

Capitol Hill Traffic Calming Plan

Livable Streets

Timeline



Project Overview

Salt Lake City is partnering with the Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council to implement neighborhood traffic calming strategies that promote safety, livability, and neighborhood character for area residents.

The Capitol Hill Neighborhood Traffic Calming Plan is the result of a nearly three year process, led by the Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council (CHNC). The plan is community-driven and is based on input from residents throughout the neighborhood that identified specific issues. Cut-through commuter traffic, exhibition racing of vehicles with modified mufflers, and heavy-duty industrial vehicles diminish the quality of life in the neighborhood by impacting safety, comfort, and noise and air pollution. Detailed background information is available online at

<http://chnc-slc.org/transportation/>.



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Issues and Funding

The issues in this area are not necessarily unique to Capitol Hill, and traffic calming of residential streets is nothing new. However, in recent years there has been an increasing concern about high vehicle speeds, distracted drivers, and the implications for safety as the city expands high-quality walking and cycling networks. Salt Lake City recently initiated the Livable Streets Program to systematically implement neighborhood traffic calming at a citywide scale. This program was initiated in fall of 2022 and includes two dedicated staff and a reoccurring annual budget of \$2,000,000. Using funds allocated through the City's annual Capital Improvement Program (CIP \$600,000), the Capitol Hill Neighborhood Traffic Calming Plan precedes the Livable Streets Program but serves as a springboard to demonstrate neighborhood-scale traffic calming strategies. For example, a key goal for Capitol Hill is to consider the entire neighborhood to avoid pushing issues from one street to another.



Public Engagement Process

Salt Lake City's Transportation Division has been collaborating with the CHNC to leverage the CIP funds to construct specific elements of the CHNC Traffic Calming Plan, with a focus on speed humps and intersection treatments. The broad application of speed humps (60) provides systematic speed control at neighborhood gateways and along key roads. There is a future phase in the planning stage that involves curb extensions and median islands to calm traffic while improving walking infrastructure at several intersections. The quick-build project installed in November 2021 at 600 North / 200 West / Center Street was done to engage the neighborhood and showcase the type of intersection changes that promote safety; this intersection is included to be upgraded using permanent materials as part of the CIP project.

What's Next...?

Construction will begin in mid-August and will be complete by October of 2023. Updates will be available on the project website:

<https://www.slc.gov/transportation/caphill>



Scan the QR Code to visit our website. Contact the neighborhood council or project team with any questions or comments at: council@chnc-slc.org or kyle.cook@slcgov.com