



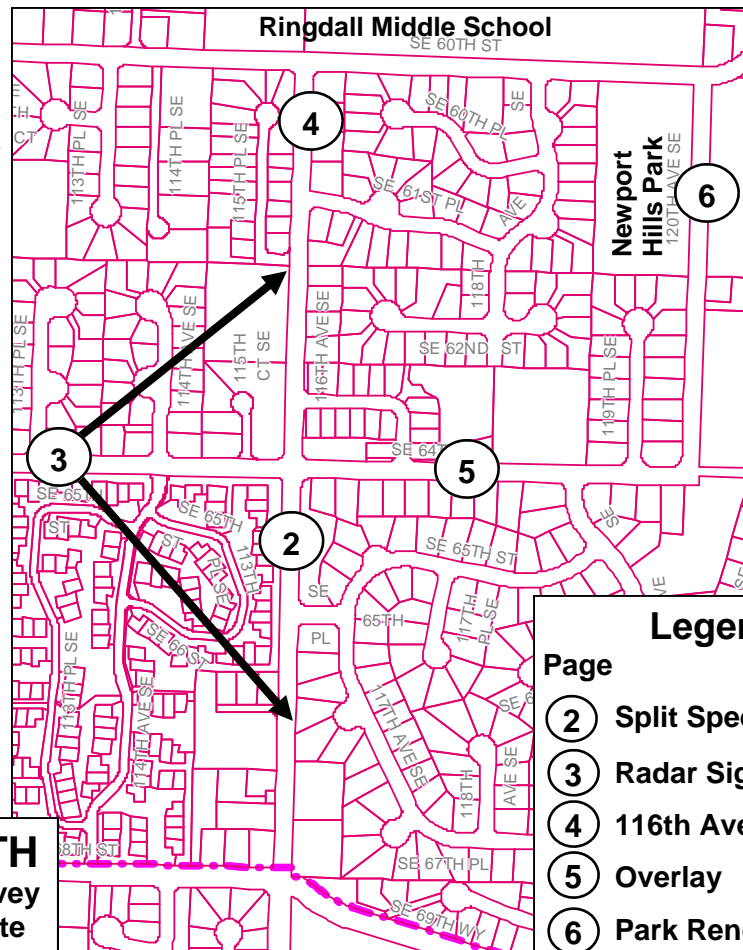
NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC news

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**BELLEVUE
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Upcoming City of Bellevue Projects in Your Neighborhood

In 2009, Bellevue's Transportation staff began working with a Traffic Committee comprised of resident volunteers to address traffic concerns on 116th Avenue SE and on 120th Avenue SE south of SE 60th Street in your neighborhood. From this effort, a traffic calming project was developed which included a demonstration split speed hump on 116th Avenue SE. In this newsletter, you will find updated information about this project, as well as a number of other Transportation projects in your neighborhood moving forward to construction later this year. If you have any questions, please contact the project manager noted below each specific project.



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116th Ave SE Split Speed Hump Replacement

As you know from previous newsletters, temporary split speed humps were installed on 116th Ave SE last summer. Split speed humps are modified to limit the impact the traffic calming measures have on emergency response times. Instead of traveling over a traditionally-designed speed hump, emergency vehicles can navigate around split speed humps without much delay.

Through an evaluation survey, 94% of respondents supported the permanent installation of the split speed humps on 116th Ave SE, between SE 64th St and SE 65th Pl (see map on page 3). Therefore, we will be replacing the temporary medians with landscaped islands within the next few months. The speed humps will be removed and reinstalled during the upcoming resurfacing of 116th Ave SE (see page 5 for more information).



Existing Split Speed Humps

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Conceptual of Landscaped Medians



116th Ave SE Stationary Radar Sign Installation

Residents have requested additional traffic calming measures be installed to the north and south of the split speed humps. In order to address vehicles' excessive speeds along the entire corridor, stationary radar signs will be installed for southbound traffic south of SE 61st Place and south of SE 65th Place for northbound traffic. These driver feedback signs for 116th Ave SE have been requested by neighborhood residents through our two surveys and also through the Traffic Committee. Installing radar signs at the two locations shown on the map below, both of which have been supported by the majority of households in the vicinity, will complement the split speed humps in addressing excessive vehicle speeds.

Installation of the radar signs is anticipated for Fall 2010.

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Stationary Radar Sign



Radar Sign Across From
6190 116th Ave SE for
Southbound Traffic

Split Speed Humps

Radar Sign Near
6601 117th Ave SE for
Northbound Traffic



116th Ave SE Sidewalk Installation



Over the years, the City of Bellevue has received numerous requests from residents to install additional sidewalk on 116th Ave SE. In order to improve pedestrian safety on 116th Ave SE, Pedestrian Access Improvement funding has been secured to install a sidewalk on the east side of the street, between SE 60th St and SE 61st Pl. A landscaped curb extension on the south side of SE 61st will also be installed to align the new sidewalk with the existing sidewalk to the south.

This sidewalk project will fill in the missing gap of sidewalk on the northern half of 116th Ave SE. We realize that there are residents who would like to see a sidewalk installed south of SE 64th St as well. There is a high priority proposal for this section of sidewalk in the City's Ped/Bike Plan. However, at this time there are no funds secured for its design and construction.

Installation is anticipated for this Spring.

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**116th Ave SE, south of SE 60th,
Location of New Sidewalk**



120th Ave SE Park Frontage Improvements

Traffic improvements will also be installed on 120th Ave SE as a part of the Newport Hills Parks Sportsfield Renovation Project. Park frontage improvements will include additional parking capacity along 120th Ave SE and a sidewalk connection through the park from SE 60th to the south end of the parking lot. The improvements would address concerns we have heard from residents regarding the speed and volume of vehicles using 120th Ave SE. For example:

- A brick entry treatment would highlight the roadway as neighborhood entrance.
- Landscaped planters would visually narrow down the roadway and provide opportunities for beautification. Narrower roadways tend to have slower speeds.
- A traffic circle at the south end of the park will visually and physically narrow the roadway in addition to slowing traffic traveling south through the circle. Finally, the circle will encourage park patrons to u-turn around it back to SE 60th instead of driving through the neighborhood south of the park.
- Back-in only parking stalls in front of the park will further encourage park patrons to use SE 60th instead of neighborhood streets to get to the park. In order to easily back into a stall, patrons will need to use SE 60th instead of coming north on 120th from SE 64th. With back-in only parking stalls, motorists can see where they are going when it comes time to pull out, avoiding collisions with pedestrians and bicyclists.

Construction is anticipated to begin after the 4th of July.

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