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
Wed, Dec 15, 2021 at 8:43 AM
To: Meredith Becklenberg [merebooth@hotmail.com](mailto:merebooth@hotmail.com)

## Meredith

Based on our past experience with traffic calming projects, I would not expect to see a significant increase in traffic on the side streets within the neighborhood. Just based on the roadway lengths, Meadow Lark to Bob-O-Link is $4 \%$ longer, and Meadow Lark to Falcon is $17 \%$ longer. Even with increased speeds on these roads, the travel time would be similar or longer. I would expect most cut through traffic to remain on the Audubon to Shepard route, or to be diverted to Stadium and Old 63. If a problem arises after calming is installed, we could address those issues at that time.

To prevent cut through traffic from using a street would require installing devices that would prevent turning movements, such as eliminating left turns onto or off of a street. While these would prevent cut through traffic, these devices would have a significant impact on local residents as these are the drivers using the street most often and we would need to have strong neighborhood support to implement those types of devices

Thanks,
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## Traffic on Audubon and Shepherd Blvd

1 message
Melissa Booth [melbellbooth@hotmail.com](mailto:melbellbooth@hotmail.com)
Wed, Dec 15, 2021 at 9:35 PM
To: "andrew.briedwell@como.gov" [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
Andrew, I have owned a home in Shepherd Neighborhood for 30. I am a past chair of our neighborhood group. We absolutely get cut through traffic from stadium and old 63. I appeared before city council when Stratford Chase development was in progress and one of the councilman stated that they had to admit that they cut through our neighborhood to avoid stop lights. I see cars from MFA and other businesses on the south side of Stadium cut through here speeding everyday. I have pulled in behind some and followed to see where the car went and it was old 63. We need sidewalks on Audubon on both sides of the street. We need sidewalks all the way on Shepherd Blvd. I have seen children go over to the bike path and then slip and fall on the ice. Get pedestrians off the street. Put up speed signs where drivers can see them. Put up more flashing speed light signs like the one 3 M paid for by the school. Speed bumps will only shift traffic to side streets where there are no sidewalks and of course no speed bumps. Speeding tickets, with fines, will control those that do not abide by speed limits in our neighborhood. Enforce the laws. Hire more police officers. This is an old problem and one that a few police officers present during rush hours will solve. I don't see how a couple of speed bumps will fix anything and will likely only shift the problem. You all tried narrowing the road once by meadowlark and Audubon and folks were getting in accidents at that intersection. I was almost hit head on there myself turning from Audubon to Meadow Lark.

Melissa Booth
1113 Falcon Drive
Columbia, MO 65202
573-238-2610
Sent from my iPhone

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## 2 messages

Dana Sample [Dana.Sample@como.gov](mailto:Dana.Sample@como.gov)
To: Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)

## Andrew,

Please see the Audubon Drive/Shepard Blvd comments below.
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From: Meredith Donaldson [mjdonlsn@gmail.com](mailto:mjdonlsn@gmail.com)
Date: Tue, Dec 14, 2021 at 6:48 PM
Subject: [PubW]: Public Comment Audubon Drive and Shepard Boulevard Traffic Calming
To: [Pubw@como.gov](mailto:Pubw@como.gov)

To: Andrew Briedwell
Public Works Department
City of Columbia
I support traffic calming being installed on Audubon Drive and Shepard Boulevard
However, I have concerns:

1. My concern is that removing the four-way stops - drivers not needing to stop at any intersection, will make Shepard a thoroughfare so there would need to be several speed bumps.
2. I am also very concerned that the changes to Shepard will increase traffic on Meadowlark and Falcon. While walking my dog, mornings and dinnertime, I frequently see cars traveling way over 25 mph on these streets.
3. Is there any way to retain the 4-way stop at Audubon and Shepard to insure people stop for children crossing for school and at other times to reach the park, basketball courts, and playing fields. Speed bumps should also be on

Meredith J. Donaldson
1001 Pheasant Run Dr.
Columbia, MO 65201
573-289-3018

Andrew Briedwell [andrew.briedwell@como.gov](mailto:andrew.briedwell@como.gov)
To: mjdonlsn@gmail.com
Hi Merideth,
We received your email with comments on the Audubon Drive and Shepard Boulevard traffic calming project. However, it appears your comments may have been cut off in the middle of number 3 on your list.

Thanks,
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## Comments:

I live on S. Azalea and do support installing traffic calming measures. Turning left from S. Azalea to Audubon (despite only a
yield sign posted) does require a full stop and much caution. I can confirm the observed $35-40 \mathrm{mph}$ average speed
on Aubudon, and that mixed with the limited sight distance to the left and right has resulted in close calls.
Traffic calming would improve the safety of that turning movement, and several other in the neighborhood.
Aditionally, traffic calming would improve pedestrian safety, with Shepard Elementary on Aubudon and painted
bycicle lanes on Shepard Blvd. that are often blocked by parked cars, forcing bicycles to use the roadway along with vehicles.
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| Dylan Hackman | dhr305@gmail.com |  |  |
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## traffic-calming comment on Shepard and Audubon streets

1 message
Jim Muench [jmuench@centurytel.net](mailto:jmuench@centurytel.net)
Tue, Dec 14, 2021 at 12:39 AM
To: Andrew.Briedwell@como.gov

## Dear Mr. Briedwell,

Thank you for your revealing presentation at the December 13 meeting. It is very encouraging that only 15 percent of drivers speed significantly on Audubon and Shepard streets. That means 85 percent of drivers are driving responsibly. It is also very encouraging that there were zero collisions recorded on Audubon and Shepard Streets. As it stands, the data indicates very little need for trafficcalming devices on those roadways in our neighborhood.

At the meeting, participants said our neighborhood is great for its walkability, and I would not want to do anything that might jeopardize that important feature. At least half of the people in the meeting were not supportive of traffic-calming devices, which makes sense since the vast majority of drivers apparently follow the speed limit pretty well.

My wife and I do not support traffic-calming devices in our neighborhood for the following reasons:

1. Shepard and Audubon are snow and school bus routes. Traffic-calming devices might hinder those important functions of the roads.
2. Vertical devices (speed bumps) damage cars and buses.
3. Vertical devices (speed bumps) damage bicycles and make bike-riding more dangerous.
4. Horizontal devices, which make streets narrower and curvier, produce dangerous driving conditions for automobiles and bicycles. Manor Drive in southwest Columbia is a great example of how dangerous they make a street. A driver takes their life in their hands when navigating it, often encountering cars head on. We don't want those types of devices in our neighborhood.
5. Traffic-calming devices on Audubon and Shepard will drive traffic onto the smaller bird streets (Meadowlark, Pheasant Run, Bobolink, and Falcon), which is counterproductive.
6. Traffic-calming devices are often expensive and waste money that would be better spent on other projects.

Our neighborhood association has observed people turning left from Queen Ann Drive and driving the wrong way on Shepard Blvd., which is clearly more dangerous behavior. Wouldn't it be more prudent to fix that problem?

Likewise, we have been asking for a green left-turn arrow from Audubon onto Stadium Blvd. for about 30 years. When drivers do not use their turn signals, they must take a chance that the driver coming from the opposite direction will not T-bone them as they turn. There have actually been accidents at that intersection, which school buses use daily. Rather than waste funds fixing a minimal problem that has resulted in zero accidents, why not spend the money on a project that might fix an intersection at which several accidents have occurred?
--Jim Muench
2711 Mallard Court
"Just because nobody complains doesn't mean all parachutes are perfect."
--Benny Hill
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## 1 message

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Thank you for accepting public comments regarding traffic calming devices on Shepard Blvd. and Audubon in the Eagle Park/Shepard neighborhood. I attended the meeting that was held early in December at the City Building and took part in the discussion. It was obvious that a minority of those attending the meeting were wanting big changes and willing to go overboard to fix the problems. I disagree and believe there are better alternatives.

In casual conversations over the past weeks, a number of my neighbors who read Sherry Wyatt's meeting summary are concerned about possible traffic calming devices. I would be very disappointed to have our beautiful Shepard Boulevard turn into something so ungracious with SPEED BUMPS! This would be an extreme answer to the problems expressed and to the excessive speeds of $15 \%$ of the drivers.

There was also talk of removing the stop sign on the Shepard intersection leaving the two stop signs for the side streets and ADDING an intersection "speed table". I cannot support that either. There are problems, but these inconveniences don't balance out the problems. Just today I saw someone run that stop sign going west. While he broke the law, it did not endanger the safety of anyone.

These streets have been here since the 1960s and these new problem has come up in recent years. So how do we cure the issues? I don't know how we educate the drivers coming to and through our subdivision, but that seems to be the issue...a small percentage of drivers are not following the speed limit law and some do not obey the stop sign. I suggest it is time to train these offenders and give them tickets.

Perhaps there is a way to calm the traffic at the corner of Shepard and Audubon with a middle of the street traffic sign....a miniature roundabout. I would support that giving Shepard School an additional slow down for when children are coming and going from school in cars and buses.

I would support a change of more effective/attention getting signs. It seems that painted crosswalks on Shepard/Danforth and perhaps Shepard/Bucks Run would give greater emphasis to the need to reduce speeds for pedestrians.

Thanks for your attention to these comments.


Audrey Spieler

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Columbia, MO, 65201
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Audrey@AudreySpieler.com

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1 live at the northwest corner of the Shepard/Audubon intersection. From my perspective, the greatest problems are drivers exceeding the speed limit on northbound Audubon between Stadium and Shepard and drivers not stopping at the four-way stop at the Shepard/Audubon intersection from any direction.

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$I$ have not seen or experienced problems with speeding on Shepard in any direction, but have seen and experienced drivers not stopping at the four-way stop at Shepard and Danforth.
At the meeting, Dec.13, you said that those raised surfaces aren't usually used at intersections with four-way stops. I understand that, but think the Shepard/Audubon intersection could be an exception to that, achally should be. It would force drivers to at least slow down at that intersection, and might encourage them to stop. 1 think traffic calming on Shepard would actually encourage east bound drivers to run the stop signat the Shepard/Avdubon intersection because they would be making up time deemed lost by slowing down because of traffic calming. I have seen many more near misses caused by drivers speeding north on Audubon and not stopping than I've seen on Shepard. I think he cause Pheasant Run, Bob.O.link, Falcon and Buckskin connect to Shepard, it deters speeding because those streets are in closer proximity to each other than fhestreets that feed onto Audubon (the A zoleas, Mallard, Cardinal), Stretford Chase and Meadowlark).

I really hope you hare staff that can literally watch the intersection of Shepard and Audubon during varioustions over a few days. At the meeting I and ed the problem is more prevalent during high volume Grafted Since the meting, live been more of servant its an al s day problem made worse during times of high volume traffic.

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