

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 1, 2008

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: BUDGET MEMO #130: TRAFFIC CALMING

The following is in response to an email message from Councilmember Lovain asking how much money is currently available for traffic calming, whether the City could construct all of the projects currently in design by the end of FY 2009, and how much they would cost.

As of FY 2008, there is \$500,000 of unallocated funding in the CIP traffic calming project which is to be docketed for allocation at the May 13th City Council meeting. Another \$945,000 is programmed in the proposed FY 2009 CIP for a total of \$1.45 million available through the end of FY 2009. If the add/delete reduction remains at \$300,000 as discussed in the preliminary add/delete work session, the proposed FY 2009 CIP would be reduced to \$645,000 leaving \$1.15 million available through the end of FY 2009. If the add/delete reduction is increased to \$500,000, the FY 2009 allocation would be reduced to \$445,000, leaving a total of \$950,000 available through the end of FY 2009.

There are seven projects currently under development which are far enough along to provide a cost estimate. The estimate for only these projects totals \$631,000. They are:

- North Pegram and Pickett Streets (\$85,000) – Construction of intersection improvements scheduled for late spring 2008
- Prescott Development Traffic Calming at Fayette and Oronoco Streets and Fayette and Queen Streets (\$110,000) – Currently being designed with construction scheduled for late spring/summer 2008
- East Braddock Rd. final section of traffic calming (\$30,000) – Spring 2008

- East Glebe Rd. Traffic Circle at Montrose and Ashby (\$280,000 - \$330,000) – Currently under design
- Mt Vernon and Adams lighted pedestrian crosswalk and bump-outs (\$20,000 - \$30,000) – Construction summer of 2008
- Janney's Lane upgrade of curbing to asphalt (\$6,000) – Underway
- Martha Custis Dr. bus stop, pedestrian access improvements and crosswalks (\$30,000 - \$40,000) – Design in spring of 2008

These estimates are based on calendar year 2008 construction costs and provided by staff at varying stages of project development.

There are several other projects that are smaller in nature or are in 2008-2009 development phases which are not far enough along in design to provide a cost estimate. These projects include:

- West Monroe Avenue- Commonwealth to Russell
- Monticello Boulevard- Russell Road to Cameron Mills Road
- Cameron Mills Road- Virginia Avenue to Summit Avenue
- Windsor Avenue- Russell Road to Braddock Road
- Whiting Street
- Russell Road (approx 3000 block)
- East Monroe Avenue between Rte. 1 and Mt. Vernon Avenue
- Cameron Station Boulevard
- Osage Street

ince the program's inception, over 40 projects have been constructed. Each project varies in size and scope from speed cushions, to major sidewalk and roadway projects. Project costs can range from \$20,000 for smaller projects to over \$300,000 on some of the larger projects like the recently completed East Braddock sidewalk.