



Bluefield Avenue Traffic Calming – Final Summary

Permanent Solution Announced

After more than two years of dedicated work by the Traffic Calming Committee, Bluefield Avenue will soon see its permanent traffic calming solution. Councilman Jeff Gregg recently confirmed that sidewalks have been fast-tracked for Bluefield Avenue.

“Due to the proximity of Bluefield Avenue to the new WeGo Park and Ride lot, the installation is now on the high-priority list for CHYM (Choose How You Move). Estimated timeline: 2–3 years. ADA-compliant crosswalks will be installed at the same time.”

The investment, estimated at **\$1.3 million**—will bring sidewalks, gutters, & drainage, upgrading Bluefield Ave into a safer street with calmer traffic and a walkable streetscape.

Traffic Calming Phases

Phase I – Non-Vertical Traffic Calming (Estimated Implementation 6–12 months)

- Painted Art Crosswalks (Known as “Tactical Urbanism” with local artwork voted on by neighbors)
- Road Painted Signs – Additional NDOT “Slow Down” or speed limit signs at selected sections along Bluefield Avenue.
- Electronic Traffic Calming Feedback Signs that show your speed.
- Stop Sign at Bluefield Avenue & Cumberland Circle *

* NDOT determined the intersection does not meet the standards for a stop sign. However, Council Member Gregg can submit the request to the Traffic Calming Commission. Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting & voice support, and the Commission’s vote will ultimately decide whether the stop sign is approved.

Phase II – Sidewalk Installation (Estimated Implementation 2–3 years)

Sidewalks connecting Lebanon Pike and Donelson Pike. More details will be shared as NDOT and vendors confirm schedules.

Phase III – ADA-Compliant Crosswalks

Three ADA crosswalks with vertical “Yield to Pedestrian” signs centered at crosswalks will be installed in the triangular sections along Bluefield Avenue, aligned with the final Traffic Calming Plan. Installation is expected to coincide with the completion of the sidewalks. *

*Neighborhood information sessions will be scheduled as the Sidewalk Installation approaches.



Thank You, Councilman Gregg

From the very first Zoom meeting with the NDOT Traffic Solutions Vendor more than two years ago, Councilman Gregg has been a driving force in this process. His commitment—attending meetings, providing updates, and ensuring neighbors' voices were heard—has been instrumental. We also thank NDOT Director Diana Alacorn for her engagement.

The Bluefield Neighborhood Association sincerely thanks Councilman Gregg for his leadership, dedication, and advocacy. We look forward to his continued involvement, including at our 2029 Centennial Celebration, when we hope to showcase a Bluefield Avenue streetscape as grand as our neighborhood.

Thank You, Traffic Chair Gary Conn

Elected at the first traffic meeting at Sunshine Bakery in March 2023, Gary has devoted countless hours to researching and advancing solutions. Over the past two and a half years, he has:

- Organized and/or participated in five public meetings with NDOT, Councilman Gregg, and neighbors.
- Invested over 100 hours in research, field testing, and design work.
- Explored options from radar signs to roundabouts before presenting the third Traffic Calming Plan that ultimately set the stage for sidewalks and ADA crosswalks.

Gary's persistence and thoughtful design work were pivotal in securing a permanent solution for Bluefield Avenue. The neighborhood owes him deep gratitude for his leadership and contribution.

Closing Note

On behalf of the Bluefield Neighborhood Association and the Traffic Calming Committee—thank you to everyone who contributed to this effort. Together, we are making Bluefield Avenue a safer street with calmer traffic, greater walkability, and a neighborhood ready for the future.