

ANC3C Resolution 2023-0XX
Resolution Regarding Traffic Calming Measures on 33rd PI. NW and around Eaton
Elementary School
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Whereas, 33rd PI NW between Lowell St NW and Woodley Rd NW is designated as “Local” by the District of Columbia, Department of Transportation (DDOT);

Whereas, traffic on this blocks is exacerbated due to the road being parallel to 34th St. NW and drivers using it to connect between Macomb St. NW and Woodley St. NW;

Whereas, the affected area raises numerous safety concerns within a residential area, including speeding and aggressive driving;

Whereas, the affected area is residential with significant pedestrian and bicycle traffic, including children and seniors, who are more vulnerable to traffic injuries and fatalities.

Whereas, there is an extra presence of pedestrians who are children as Eaton Elementary School is on this block;

Whereas, between 2010 to 2022, there were over 21 crashes reported on this block;¹

Whereas, 33rd PI NW between Lowell St NW and Woodley Rd NW is designated one-way going south but many drivers are observed going the wrong way to avoid 34th St NW;

Whereas, anecdotal evidence and observance by ANC Commissioner for 3C05 Sauleh Siddiqui, Eaton Elementary School staff, and neighbors has shown that many cars fail to stop at speed along this road;

Whereas, residents have submitted 311 requests with number 23-00291957.

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School has a student population (SY 2023-2024) of 435 with approximately 75% in-boundary students and approximately 25% out of boundary students;

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School has two crossing guards posted at the intersection of 34th St NW/ Lowell St. NW and 34th St NW/ Macomb St NW

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School has morning, afternoon, and evening hours pickup and dropoff on multiple locations on 34th St NW, Lowell St NW, and 33rd PI NW;

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School worked with the DC Safe Routes to School Program to deploy traffic calming measures at this site but that plan was never implemented;

¹ <https://opendata.dc.gov/datasets/crashes-in-dc/explore?location=38.932462%2C-77.064546%2C18.00>

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School deployed their own traffic safety plan to protect children, parents, staff, and teachers but DDOT stopped their plan, thereby causing danger to the community;

Whereas, Eaton Elementary School staff has submitted a 311 request with number 2300346136 to request one-way signage on Lowell St. NW to help with traffic calming;

Whereas, immediate traffic calming and planning is needed on this block before school starts in the fall.

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C calls on the District Department of Transportation to timely collect data and complete its review of the outstanding requests related to traffic safety issues on 33rd PI NW between Lowell St NW and Woodley Rd NW and around Eaton Elementary School.

Be it further Resolved that ANC 3C recognizes the community support for traffic calming measures, including speed humps on 33rd PI NW between Lowell St NW and Woodley Rd NW, speed tables at intersections around Eaton Elementary School, and calls on the District Department of Transportation to promptly install appropriate traffic calming measures along this street.

Be it further Resolved that ANC 3C calls on the District Department of Transportation to consider all other traffic calming measures, including raised crosswalks with painted markings, better visual signs, improved lighting, curb bump outs at the intersection to prevent speeding and cars going the wrong way on a one-way street, school zone signs with reduced speed limits, speed and red-light cameras, synchronization of traffic lights and any other appropriate measures on 33rd PI NW between Lowell St NW and Woodley Rd NW and other locations around Eaton Elementary School.

Be it further Resolved that ANC 3C calls on the District Department of Transportation to work with Eaton Elementary School to immediately implement their traffic calming plan, including one-way signage on Lowell St NW.

Be it further Resolved that ANC 3C urges DDOT to complete all requested safety studies in ANC 3C.

Be It Resolved that the ANC authorizes the Chair and the Commissioner for 3C05 to represent the Commission on this matter.