

## CITY OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

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August 7, 2020

RE: Traffic Calming on Fernwood Avenue (Packard to Lorraine): Results of Final Polling

Dear Resident or Property Owner,

Thank you for your interest in Traffic Calming on Fernwood Avenue. Following an initial questionnaire, orientation meeting #1, and meeting #2, a final poll was conducted to determine support for traffic calming within the project area.

The program requirements specify that, "greater than 50% of returned final polls must indicate support ('yes') for the final plan". The results have been officially tallied and **the project** <u>has</u> **received enough support to move forward**. Final poll results are as follows:

- 120 Addresses in project area
- 28 Final poll responses received
- 22 Final polls supporting the final plan
- 79% Percent of final polls received support the final plan as shown.

This project has met the required criteria to be considered for construction at these upcoming, electronic, public meetings; public comment opportunities are available:

- Wednesday, August 19 Transportation Commission to consider a recommendation; details: <u>a2qov.org/TransportationCommission</u>
- Monday, September 21 City Council to consider a resolution for construction approval; details: <u>a2gov.org</u>

If approved by City Council, construction is tentatively planned to be completed during the 2020-2021 construction season. The outcome of the Transportation Commission and City Council meetings will be posted on the project website, <u>a2gov.org/TCFernwood</u>.

We have enjoyed working with the Fernwood Avenue neighborhood and appreciate your involvement in the Traffic Calming Program. If you have any questions, please contact a team member at 734-794-6410 or by email at TrafficCalming@a2gov.org.

Best regards,

Your Traffic Calming Team

C: Andrea Wright, Program Facilitator Cyrus Naheedy, Transportation Engineer Eli Cooper, Transportation Planner

All persons are encouraged to participate in public meetings. Accommodations, including sign language interpreters, may be arranged by contacting the City Clerk's office at 734.794.6140; via email to: cityclerk@a2gov.org; or by written request addressed and mailed or delivered to: City Clerk's Office 301 E. Huron St. Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Requests made with less than two business days notice may not be able to be accommodated.

## Fernwood Avenue (Lorraine Street – Packard Road) Traffic Calming **Final Poll Response Summary**

Project area addresses: 120 Questionnaire responses received: 28

This summary is a direct transcription of the Final Poll results and comments. Do you support the proposed plan, as presented in the 'Final Plan'? YES, I support the entire proposed plan, as presented in the 'Final Plan' 22 NO, I do not support the 'Final Plan' 6 Not indicated 0 **Comments received:** Dislike device 5 and change on #3 Traffic way too fast! Yes! Calming! A driver blew right through the light today at Fernwood and Packard going NB on Fernwood. These barriers to slow traffic are definitely needed in this School zoned neighborhood. This Traffic Calming Scheme will keep safe both pedestrian and vehicles and driving thru Fernwood Avenue (Packard – Lorraine) Thank you for all of the team's hard work! I believe that this will help slow down vehicles coming down our street. Disappointed that the residents wouldn't approve our only option for traffic calming along the curve at the North end, but the final proposal is the second best option. I look forward to calmer traffic, thank you for your help, team! Wonderful work :) I don't think we need a crosswalk or median island ! Thank you. The only part of this plan that I cannot support is Device 5-Median Island, for 2 reasons. 1-Device 5 is an obstacle that could potentially cause automobile damage if hit. 2-Device 5 will also impede a smooth traffic flow and cause even more traffic backup at the stoplight for traffic turning right and left/straight from Fernwood. Put them in this year please. I live at the Creekwood Condominium Complex at the SE corner of Fernwood and Packard. I oppose the Fernwood traffic calming plan specifically because I oppose the median island (Device #5). I believe the island will create a bottleneck at the intersection of Fernwood and Packard for those going north on Fernwood toward the intersection, especially during the morning and late afternoon rush hour. It will create significant problems for cars turning north both from the condo complex on the SE corner of the intersection and from the apartment complex across the street, on the SW corner of Fernwood and Packard, where, as it is, utility trucks tend to congregate to service the two utility boxes that are situated there (it may be that the utility trucks must park right next to the utility boxes in order to service them with equipment on the trucks). I fear the island will make it difficult to negotiate the turn north onto Fernwood, especially when traffic is heavier, when the utility trucks are present and/or when Fernwood is covered with ice and snow. Already now, when only the outline of the island is present, I find myself having to make a bit of a "slaloming" maneuver to turn right from

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Thanks to everyone, A2 staff and Fernwood neighbors, for making this happen.

the complex onto Fernwood.