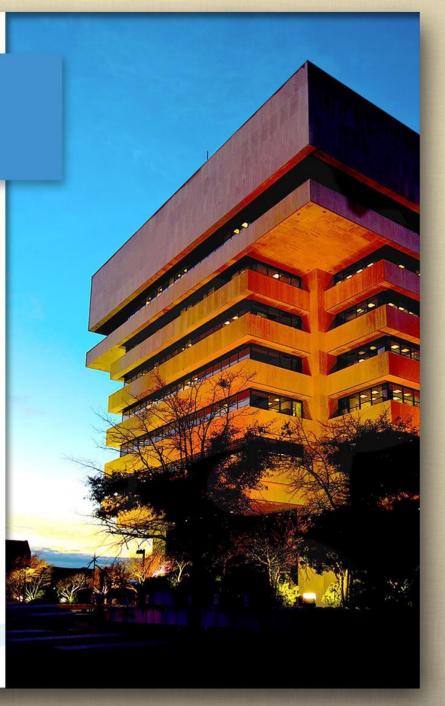
# HAMPTON VA

### Shell Road & Greenbrier Avenue Proposed Safety Alternatives

Hampton City Council October 23, 2024



### **Concerns & Issues**

#### Neighborhood Issues raised:

- Speeding
- Accidents
- Thru truck traffic
- Pedestrian safety
- Community connectivity

**Related Factors:** 

- Driving behavior
- Increased traffic volume due to Pine Avenue closure
- Nearby construction



### Safety Alternatives

- Traffic enforcement
- Traffic signage
- Rumble strips
- Traffic circle
- Traffic signals
- Crosswalks / Asphalt Art
- Close a portion of Shell Road and Greenbriar Avenue



### **Traffic Solutions Implemented**

- Four way stop signs at Greenbriar and Shell Road
- Three way stop signs at Pennsylvania and Shell Road
- Three way stop signs at Courtland and Shell Road
- No Through Truck signage installed
- \$200 Additional Fine signage posted for speeding
- Traffic message board awareness
- Hampton Police Department traffic enforcement

### **Enforcement Data**

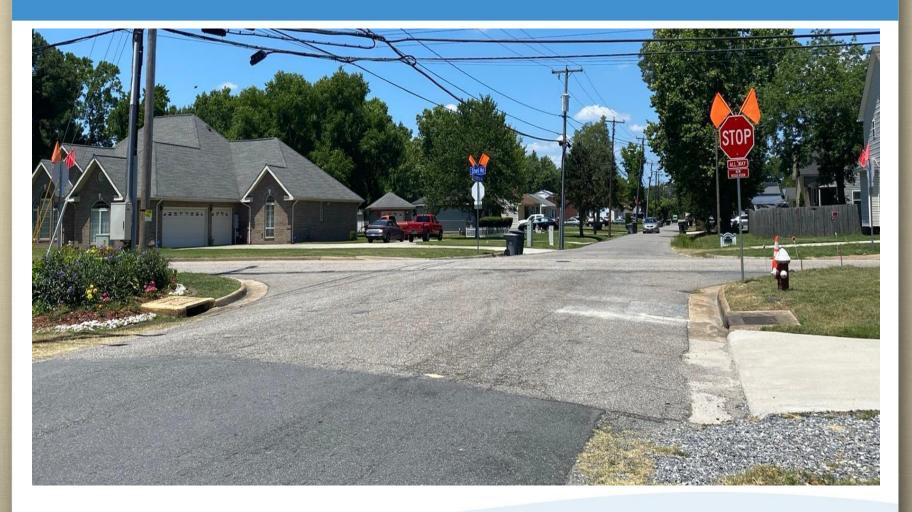
- Enforcement data September 2024
- > 0 Vehicle Crashes
- 184 Summons
- ➢ 60+ Officer Hours
- ➤ 1 Arrest
- 4 Advisements of Law



# Traffic Signage (Shell & Greenbriar)



### Traffic Signage (Greenbriar & Shell)



### Shell Road Traffic Adjustments "Greenbriar, Pennsylvania, Courtland"



### **New Traffic Pattern Awareness**



# **Through Trucks Prohibited Signage**

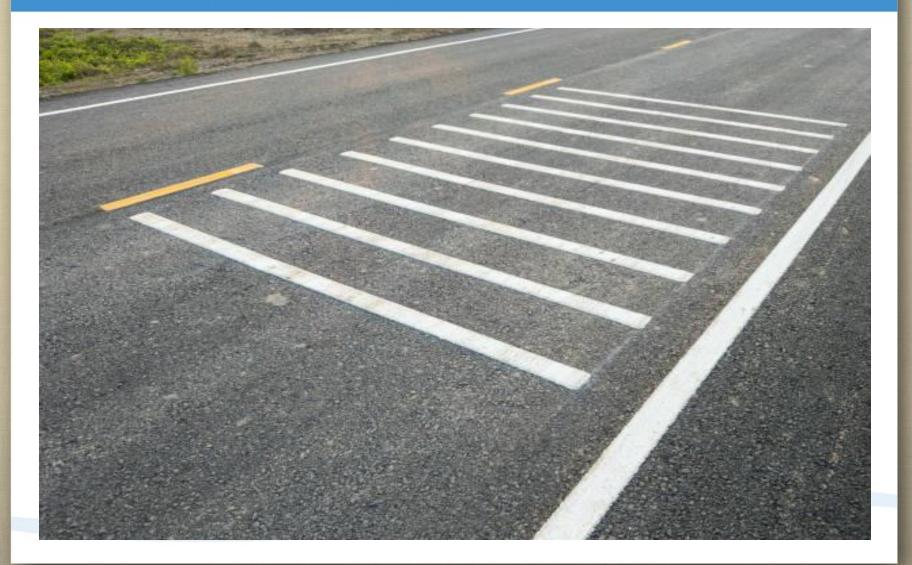


### **Potential Traffic Solutions**

- Rumble strips
- Traffic circle
- Traffic signals
- Temporary roadway closure
- Permanent roadway closure
- Photo enforcement (stop sign enforcement)
  "Hampton may explore additional legislation in 2025"







### **Rumble Strips**

#### • Pros

- Increases driver awareness of roadway conditions
- Small reduction in overall speeds

#### Cons

- Increases noise levels
- Potential for distracted drivers to lose control
- Customer support needed "75% of neighborhood"

#### Cost

- Cost of rumble strips is approximately \$10,000
- Timeline
  - Rumble strip installation is 3 months

### **Traffic Circle**



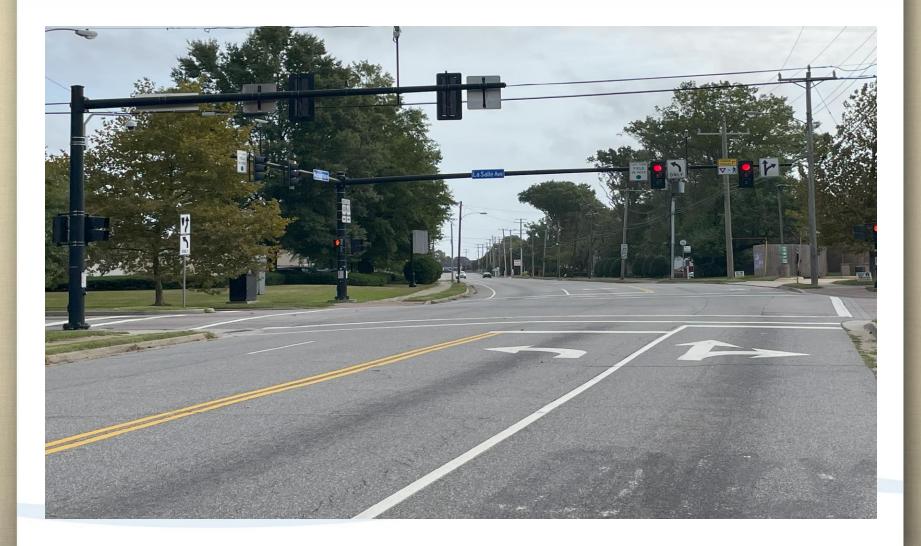
### **Traffic Circle Right of Way Needed**



## **Traffic Circle**

- Pros
  - Traffic circle could reduce vehicle speeds and crashes
  - Enhance streetscape of intersection
- Cons
  - Traffic circle requires right-of-way from five properties
  - Traffic circle is not common for local drivers
- Cost
  - $_{\odot}\,$  The cost of the traffic circle is estimated at \$350,000
- Timeline
  - Traffic circle design and construction is one year

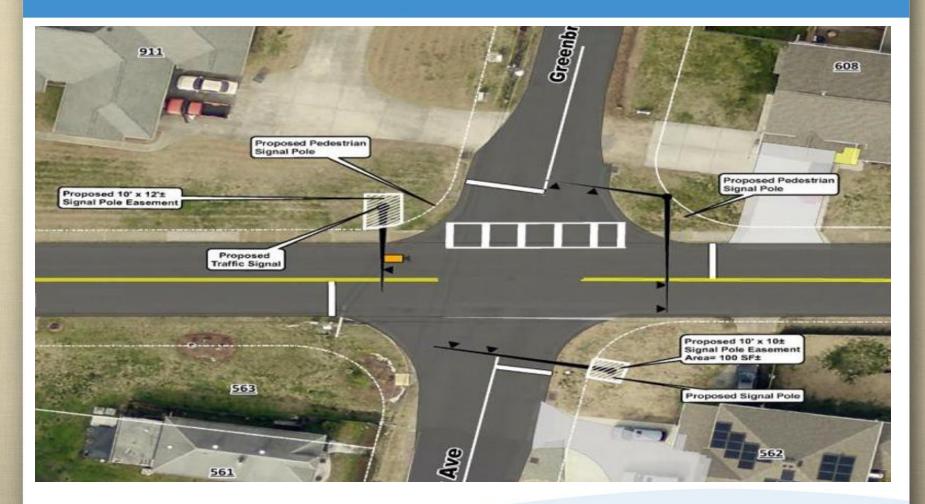
# **Traffic Signal**







### **Traffic Signal Right of Way Needed**



# **Traffic Signal Pros and Cons**

#### Pros

 Traffic signals assign the right-of-way for vehicles approaching the intersection

#### Cons

 Traffic signal equipment will need to be in the public right-of-way as property acquisition would be required

#### • Cost

Traffic signals will cost between \$250,000 to \$500,000

#### • Timeline

 Traffic signal installation is estimated at 18 to 24 months

### **CROSSWALKS & ASPHALT ART**







### **CROSSWALKS & ASPHALT ART**

#### • Pros

- Increases driver awareness of roadway conditions
- Improve appearance of the community

#### Cons

Maintenance of the roadway project

#### Cost

Estimated at \$25,000

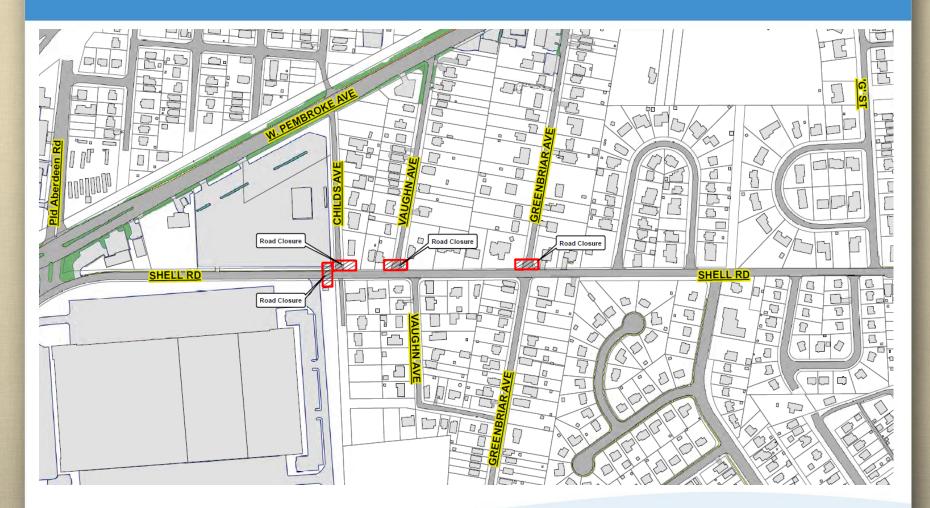
#### Timeline

Installation is 6 months

# **Temporary Roadway Closure**



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#### Pros

- Road closure will decrease intersection collisions
- Traffic volumes and speeds would decrease as traffic will use an alternate route
- Cons
  - Temporary road closure would impact solid waste collections and other large commercial vehicles
  - Increase travel time for residents on Shell Road
- Cost
  - The estimated cost is \$10,000 for temporary road closure

#### • Timeline

Temporary road closure timeline is 30 days

# **Permanent Roadway Closure**



### **Permanent Roadway Closure**

- Pros
  - Road closure may improve traffic and pedestrian safety
  - $\,\circ\,$  Traffic volumes and speeds will decrease
- Cons
  - Permanent road closure would impact solid waste collections and other large commercial vehicles
- Cost
  - The estimated cost of permanent road closures is \$50,000
- Timeline
  - Permanent road closure completion is 3 months

### **Community Meeting Results**

- Proposed safety alternatives presented to West Shell Road Community on October 16, 2024
  - Approximately 25 members of the community attended
- No clear consensus emerged for implementing any of the proposed alternatives
- Chief Wideman committed to enhanced enforcement of traffic violations in the area, including commercial vehicles, speeding and failing to stop at the stop sign

### Recommendations

- Hampton Police Department continue traffic enforcement .....
- Temporarily close Shell Road at Childs Avenue and adjoining streets as these adjustments will reduce traffic and improve safety – 90 day period
- Evaluate our modifications before implementing a permanently solution to close Shell Road at Childs Avenue and adjoining streets
- Pursue additional funding to expand Safe Streets for All program



# **Questions ??**

