SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Greystone Drive (Valburn Drive - MoPac Expressway)



BACKGROUND

Austin Transportation and Public Works is working to improve safety and enhance the livability of Austin streets through context-appropriate speed reduction strategies. Reducing egregious speeding on all street levels decreases the likelihood of serious injury and fatal crashes and supports the City's Vision Zero goal.

Effective speed management is critical for creating streets that support safe and convenient travel by everyone whether they are in cars, on bicycles, walking or using assisted mobility devices.

This fact sheet is an update to the previous version from December 2022.

WHAT WE HEARD

There has been support and opposition to the City's original proposed speed management project. Here is a summary of feedback we've received on ways to improve the Greystone Drive speed management project:

- Number of rows of speed bumps seems excessive.
- Evaluate multi-way stop signs at West Rim Drive and Valburn Drive.
- Curve between Mesa Drive and Edgerock Drive has excessive speeding and is uncomfortable as a pedestrian.
- Desire for painted continental crosswalks and edgelines.

WHAT WE UPDATED

The City circled back with all feedback and came up with an updated proposed speed management plan. This updated plan aims to address feedback while still addressing the egregious speeds on Greystone Drive. The updated plan is outlined in the graphic and includes:

- Reducing the number of speed cushion rows from 15 to 9.
 - We focused on providing speed cushions in areas with lack of sidewalk and used maximum spacing from recommended transportation guidelines.
- Improving pedestrian crossings on Greystone Drive at Valburn Drive, West Rim Drive, Mesa Drive, Chimney Corners, and Hart Lane.
 - The improvements include adding painted high visibility continental crosswalks with shorter pedestrian crossing lengths.
- Curve improvements between Mesa Drive and Edgerock Drive.
 - This will be done through field investigation, but may include raised reflective pavement markers and edgeline striping.
- Multi-way stops at Valburn Drive and West Rim Drive are also being evaluated.
- Adding Dynamic Speed Display Devices (DSDDs) between Hart Lane and MoPac.

TIMELINE

Construction is expected to begin in late Summer 2023.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions or comments about these changes, email MobilityBonds@AustinTexas. gov or call 512-974-2300 to leave a message with your phone number for a call back.





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