

Public Engagement Feedback Report

McBean Street Traffic Calming Study

Background

The City's Neighbourhood Traffic Calming (NTC) Program received complaints from residents about speeding along McBean Street. As a result, this street was reviewed by collecting and analyzing speed and traffic volume data. The results from the traffic survey concluded that McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street met the criteria for a future traffic calming study to be initiated.

The study request was then added to the City's prioritization list of candidate traffic calming studies. In the fall of 2024, the study moved to the top of the prioritization list and was initiated. Based on traffic data, coordination with various stakeholders, and project constraints, a proposed concept plan has been developed.

The McBean Street NTC plan includes:

- McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street
 - 3 speed cushions. Speed cushions are being proposed along this section of the street because it is an OC Transpo route and a key emergency response route for Fire Services. Speed cushions allow large vehicles like buses and emergency response vehicles to straddle the cushions.
 - Curb extensions (bulb-outs) on the north-west and south-east corners of McBean Street and Christopher Hamilton Street, Martin Street, and Strachan Street.
 - Edgelines.

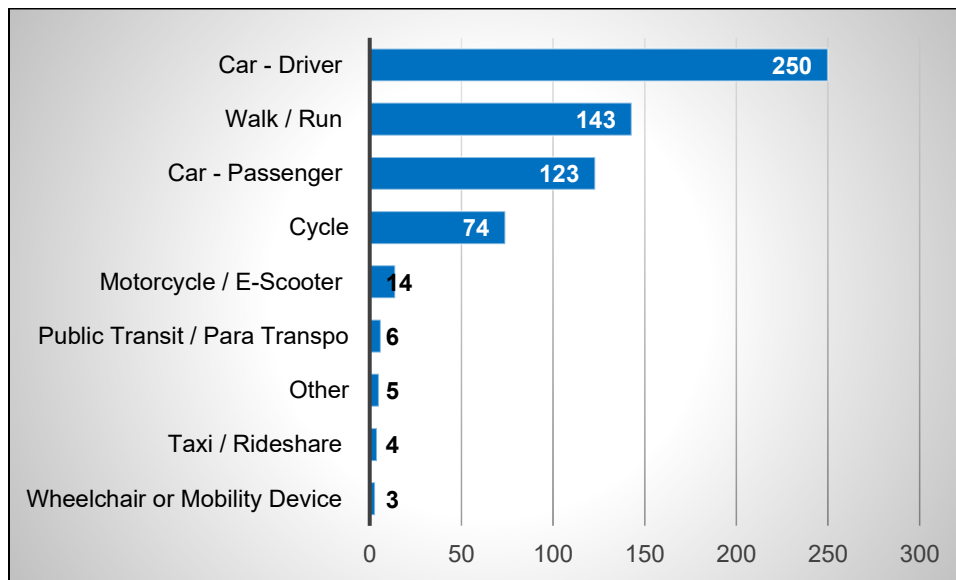
Public Consultation and Online Survey Results

Over the summer of 2025, an online survey was conducted to gather feedback on the proposed traffic calming plan. The following section includes the results from the online survey and summaries of the individual comments received. A total of 255 people completed the online survey. The online survey was available from June 13th to August 11th, 2025.

1. What mode(s) of transportation do you use when travelling along McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street? (Choose all that apply):

Response	Total # of responses
Car - Driver	250
Walk / Run	143
Car - Passenger	123
Cycle	74
Motorcycle / E-Scooter	14
Public Transit / Para Transpo	6
Other	5
Taxi / Rideshare	4
Wheelchair or Mobility Device	3

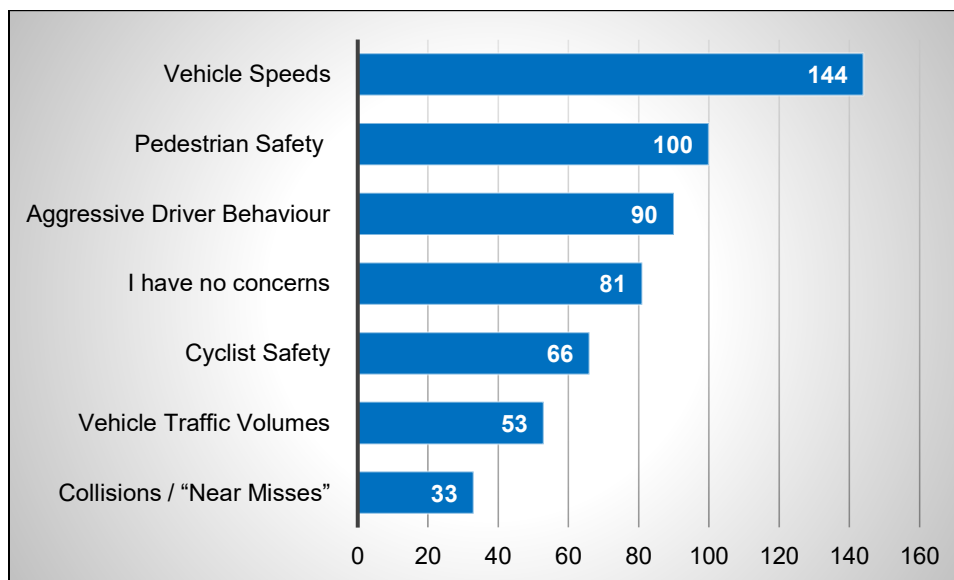
*Total Number of Responses – 622



2. What are your primary concerns when travelling along McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street? (Choose all that apply)

Response	Total # of responses
Vehicle Speeds	144
Pedestrian Safety	100
Aggressive Driver Behaviour	90
I have no concerns	81
Cyclist Safety	66
Vehicle Traffic Volumes	53
Collisions / "Near Misses"	33

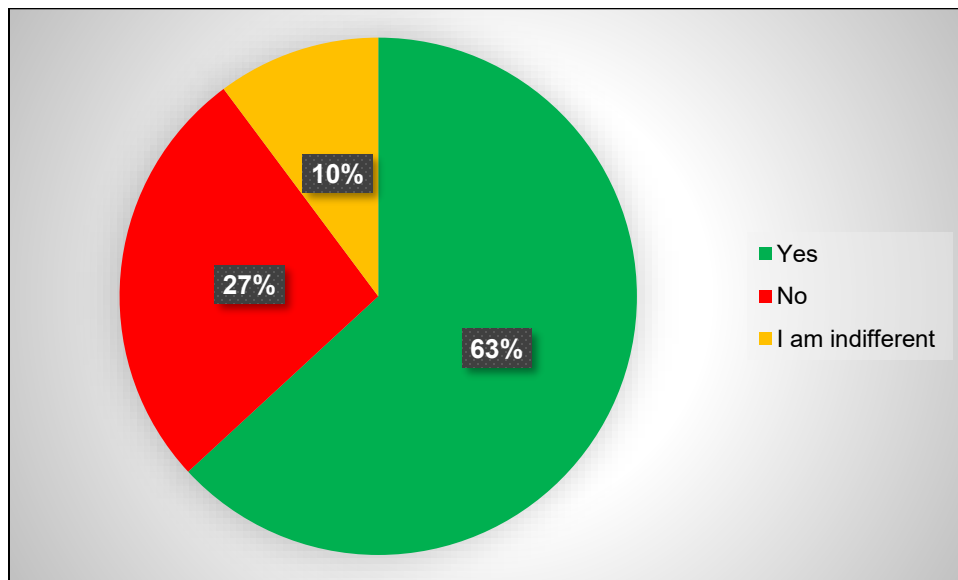
*Total Number of Responses – 567



3. The purpose of this study is to recommend permanent roadway modifications intended to improve safety, primarily by reducing vehicular speeds along McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street. Are you supportive of traffic calming study along McBean Street?

Response	Total % of responses	Total # of responses
Yes	63%	161
No	27%	68
I am indifferent	10%	26

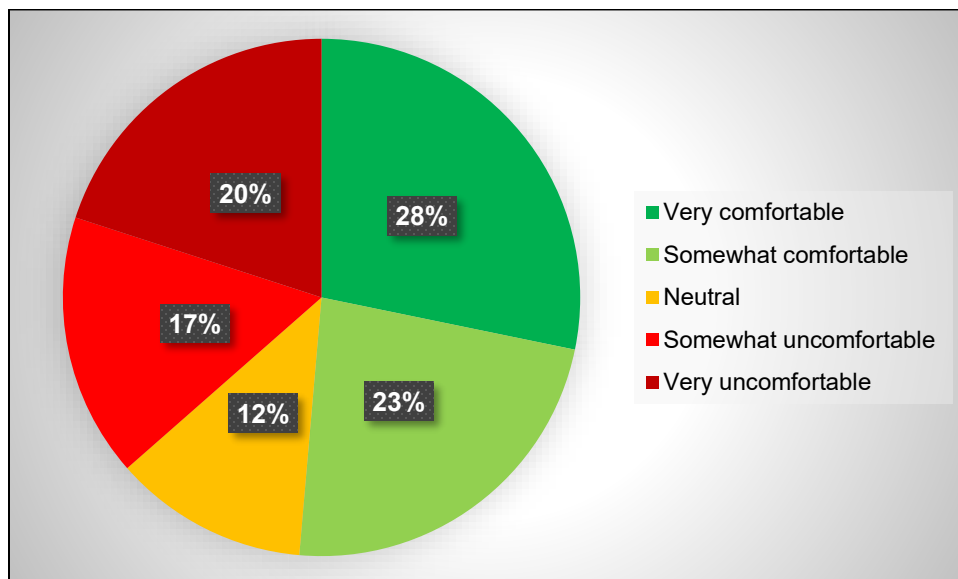
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4. Please indicate your level of comfort for the proposed concept plan.

Response	Total % of responses	Total # of responses
Very comfortable	28%	72
Somewhat comfortable	23%	59
Neutral	12%	31
Somewhat uncomfortable	17%	42
Very uncomfortable	20%	51

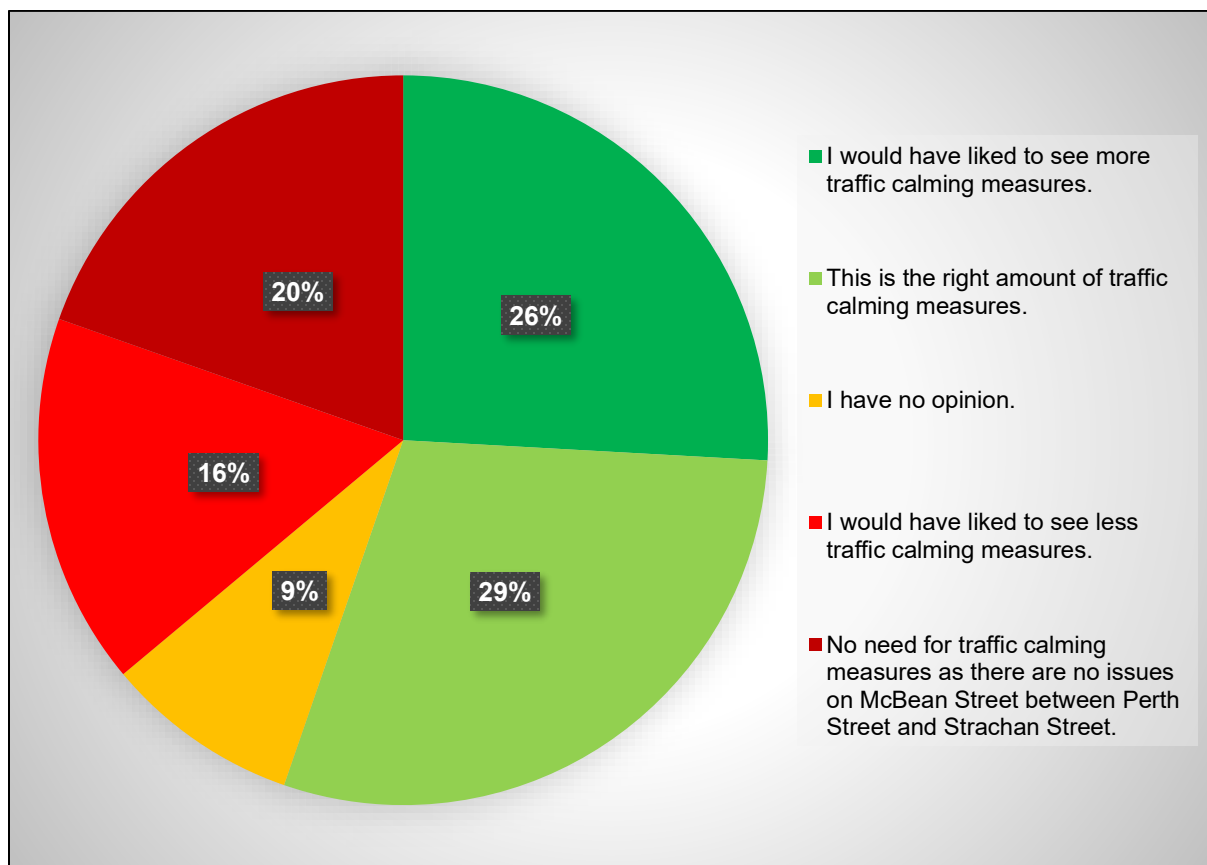
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5. Please indicate your observations.

Response	Total % of responses	Total # of responses
I would have liked to see more traffic calming measures.	26%	66
This is the right amount of traffic calming measures.	29%	75
I have no opinion.	9%	22
I would have liked to see less traffic calming measures.	16%	42
No need for traffic calming measures as there are no issues on Halifax.	20%	50

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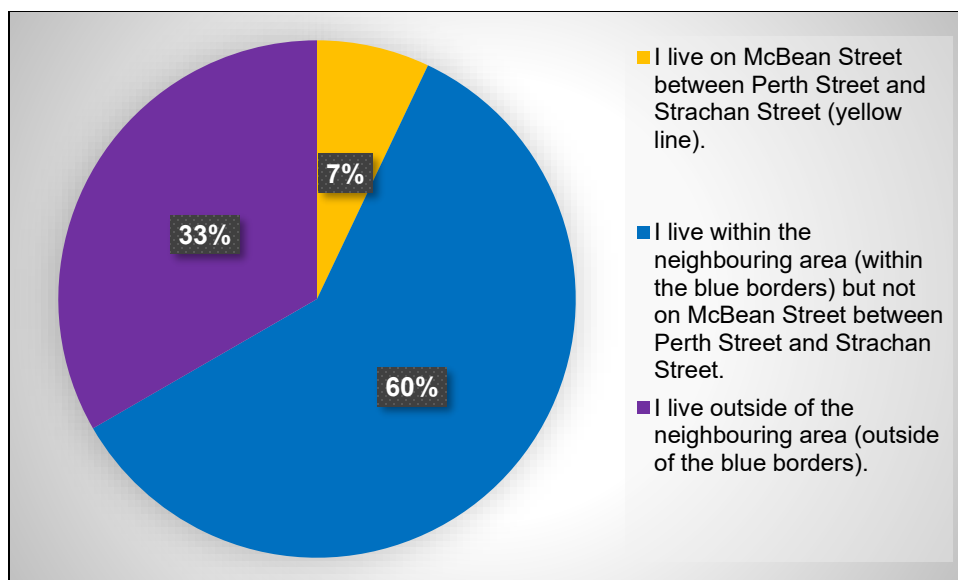


6. Where do you live in relation to this project's study area? This information will be used to help determine the general geographical distribution of respondents who complete the survey.



Response	Total % of responses	Total # of responses
I live on McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street (yellow line).	7%	18
I live within the neighbouring area (within the blue borders) but not on McBean Street between Perth Street and Strachan Street.	60%	152
I live outside of the neighbouring area (outside of the blue borders).	33%	85

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7. Do you have any general comments regarding the overall proposed traffic calming concept plan or any comments about specific proposed measures at particular locations? Please do not include your address or other personal information. A response to this question is not required.

Issues

Category	Comment	# of Respondents
Cycling	Cyclists ignore stop signs.	1
Driver Behaviour	Lots of aggressive driving.	6
	Drivers ignore stop controls.	4
	Speeding and aggressive driving during high school lunchtime and end of day.	3
	Drivers ignore the stop sign at Colonel Murray Street.	1
	School buses speed.	1
Intersection Control	Advance signals at Perth Street and McBean Street are too short.	1
Intersection Safety	Dangerous conditions at Shea Road and Perth Street.	1
Miscellaneous	Infrastructure improvements are needed to keep up with new developments.	4
	Excessive vehicle noise.	1
	Needs of residents should be prioritized over convenience of farming equipment access.	1
	Stakeholders not clearly defined within proposal.	1

Parking	Business and school parking is contributing to traffic congestion.	1
	Limited pick-up/drop-off space.	1
Pedestrian	Unsafe pedestrian conditions.	4
	Worried for children's safety.	3
	Pedestrians feel unsafe crossing McBean Street.	3
	Pedestrians jaywalk.	1
Speeding	Speeding on Perth Street	24
	Speeding on McBean Street.	11
	General speeding around the village of Richmond.	5
	Speeding on Royal York Street.	2
	Speeding on Franktown Road.	1
	Speeding on Martin Street.	1
	Speeding on Moore Street.	1
	Speeding on Nixon Farm Drive.	1
	Speeding on Shea Road.	1
	Speeding on Richmond.	1
	Speeding on Strachan Street.	1
	Speeding on Meynell Road.	1
	Drivers do not slow down when entering the village.	1
	Speeding on Fortune Street.	1
	Speeding specifically between Ottawa Street and Royal York Street.	2
Temporary Measures	Speed board does not reflect change in speed limit between school hours and regular hours.	1
Traffic Volume	Heavy traffic volume on Perth Street.	17
	General traffic volume around the village of Richmond.	3
	Cut-through traffic on Cockburn Street.	1
	Cut-through traffic on King Street.	1
	Cut-through traffic on Martin Street.	1
	Cut-through traffic on Strachan Street.	1
	Left turn wait times are increasing traffic congestion.	1
Visibility	On-street parking obscures pedestrians.	2
	Cars parked at the corner of intersections severely reduce visibility.	1
	Difficulty turning right onto Martin Street while travelling southbound on McBean Street due to the blind corner.	1

Proposed Roadway Modifications

Category	Comment	# of Respondents
Cycling	Road narrowing at intersections will increase interactions between drivers and cyclists.	4
Driver Behaviour	Proposed measures will contribute to road rage.	1
Intersection Control	Intersection narrowings will not slow traffic.	1
Intersection Safety	Intersection narrowings will require additional winter maintenance to maintain usability.	2
	Narrowings at Christopher Hamilton Street and McBean Street will conflict with frequent business parking.	1
Miscellaneous	Supports proposed plan.	24
	Perth Street is a bigger concern than McBean Street.	11
	Proposed measures are a cash grab/waste of resources.	10
	Does not support proposed measures.	3
	Proposed measures will not age well as Richmond grows.	2
	A cost-benefit analysis should be conducted before any implementation occurs.	1
	Proposal should include collected data to justify need for traffic calming measures.	1
	Proposed measures should aim to preserve character of the existing street.	1
	Children need to learn road safety.	1
	Improve PDF accessibility for ease of constituent review.	1
Parking	Opposes parking restrictions.	2
Pedestrian	Opposes sidewalk widening.	1
Permanent Measures	Prefers speed camera to speed cushions.	8
	Proposed measures will make it difficult for farm equipment to travel along McBean Street.	7
	Opposes intersection narrowings.	6
	Opposes street narrowings.	4
	Permanent measures will make turns for large vehicles challenging.	4
	Prefers road paint as a narrowing measure.	2
	Proposed measures will slow emergency vehicle response times.	2

Proposed measures	Opposes indiscriminate traffic calming measures.	1
Speed Cushions	Speed cushions cause vehicle damage.	6
	Opposes speed cushions.	5
	Speed cushions will not effectively reduce the speed of large vehicles.	3
	Supports speed cushions.	3
	Speed cushions increase traffic noise.	2
	Speed cushions will make winter maintenance more difficult.	1
Speeding	Speeding is not an issue.	18
	Proposed measures will not reduce speeds.	4
	Opposes speed reduction.	2
Traffic Calming	Proposed measures should not interfere with parade routes.	3
	McBean Street is a major thoroughfare and should not be subject to traffic calming measures.	2
	Proposed measures will worsen congestion.	2
	Proposed measures will divert traffic to nearby side streets.	2
	Speed reduction is not worth the cost.	1
	Traffic calming measures will worsen speeding elsewhere on McBean Street.	1
	Traffic calming is not effective.	1

Suggestions

Category	Comment	# of Respondents
Cycling	Implement bike lanes on McBean Street.	3
	Implement bike lanes on Perth Street.	2
Driver Behaviour	Education programs are needed for high school drivers.	1
Enforcement	Supports speed cameras on McBean Street.	26
	More police enforcement is needed.	13
	Opposes speed cameras.	11
	Speed camera should have been installed on McBean Street instead of Ottawa Street.	6
	Supports speed cameras on Perth Street	3
	Implement motion-activated cameras to detect accidents.	1
	Open an aggressive driving tip line.	1
	Implement a red-light camera at Perth Street and McBean Street.	1
	Opposes police enforcement.	1
Intersection Control	Connect the speed board to traffic lights, triggering a red light when speeding is detected.	1
	Implement stop signs at intersections.	1
Intersection Safety	Improve intersection control at Perth Street/Richmond Road and Eagleson Road.	2
	Improve turning lanes at Perth Street and Eagleson Road.	1
	Implement traffic lights at Kings Plaza.	1
Miscellaneous	Wider access to public transportation is needed.	2
	Extend measures past Dobson Lane.	1
	Improve public transit coverage and frequency in the area.	1
	Stop issuing building permits.	1
	Implement harsher licensing standards.	1
	Implement OC Transpo stop at Perth Street and Meynell Road.	1
	Create more local job opportunities.	1
Parking	Widen McBean Street to ease pick-up/drop-off.	1
	Move school pick-up/drop-off location from McBean Street to side streets.	1
	Reinstate parking restrictions at the corner of McBean Street and Martin Street.	1

Pedestrian	Implement a signalized crosswalk at Strachan Steet and McBean Street.	3
	Implement lights at Shea Road and Perth Street.	3
	Widen sidewalks.	3
	Implement sidewalk connections to the Fox Run development and more sidewalks within the development.	2
	Implement a footbridge over the Jock River.	1
	More crosswalks are needed on Perth Street.	1
	Need crossing guards around Richmond Public School.	1
Road Conditions	Repair/resurface roads.	1
Speeding	Establish consistent 40km/h speed limit between Strachan Street and Perth Street.	2
	Increase speed limit to 60km/h.	1
Temporary Measures	Implement flex stakes.	1
Traffic Calming	Extend traffic calming measures to Ottawa Street.	11
	Implement traffic calming measures on Perth Street.	4
	Increase scope of traffic calming area to reduce cut-through traffic.	1
	Implement traffic calming on Nixon Farm Drive.	1
	Conduct a traffic calming study on Shea Road.	1
	Implement traffic calming on Ottawa Street West.	1
	Implement traffic calming on Fortune Street.	1
	Implement a road diet.	1
	Implement a roundabout at Eagleson Road.	1
	Implement traffic calming measures on Royal York Street.	1
Visibility	Increase nighttime lighting.	1
	Increase visibility of school zone signs.	1