

TO: Town Council, Town of Washington Grove

DATE: 13 October 2014

SUBJECT: Traffic Calming Committee Recommendations

The Traffic Calming Committee appreciates the opportunity to present to the Town Council our recommendations to improve pedestrian safety and access in town and along Washington Grove Lane. The committee is particularly concerned about the dangers to pedestrians posed by speeding and inattentive drivers along Washington Grove Lane. In addition, residents along the west side of Washington Grove Lane and on Daylily Lane have no pedestrian access point to town facilities, with the only existing crosswalk at Maple Lake largely inaccessible. To improve pedestrian safety along Washington Grove Lane, we propose:

- Requesting a greater police presence to enforce speed limits, gross vehicle weight, and cut-throughs on Grove and Chestnut Avenues;
- Adding crosswalks near Daylily Lane, Oak Street, and Railroad Street, and repainting the crosswalk at Maple Lake;
- Adding signage for Gross Vehicle Weight, reduced speed near crosswalks, pedestrian crossing signs at crosswalks (e.g. "Stop—It is the law"), private property at lake entrance, and a yellow blinking light or flashing pedestrian crossing sign at the Maple Lake crosswalk, as well as clearing brush from existing signs;
- Building a sidewalk on the west side of Washington Grove Lane; and
- Moving back the Metro bus stop at Maple Lake to avoid blocking crosswalk.