



**Village of Mount Prospect
Transportation Safety Commission
Regular Meeting Agenda
1720 W. Central Road Mount Prospect, IL 60056**

May 11, 2026

Emergency Operations Center

7:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - 3.1. February 9, 2026
- 4. Citizens To Be Heard**
- 5. Old Business**
- 6. New Business**
 - 6.1. Lake Briarwood Friendly Neighborhood Streets Study Discussion
- 7. Commission Issues**
- 8. Adjournment**

NOTE: ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING BUT BECAUSE OF AN DISABILITY NEEDS SOME ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE SHOULD CONTACT LUKE FORESMAN, STAFF LIASON TO THE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMISSION AT lforesman@mountprospect.org OR CALL 847/870-5640

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MOUNT PROSPECT TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMISSION

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Mount Prospect Transportation Safety Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2026.

ROLL CALL

Present upon roll call:	Justin Kuehlthau	Chairman
	Christopher Prosperi	Vice Chairman
	B-L Pellicore	Commissioner
	Lenny Xavier	Commissioner
	Nicholas Mavraganis	Police Department Representative
	Michael Murphy	Fire Department Representative
	Luke Foresman	Project Engineer – Staff Liaison
Absent:	Charlie Lowry	Commissioner
	Scott Moe	Public Works Department Representative
Others in Attendance:	Kenneth Brey	Resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Kuehlthau, seconded by Commissioner Pellicore, moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Transportation Safety Commission held on December 12, 2025. The minutes were approved by a vote of 6-0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Kenneth Brey spoke to the Commission and provided a handout indicating the new “Walk Your Wheels” signs were misrepresenting the ordinance that described the walk your wheels zone. Staff Liaison Foresman indicated staff would review the concerns, discuss internally and with the Village Manager’s Office, and make adjustments as directed.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Transportation Project Updates

Staff Liaison Foresman provided updates on the following transportation-related projects.

Projects Completed in 2025

- 2025 Street Resurfacing
- Burning Bush Lane Lighting
- Central Gateway (pending clocktower)

2026 Construction Projects

- 2026 Street Resurfacing Program – 6.99 Miles
- Central and Weller Crosswalk Modifications – Started in 2025
- Melas-Meadows Bridge
- Rand Road Lighting Improvements
- Kensington SRTS Railroad Crossing – Pending Railroad Coordination
- Schoenbeck Road Reconstruction and Sidewalk Installation
- Oakton Street Sidewalk
- Wolf Road Path
- Euclid Avenue Shared Use Path
- FNSP Projects
 - Hatlen Heights Neighborhood
 - William Street
- Gateway Signs

Design Projects

- Rand-83-Kensington Intersection – 2027 Construction
- Algonquin Road Shared-Use Path, Sidewalk and Lighting – 2027 Construction
- Gregory Street Lighting – 2026 Construction

Engineering Studies

- Downtown Parking Study (Complete)
- Kensington Road Shared-Use Path
- Wolf Road Rehabilitation
- Central Railroad Crossing Study
- Busse Park Neighborhood Study

Projects by Others

- Busse Road Reconstruction – Anticipated start Fall 2026

COMMISSION ISSUES

Commission Pellicore asked how the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program was promoted to the public. Liaison Foresman indicated that whenever residents reach out about traffic issues that could qualify, they are referred to the program on the Village web site. There is a web page dedicated to the program that was promoted when it was first established. Staff will work to publish social media posts on the program and a possible inclusion in a future newsletter.

Commissioner Pellicore brought up the One Road. One Focus. program being promoted by the Illinois Secretary of State. This program is designed to increase awareness and safety of micromobility in Illinois by updating state standards relating to micromobility. There was general discussion about the program and how the Village could potentially partner with the State. Staff will review the program to determine its applicability to the Village of Mount Prospect.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the Transportation Safety Commission voted 6-0 to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. upon the motion of Chairperson Kuehlthau. Commissioner Prosperi seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Luke Foresman, P.E.
Project Engineer



Mount Prospect Public Works Department

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMISSION
FROM: PROJECT ENGINEER
DATE: MAY 5, 2025
SUBJECT: LAKE BRIARWOOD FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS PROGRAM STUDY

Overview: Staff will be presenting the Lake Briarwood Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program (FNSP) study to the Commission for comment.

Safety Commission Request: Staff is seeking input from the Transportation Safety Commission and the public on the initial plan for the Lake Briarwood FNSP study. There will be no action taken at this meeting for this project. The project will come back to the Transportation Safety Commission at a future meeting for an approval vote.

Project Status: Below are the steps of the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program, we are currently at the bolded steps:

1. Initiation
2. Petition Review
3. Traffic Study
4. Eligibility
5. Prioritization
6. Initial Public Outreach
- 7. Initial Plan**
- 8. Second Public Outreach**
- ~~9. Temporary Measures~~
- 10. On-Site Meeting (hosted at TSC meeting)**
11. Revised Plan
12. Balloting
13. TSC Meeting
14. Board Approval
15. Construction

Attachments: The below attachments are included for the project:

- Eligibility Memo
- Initial Public Outreach Summary Memo
- Initial Design Memo
- Second Public Outreach RIB



Mount Prospect Public Works Department

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
FROM: PROJECT ENGINEER
DATE: March 2, 2026
SUBJECT: FNSP – LAKE BRIARWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD – ELIGIBILITY

24 hour traffic counts were completed in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood from 10/15/2025 – 10/19/2025. Counters were placed at 2839 Briarwood East and 2809 Briarwood West to capture the speed and volume of vehicles in the neighborhood. These traffic counts were compared to historical counts.

Minimum Criteria as outlined in the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program include:

- An average speed at least 3 MPH above the speed limit (23 MPH) or
- An 85th percentile speed at least 7 MPH above the speed limit (27 MPH) or
- An average daily traffic of at least 1000 vehicles or
- A peak hour volume of at least 120 vehicles

It should be noted that the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood has a 20 MPH speed limit, compared to 25 MPH as is standard on residential streets throughout the Village. If the neighborhood had the standard 25 MPH speed limit then it would not meet eligibility requirements. Additionally, while traffic volume has remained consistent, but vehicle speeds have decreased slightly over time.

The table on the next page shows traffic count results.

Year	Month	Location	Average Speed of Vehicles	85% Speed (Speed 15% of Drivers are Exceeding)	Average Volume	Days of the Week
					Vehicles Per Day	
Briarwood West						
2007	August	Mid-Block	24.2	30.2	289.5	Wed-Thr
2018	June	Mid-Block	22.7	28.2	275.3	Tue-Thr
2019	May	Mid-Block	22.9	28.6	267	Tue-Thr
2025	October	2809	21.8	28.4	287	Wed-Thr
2025	October	2809	21.9	28.2	215.5	Sat-Sun
Briarwood East						
2007	August	Mid-Block	26.2	32.1	578.5	Wed-Thr
2018	June	Mid-Block	25.3	30.9	616.3	Tue-Thr
2019	May	Mid-Block	22.9	28.5	624	Tue-Thr
2025	October	2839	24.1	29.8	623	Wed-Thr
2025	October	2839	22.1	28.4	567	Sat-Sun

Orange highlighted cells meet minimum criteria

Based on the traffic counts showing the neighborhood meeting minimum eligibility requirements, Staff recommends moving forward to the next step in the traffic calming process as outlined in the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program.

Luke Foresman, PE

Project Engineer

Attachments:

- Minimum Criteria Exhibit
- 2025 Traffic Counts



MINIMUM CRITERIA

The Engineering Division collected extensive vehicular volume and speed data including average daily traffic, peak hour volume, average speeds and 85th percentile speeds on most neighborhood streets as part of the Neighborhood Traffic Study from 2007 to 2010. Unless additional studies have been conducted on a particular street, updated traffic data will most likely be necessary before determining if a street qualifies for traffic calming measures due to the time since the Neighborhood Traffic Studies were completed.

For a street to qualify for traffic calming measures at least one of the criteria thresholds below must be met.

Speed:

- The average speed is at least **3 MPH** above the speed limit
- The 85th percentile speed is at least **7 MPH** above the speed limit

Note: School Zone Speed Limits can be used only where signed and when enhancing pedestrian safety is a primary goal

These speed limits are lower than the previous traffic calming program to make more streets eligible for traffic calming measures and to better account for outlier neighborhood traffic speeds effecting traffic studies. Slow speeds due to deliveries, garbage trucks, mail or residents accessing their driveways near traffic counters can lower the overall speeds recorded by the study.

Volume:

- The average daily traffic is at least 1000 vehicles
- The peak hour volume is at least 120 vehicles

The traffic volume limits are meant to address cut through traffic on neighborhood streets. This typically happens on non-collector streets adjacent to arterial roadways. Volume criteria does not apply to collector streets except adjacent to high pedestrian generators.





MINIMUM CRITERIA

Should an individual street qualify for traffic calming measures, the Engineering Division will also identify any surrounding streets that may be significantly impacted by traffic calming measures on the street in question. The selected surrounding streets may not meet the minimum criteria but could be adversely impacted if not considered in the development of a traffic calming project. The boundaries of potential significant impact will define the project area.

The only exception to meeting any of the criteria thresholds is if the street has a recent history of crashes atypical for a neighborhood street and traffic calming measures are the appropriate solution. Should the Engineering Division identify a high crash rate for the street, the Engineering Division has the discretion to initiate a traffic calming project even if none of the vehicular volume or speed criteria are met. In analyzing the crash reports for a street with a recent history of crashes, the Engineering Division will first consider less intrusive education, enforcement and engineering measures. If it is determined traffic calming measures are the appropriate solution, the project will continue with the traffic calming process.

Definitions

These definitions pertain to the criteria thresholds described above and apply to an engineering traffic study typically lasting between 48 and 72 hours.

Average Speed – The mean speed, in miles per hour, of all vehicles during the traffic study. It is typically measured at the midblock of the street.

85th Percentile Speed – The speed, in miles per hour, at which 85% of all vehicles during the traffic study are traveling at or below. It is typically measured at the midblock of the street and represents the basis for establishing the speed limit.

Average Daily Traffic – The number of vehicles, measured in both directions, passing a point along the street during a 24-hour period. It is calculated by dividing the total number of recorded vehicles by the number of days in the traffic study.

Peak Hour Volume – The highest number of vehicles, measured in both directions, passing a point along the street during any 1-hour period during the traffic study.





Mount Prospect Public Works Department

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
FROM: PROJECT ENGINEER
DATE: APRIL 15, 2026
SUBJECT: FNSP – LAKE BRIARWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD – INITIAL PUBLIC OUTREACH SUMMARY

The Village has initiated a traffic calming study in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood after a petition signed by 47 residents was submitted to the Village and the Village subsequently found the neighborhood to be eligible for the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program as determined by traffic counts. As such, the Village sent out a letter introducing the study and soliciting input on existing conditions from residents. The letter and distribution map are attached to this memo.

The letter was sent via mail on March 26th, 2026. The survey was open until Friday April 10th, 2026. The letter was sent to 156 addresses. 13 surveys were returned for a 8.3% return rate. The letter asked residents to describe concerns regarding traffic in their neighborhood, the location of traffic issues and any other comments. The breakdown of responses are provided at the end of the memo, note some responses mentioned multiple concerns or locations.

Overall, speeding was the primary concern of residents, particularly because there are no sidewalks or streetlights causing visibility issues and potential conflicts with pedestrians and cyclists. In the past, the HOA voted against sidewalks and there was not enough support for streetlights. However, in general, residents did not want major intervention, such as speed humps or median islands as they could create additional conflict points with pedestrians.

The following responses were received regarding traffic issues in the neighborhood:

- 9 responses mentioned speeding
- 5 responses mentioned safety of walking
- 3 responses indicated there are no issues
- 2 response mentioned safety at the intersection of Algonquin Road and Briarwood Drive
- 1 response mentioned a lack of lighting

The following responses were received regarding traffic issue locations:

- 3 responses listed on the curves, particularly with pedestrians and vehicles mixing
- 3 responses mentioned straight sections particularly for speeding
- 2 responses indicated there were no issues
- 2 responses listed the intersection of Algonquin Road and Briarwood Drive
- 1 response listed near the entrance
- 1 response called out Briarwood Drive East
- 1 response mentioned parked vehicles

Other comments included:

- 3 responses said they do not want speed humps
- 2 responses requested street lights
- 1 response requested speed humps
- 1 response mentioned speeding school busses and delivery drivers
- 1 response requested automated speed enforcement
- 1 response mentioned test drives from the car dealership at the neighborhood entrance
- 1 response didn't want any obstacles in the street
- 1 response concerned about strip mall traffic using Briarwood Drive

While Staff will consider all survey responses as a preliminary design is developed, reducing vehicle speeds while avoiding negative impacts to pedestrians and bicyclists will be the primary goal of the study.

Luke Foresman, PE



Project Engineer

Attachments:

- Resident Information Bulletin
- Distribution Map
- Survey Response Data (without addresses listed)

INTRODUCTION:

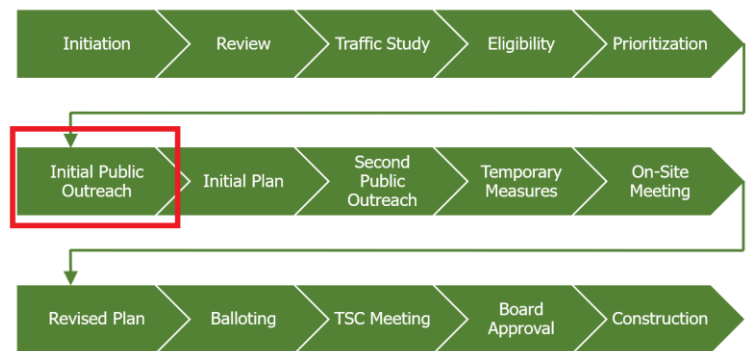
The Village is conducting a traffic study in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood and is seeking your input on existing traffic issues. In May of 2024, the Village Board adopted the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program, a program that allows residents to submit a petition to request traffic calming measures be installed on their street to address traffic issues. Traffic calming is infrastructure designed to slow vehicle speeds or reduce the number of vehicles on a neighborhood street to increase safety for all users.

LAKE BRIARWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD:

A petition requesting traffic calming from the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood was submitted to Public Works in the fall of 2025. Traffic counts were completed in October and found the street to be eligible for the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program.

TRAFFIC CALMING PROCESS:

The traffic calming process can be found in the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program on the Village website by searching "Traffic Calming". We are currently at step 6, Initial Public Outreach. See timeline to the right. We are collecting public input on existing traffic issues on the street to make sure any proposed improvements address resident concerns.



PUBLIC INPUT

The Village is seeking public input regarding existing traffic issues in the neighborhood. Your observations will be used to inform the traffic calming study going forward. A comment form has been included in this letter. Public comments can be submitted to Public Works by using the enclosed comment form and mailing it to or dropping of at Public Works, Attn: Luke Foresman, 1700 West Central Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056. Residents can also submit comments by phone at (847) 870-5640 or by email at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org. Please put "Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming" in the subject line of your email.

The comment submittal deadline is Friday, April 10th.

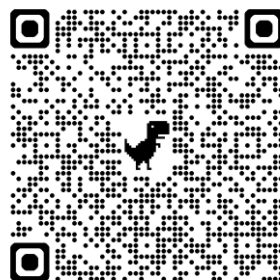
More information on this study can be found on the study website. Please scan the QR code below or search "Traffic Calming" on the Village's website.

Thank you for your participation in this study, be on the look out for future mailings with updates.

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Public Works Department
March 2026

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Address: _____

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

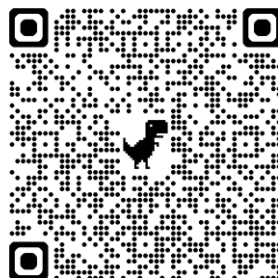
Where are traffic issues most common?

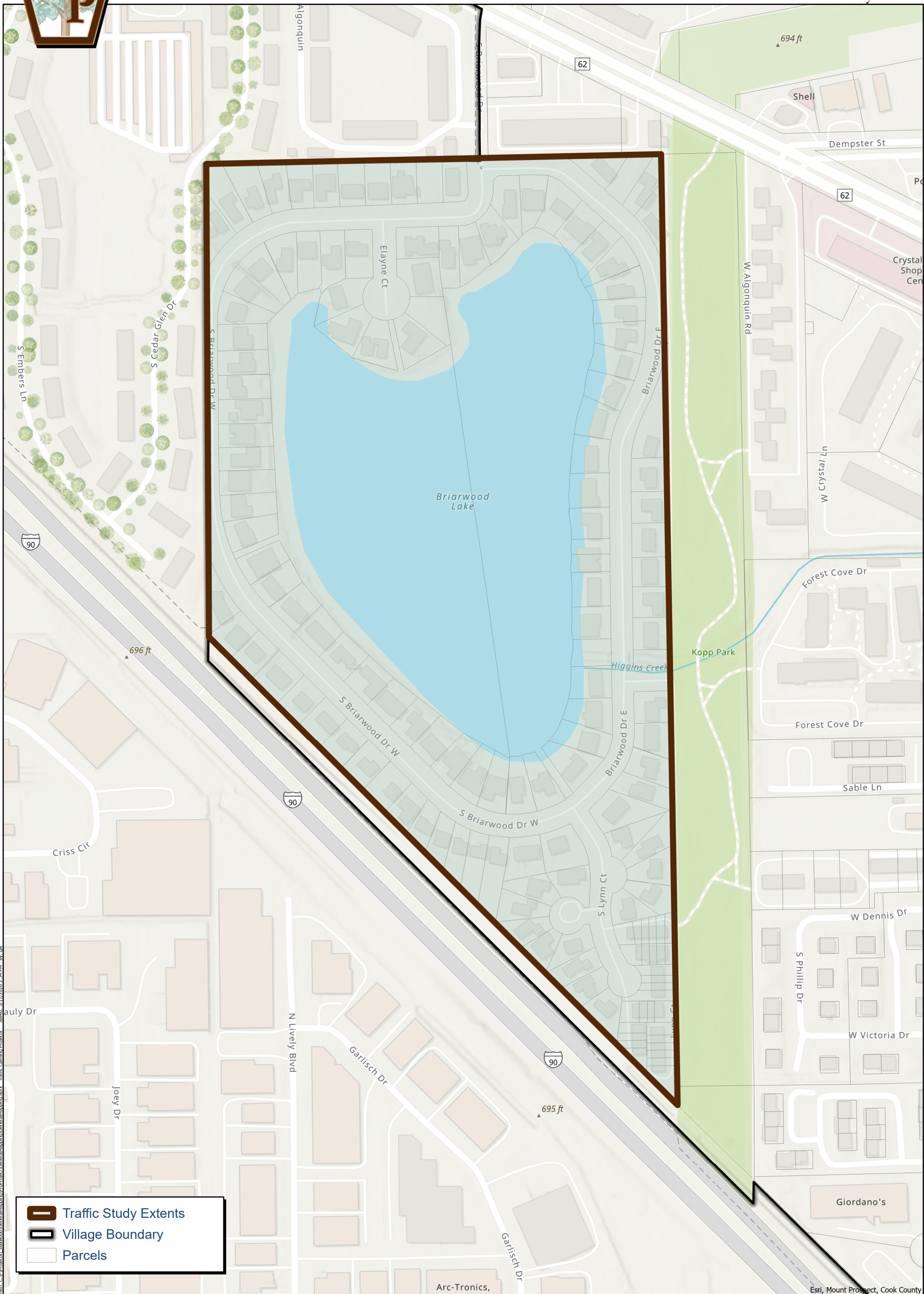
Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

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Comment Form

Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming Study

Village of Mount Prospect
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Please answer the follow questions to help us as we work to develop a possible traffic calming plan in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood. Additional information can be found on the study website, see QR code below or search "Traffic Calming" on the Village website:

Address:

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

Speeding is a top concern! We have tried to get speed bumps installed as many families with children live here and

It can be dangerous to simply go for walks or ride bikes. Drivers speed all the time. We need help making our neighborhood

Safe!

Where are traffic issues most common?

Speeding happens primarily near the entrance, our division is a circle, and speeding happens most after the entrance

Splits off into a "Y" at the north part, directly in front of our address, that stretch of road heading west from the entrance.

Also speeders zip through from the entrance to the eastern apartment complex. Also around the sharp bends are dangerous

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

Email:

We need a solution for speeding asap. It appears that a few residents that are elderly have prevented speed bumps from

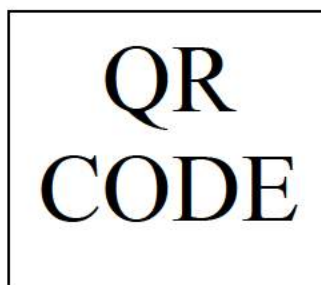
being installed as it would be "uncomfortable" to drive over them. Improving safety in our community and slowing drivers

Is a must. As more families move into our neighborhood, we need to make it safe for everyone. Please help!

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Address: _____

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

Multiple accidents @ the only exit out of LB neighborhood @ Algonquin & Briarwood Drive. Inside the neighborhood there are no lights, no sidewalks and drivers go very fast sometimes.

Where are traffic issues most common?

Algonquin & Briarwood Drive intersections and on Briarwood Drive itself. Very unsafe to walk or bike around the neighborhood ~~due to~~ especially where there are curves.

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

I am very concerned about the safety of our kids biking or walkin in the neighborhood + I have almost been side swiped exiting out of LB onto Algonquin multiple times

Thank you

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Address: [REDACTED]

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

There is a dangerous speeding situation in our community. We have no sidewalk or streetlights. We have a very active community of children, elders and ^(handicapped) dog walkers.

Where are traffic issues most common?

In front of my home there seems to be a stretch of road that drivers regularly increase speed. Also problematic is East side going into unincorporated residences.

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

It is only a matter of time before something critical happens.

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Address: [REDACTED]

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

- 1) - everyday traffic flow is excessive throughout the day.
 - 2) - current residents of Lake Briarwood along with the 6 multi-family residential buildings on Lynn Ct. are equally speeding. When obviously speeding vehicles are signaled to slow down, I have been met with vulgar finger gestures or a stopping of the vehicle followed by "peeling away" at high speed in defiance.
 - 3) A resident who is disabled uses a motorized wheelchair in the streets as we have no sidewalks. My disabled husband uses a walker at the same risk.
 - 4) We have a senior dog who is an amputee due to having been hit by a car. and needs to be slowly walked with great risk.
- Where are traffic issues most common?
5) we have many senior residents along with young families who use strollers in the streets along with rollerskating & bike riding.

Issues are most common: 1) high speeds in the "straight away" segments of the circular drive. 2) poor visibility of walking residents at the curves of the road. 3) at the Lake Briarwood entrance and in the Lynn Ct. area where multiple children ride bikes & play.

3) high speed school buses and delivery vehicles, especially food delivery drivers and landscapers, violate the posted speed limit signs.

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

Thank you for your attention to this urgent need for immediate traffic calming. It's just a matter of time before there will be an unfortunate incident. Any successful intervention with appropriate measures will be greatly appreciated.

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Subject: Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming

Hello:

Address: 

What are concerns: Everyone is in a hurry these days.

Where are traffic issues most common: On the straight aways since our street is just a big loop. Lynn Court residents also speed out of their complexes. Loud cars that backfire as they drive out is an issue, too.

Provide comments: We are not a thru street and do not have people from other areas going through here. Anyone speeding lives in the neighborhood and chooses to drive fast. Stop signs have not slowed them down. We have no sidewalks, so the summer is more difficult when there are kids on bikes etc.

We have asked for police to ticket offenders and they have sat at the entryway, but we know this is not a long term solution.

Wish we could have an Automated Speed Enforcemnt camera that would log the speeding and then a ticket issued. That may slow them down.

Test drives from the corner used car dealership have to stop as well.

I think the only way to get people to slow down is to ticket them. Placing upright poles in the middle will just make them swerve onto homeowner properties.

Have a good week.

Address: [REDACTED]

Concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood?

Because our neighborhood does not have sidewalks, my concern is unpredictable and aggressive drivers, particularly on Briarwood Dr EAST. The aggressive drivers can be seen daily and at all hours of the day and night. We have several families with children walking and riding bikes and it's simply not safe. Also, some parts of Briarwood Dr EAST have decreased visibility which makes it difficult for the drivers to see the pedestrians in the street.

Where are traffic issues most common?

Briarwood Dr EAST

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Address:

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 42 YEARS
AND THERE ARE NO PROBLEMS WITH
TRAFFIC, NO SPEED BUMPS NEEDED

Where are traffic issues most common?

THERE ARE NO MAJOR TRAFFIC ISSUES,
ALL ARE IMAGINED, I WALK THE
LAKE ON STREET EVERY DAY AND NO ACTIONS
ARE NEEDED

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

RANDOM DRIVER SHOULD NOT WARRANT
SPEED BUMPS FOR ALL OF US.

DO NOT LIMIT OUR STREET WITHEN
FINE FOR 42 YEARS AND NOTHING CHANGED

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Address: _____

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

Speeding cars. The street is also our walk way,
we do not have sidewalks. The speeding cars
could run into children who are also in the
street playing

Where are traffic issues most common?

ops In the ~~street~~ straight
ways.

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

In addition to children riding their bikes, skate-boarding,
roller skating, we have a few handicapped people
in the neighborhood. We need traffic calming!
Thank You

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Address: _____

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

NO Speed bump

Where are traffic issues most common?

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

Comments not needed.

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Subject: Re: Lake Briarwood traffic calming

Address:

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

I'm not sure of what can be done but I do think cars do speed around the neighborhood. 20-25 mph does seem reasonable but I often feel that cars travel at times 30mph+

I also think lighting is a problem. As much as I think the darkness adds to the appeal of the neighborhood, I do think additional minimalistic lighting would be helpful with the pedestrian traffic around the neighborhood.

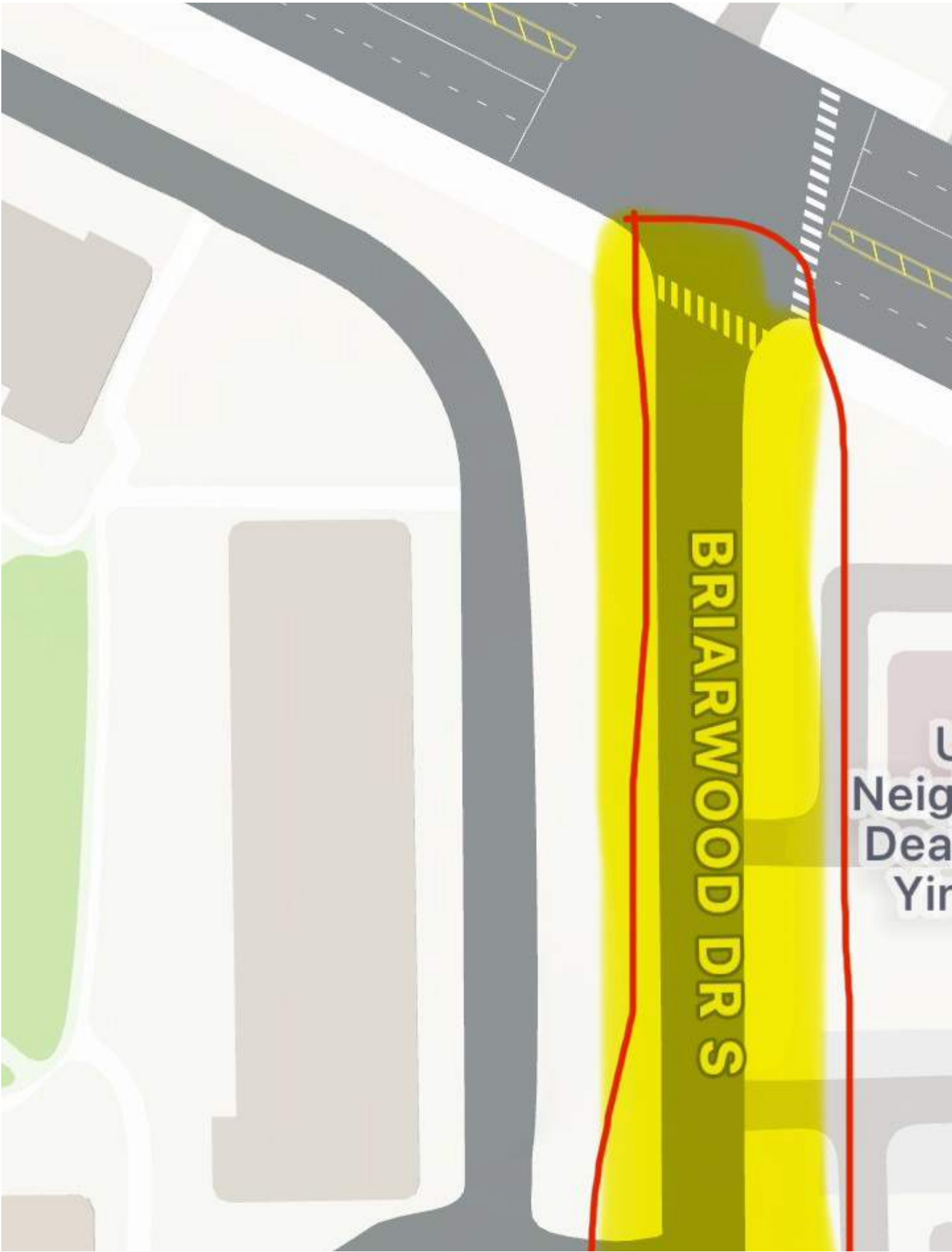
What are traffic issues most common?

Mostly when you meet ongoing traffic and there are pedestrians present. It creates a dangerous scenario for all involved.

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

For the most part the neighborhood and drivers are aware and courteous, but I think speed management is the main concern. Given how many cars turn into the strip mall on Algonquin & Briarwood drive, I do think there could be consideration on making cars enter/exit from Algonquin vs. entering/exiting from Briarwood drive. Another option to consider possibly is to make Briarwood drive thicker to create an additional lane. Understood there is limited real estate there but Briarwood Drive seems too thin at the

intersection given the amount of traffic that comes through that intersection with the strip mall. If that part of Briarwood drive can be made to have additional lane(s) if possible, may help with the volume of car and foot traffic often encountered there during prime school and rush hour time zones.



Open to being involved in any discussions or questions that come up in the future regarding related conversations.

Kind Regards,



Comment Form

Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming Study

Village of Mount Prospect
Public Works Department
March 2026

Please answer the follow questions to help us as we work to develop a possible traffic calming plan in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood. Additional information can be found on the study website, see QR code below or search "Traffic Calming" on the Village website:

Address: _____

What are your concerns regarding traffic in the neighborhood, if any?

Some speeders, but not a serious problem

Where are traffic issues most common?

Occasional speeding. Cars on Algonquin failing to stop when stoplight is red

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

I don't believe we have a major problem. It may be corrected with additional signage. Street lights would be helpful since there are none at present time

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Subject: Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming

Address: 

What are my concerns?

Occasional speeders

Walkers at night with no lights or brightly colored road- they seem to forget that the main purpose of a road, especially one without a sidewalk is for predominantly for cars

Where are traffic issues most common?

Anywhere where a car is parked on the street. If that was addressed alone - any issues would be minimized.

Additional comments

A sidewalk idea is a non-starter & completely unnecessary- ask yourselves- has there been one injury in the 64 or 65 years this community has been here?

Do we need speed bumps? NO- most people stay under 25MPH & yes I'm aware it's a 20 which is quite ridiculous- ask the Kids school buses that always do about 30.

The best thing we could do is add more street lights- that's it.

Cheers



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CARS Come down ROAD way too fast
esp. in the dark, and kids playing around

Where are traffic issues most common?

Speeding Around the turn

Provide any additional comments regarding traffic in the neighborhood:

Nothing

Email: _____

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Mount Prospect Public Works Department

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
FROM: PROJECT ENGINEER
DATE: APRIL 15, 2026
SUBJECT: FNSP – LAKE BRIARWOOD – INITIAL DESIGN

This memo outlines the initial design for the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood which includes installing speed feedback signs as the recommended traffic calming measure. This was developed after a petition was submitted by 47 residents of the neighborhood requesting a traffic calming study. Traffic counts were conducted to confirm eligibility for the program and an initial survey was sent to all residents introducing the study and requesting information on existing conditions. Reducing vehicle speeds while not negatively impacting pedestrians and cyclists was the primary theme of the 13 survey responses.

The Lake Briarwood Neighborhood is unique in the Village as there is no through traffic due to the neighborhood only having one entrance at Algonquin Road. Additionally, it is one of the few areas of the Village with a 20 MPH speed limit instead of 25 MPH. The streets in the neighborhood are 24' wide edge-to-edge with curb and gutter. There are no sidewalks forcing residents to walk and bike in the street. Street lighting is not present.

Traffic counts showed the neighborhood met eligibility criteria for a 20 MPH speed limit but would not have met criteria for a 25 MPH speed limit as is typical throughout the Village. The speeds recorded in the neighborhood are typical for a residential street in the Village, but since the speed limit is lower, the neighborhood is eligible for the program. Briarwood Drive East experienced slightly higher speeds and over double the traffic volume as Briarwood Drive West. Crash history shows only two crashes in the neighborhood within the past 5 years, one involved hitting a parked vehicle in Lynn Court and one in Elayne Court with a vehicle backing into a fire hydrant. There were no reported crashes on the loop of Briarwood Drive.

Since there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood, typical in-street traffic calming measures such as median islands would not be appropriate due to them creating conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians in the street. Currently, with relatively low on-street parking utilization, vehicles have space to pass pedestrians.

Therefore, Staff recommends installing speed feedback signs on straight sections of Briarwood Drive East and West. This will preserve space for pedestrians and cyclists in street while providing a clear reminder to vehicles of the speed limit and how fast they are going in the neighborhood. This will also address concerns about commercial vehicles who will see the speed feedback signs at least once while they are in the neighborhood.

Additionally, signage was recently added to Briarwood Drive at the Briarwood Plaza Shopping Center exit to indicate Briarwood Drive has no outlet and to direct vehicles away from the neighborhood. Lastly, as part of the Algonquin Road Shared-Use Path, Sidewalk and Lighting Project, pedestrian improvements will be made to the intersection of Algonquin Road and Briarwood Drive, including adding a shared-use path along the north side of Algonquin Road.

The next step of the process is to solicit feedback on the initial design to help in developing the final design. This will include mailings and a discussion at a Transportation Safety Commission meeting.

Luke Foresman, PE



Project Engineer

Attachments:

- Initial Design Plan
- Eligibility Memo

INTRODUCTION:

The Village is conducting a traffic study in the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood and is seeking your input on the initial design to address traffic issues.

LAKE BRIARWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD:

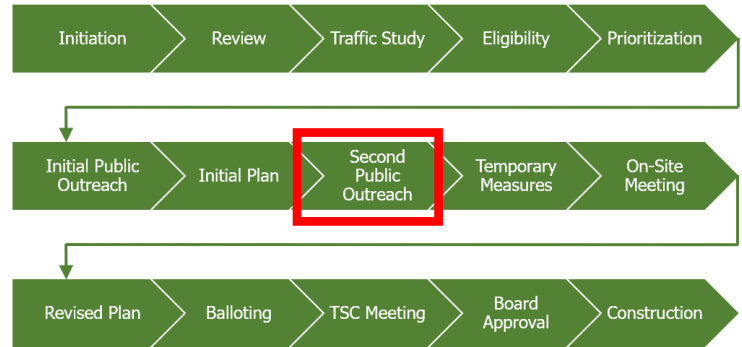
A petition requesting traffic calming from the Lake Briarwood Neighborhood was submitted to Public Works in the fall of 2025. Traffic counts were completed in October 2025 and found the neighborhood to be eligible for the Friendly Neighborhood Streets Program.

INITIAL DESIGN:

In March, the Village sent out a letter to all residents introducing the study and requesting feedback on existing traffic issues. 13 responses were received with the main issues reported being speeding and potential conflicts with pedestrians and cyclists since there are no sidewalks. To address these issues, the Village proposes to install speed feedback signs on Briarwood Drive East and West to remind drivers of the speed limit and make them aware of their current speed. This will provide a traffic calming effect, slowing drivers, while not reducing roadway space, allowing for passing of pedestrians and cyclists.

TRAFFIC CALMING PROCESS:

We are currently at step 8, Second Public Outreach. See timeline to the right. Note temporary measures are not anticipated to be part of this study.



PUBLIC INPUT

The Village is seeking public input on the initial design. Comments can be submitted to Public Works by using the enclosed comment form and mailing it to or dropping off at Public Works, Attn: Luke Foresman, 1700 West Central Road, Mount Prospect, IL 60056. Residents can also submit comments by phone at (847) 870-5640 or by email at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org. Please put "Lake Briarwood Traffic Calming" in the subject line of your email. **The comment submittal deadline is Friday, May 15th.**

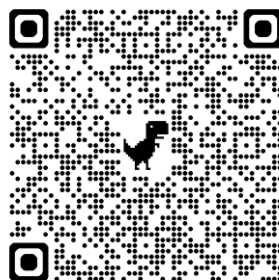
The study will be presented to the Transportation Safety Commission for information and comment at their meeting at 7:00 PM on May 11th, 2026 at the Emergency Operations Center at Public Works, 1720 W. Central Road. You are invited to attend and participate in the meeting. This will act as the "on-site" meeting as described in the timeline above.

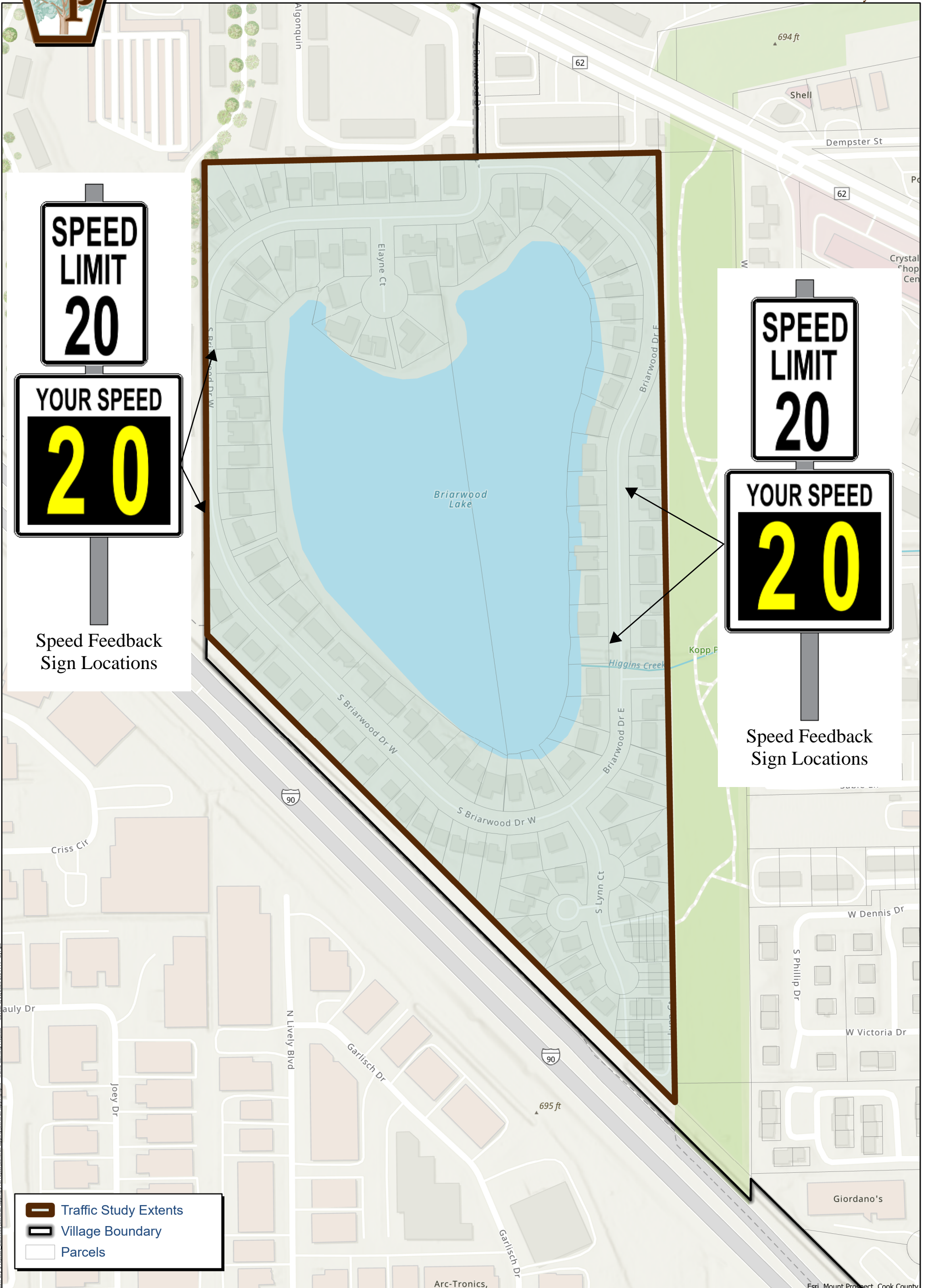
More information on this study can be found on the study website. Please scan the QR code below or search "Traffic Calming" on the Village's website. A plan showing proposed sign locations is included in this letter.

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