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The Dunbar/Spring Neighborhood Association voted to support applying for the Safe Streets Mini-Grant to fund three proposed traffic circles at our 12/15/2025 meeting. We strongly encourage those reviewing the grant application to approve of funding this important infrastructure that is supported by an overwhelming majority of neighbors.

The proposed traffic circles are intended to reduce speeding along east-west streets that experience a lot of cut-through traffic day and night between Stone Ave and Main Ave – especially when trains block the railroad crossing at Main Avenue between 5th Street and University Blvd, and when south-bound traffic on Stone Ave backs up multiple blocks behind a red light at Downtown Links. Additionally, the proposed traffic circles will reduce speeding along north-south streets.

As per the City of Tucson's process to request traffic calming, neighbors Brad Lancaster and Brendan Sullivan Shea met with Jesse Soto of the City of Tucson transportation department to discuss three water-harvesting traffic circles at the intersections of 10th Ave and 5th St; 11th Ave and 4th St; and 11th Ave and 2nd St. Jesse Soto then drew up maps for the proposed traffic circle strategies and highlighted which properties within a block of each one would need to be approached to see if they would be willing to sign their approval.

A minimum of 60% of the residents or owners of the highlighted properties need to sign their approval for the process to move to the next stage (only one signature per property is collected/counted).

Below are the maps of the proposed traffic calming (and the highlighted properties that were approached, along with the percentage that signed their approval). Neighbors Brendan Sullivan Shea, Michael Collins, Dominic Oldershaw, Brad Lancaster, and I went door to door to the highlighted properties with the petitions.

Please note that all sites were bluestaked to mark their underground utilities showing no conflict, and the sites were toured and approved for water-harvesting traffic circles by Department of Transportation landscape architect David Marhefka on 1-24-2025

**One (1) Approved Traffic Circle
on W. 2nd St and N. 11th Av.**



 = Approved Traffic Circle Locations

60% Signatures are required from the yellow highlighted areas.

Signatures of approval have been secured for **92%** of the yellow highlighted properties for the **traffic circle on 11th Ave and 2nd Street**

The City of Tucson – per Jesse Soto, Senior Project Manager of the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) – approved this traffic circle location 6-2-2025

**One (1) Proposed Traffic Circle on
W. 4th St. and N. 11th Av.**



 = Proposed Traffic Circle Locations

60% Signatures are required from the yellow highlighted areas.

Signatures of approval have been secured for **84%** of the yellow highlighted properties for the **traffic circle on 11th Ave and 4th Street**

All underground utilities were marked by bluestake showing no conflict, and the site was toured and approved for a traffic circle by Department of Transportation landscape architect David Marhefka on 1-24-2025

One (1) Proposed Traffic Circle on
W. 5th St. and N. 10th Av.



⦿ = Proposed Traffic Circle Locations

60% Signatures are required from the yellow highlighted areas.

Signatures of approval have been secured for **77%** of the yellow highlighted properties for the **traffic circle on 10th Ave and 5th Street**

All underground utilities were marked by bluestake showing no conflict, and the site was toured and approved for a traffic circle by Department of Transportation landscape architect David Marhefka on 1-24-2025

The petitions have been handed in to Jesse Soto at the City (though we can still add more signatures of approval), and the City has confirmed we have more than enough signatures to move to the next stage of the process, whereby various City departments will review the conceptual plans and make comments.

As we continue to see dangerous levels of speeding through our neighborhood and with these projects having such strong support from the surrounding neighbors, the Dunbar/Spring Neighborhood Association urges you to grant us the funding necessary to complete these projects.

Sincerely,

Thomas Stellini
President, Dunbar/Spring Neighborhood Association