



Mayor Suzanne LaFrance

May 4th, 2026

RE: Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program Annual Update

TO: Mayor LaFrance, Anchorage Assembly Members, State Legislators, and Anchorage Community Councils:

The Traffic Engineering Department is pleased to provide the Anchorage representatives with the annual update of the Municipality's Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program:

Traffic Calming Projects Being Constructed This Summer:

- Areawide Traffic Calming treatments: Price St, Peck Ave, E 10th Ave, and E 64th Ave.
 - 13 speed hump/cushion devices, signage, and striping.
- Speed feedback signs and ped improvements on Arctic Blvd – North Star CC area.
 - 9 ADA curb ramps, crosswalk, and traffic calming improvements.
- Northwood Elementary areawide traffic calming – Spenard CC Area.
 - 7 speed hump/cushions on 45th- 48th Ave and raised intersection upgrades.

Temporary Speed Feedback Sign program expansion – The Department double its fleet of battery power temporary speed feedback signs and purchased 15 additional signs for immediate implementation this summer. Signs will be placed on treatment-appropriate streets that have been qualified and are awaiting projects.

2026 Updated Qualified and Culled Streets List and new interactive GIS map:

- Program's Qualified Streets List is split into two tables:
 - Streets with associated projects - recently constructed, in construction, or in design.
 - Qualified streets awaiting funding for project design and construction.
- Culled Streets List – streets that have been studied and did not meet the criteria to qualify for a traffic calming project. Culled streets are eligible for reevaluation after three years.
- New Traffic Calming GIS Map – Listed streets and their speed study data can now be easily viewed on an interactive GIS map located.

Updated lists, GIS map, and more project information can be found on the [Program's Webpage](#).

General Program Information:

Qualifying Streets – Each year, based primarily on community requests and concerns, the Traffic Department conducts field-measured speed studies on streets across the municipality. The two criteria must be met for streets to be eligible for program assistance funding:

- An 85th percentile vehicle speed of 6 mph or more over the posted speed limit.
- An Average Daily Traffic (ADT) volume of 500 vehicles or higher.

Project Selection – Streets from the qualified list are analyzed, scoped for appropriate treatments, and selected for project design and development for later construction funding, as available. The Traffic Engineering Department uses the engineering process and MOA Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy Manual to determine the optimal design for each street on this list.

The Traffic Department has included a column in the qualified streets list ranking each street's severity of need. The rank is based on objective measures to assist in weighing the relative merit of competing projects across the entire Municipality. Scoring considers vehicle speed analysis, volumes, school zones, land use, equity, existing non-motorized facilities, street lighting, and vehicle crash history.

Community Input – Along with this annual update, Community Councils are notified about design and project updates on streets in their area and asked to weigh in. It is anticipated that each Community Council will rank traffic calming projects against one another and against other Capital Improvement Priorities for their area.

Concerns about speeding motorists and requests for speed studies are received year-round by the Traffic Department. The list of speed studies to be conducted that summer is compiled in April and sent to our Data team. Community Councils are encouraged to remind their members of the program and forward concerns to us. The Traffic Engineering Department will be available to present program information upon request and assist Community Councils in prioritizing their areas' projects; however, it is expected that the Councils will take the lead role as they are in a better position to assess the desires of the community.

Project Funding – It is important to note that the Traffic Engineering Department is tasked with addressing neighborhood safety and livability concerns associated with high rates of driver speeding on streets throughout the municipality. The program implements proven, low-maintenance, and cost-effective treatments. However, limited annual funding means only a portion of qualifying streets can be treated each year. External funding opportunities, including State grants obtained by Community Councils, have accelerated project delivery of qualified streets. For example, the Northeast and Russian Jack Community Councils each secured \$500,000 in State of Alaska grant funding, allowing the Municipality to deliver traffic calming improvements beyond what bond funding alone would support.

Please feel free to contact our traffic calming coordinator, [Donovan Camp](#), with any comments, questions, or concerns.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donovan Camp for Kristen A. Langley".

Kristen Langley
Associate Traffic Engineer / MOA Traffic Safety Manager

cc:

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