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RE: TRAFFIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS COMING TO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD IN 2015

Greetings!

The Seattle Department of Transportation is excited to share traffic safety improvements being constructed next year. In 2014, staff worked with your neighbors to identify a neighborhood greenway route connecting John C. Little, Sr. Park and Martha Washington Park (see map on the back of this letter). Neighborhood greenways create safer, calmer residential streets. After further analysis, the route is being modified to make it easier to get to Graham Hill Elementary as well.

What does this mean? Along 52nd Avenue S between S Holly and S Morgan Streets and S Morgan Street between 52nd and 57th Avenues S, the speed limit will be reduced from 25 miles per hour to 20 and about one speed hump a block will be installed to encourage compliance. The design team will ensure that speed humps do not complicate drainage on the portions of the route with steep grades. This improvement will help slow people driving near the intersection of S Morgan Street and Seward Park Avenue S/Wilson Avenue S. where the crossing beacon is located and children walk and bike to Graham Hill Elementary. The crossing beacon at this location is also be upgraded to our current standard. Learn more about what the upgrade will look like and how it functions at http://tinyurl.com/pzj2ody.

To learn more about this project visit www.seattle.gov/transportation/rainiervalleygreenways1.htm. If you have questions, don’t hesitate to email me at Emily.Ehlers@Seattle.gov, or call 206.684.8264.

Sincerely,

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MOST PROMISING ROUTE

NOVEMBER 2014

John C. Little, Sr.
Park

OTHELLO PLAYGROUND

Martha Washington Park

Graham Hill

Aki Kurose

MLK Jr.

Landscaping improvements to existing pedestrian and bicycle access only

Crossing beacons, crosswalks, and curb ramps

Existing pedestrian and bicycle access only

King Plaza

Bicycle parking

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• 20 mph Speed Limit
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