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Background

For a number of years, Parkwood residents have been concerned about safety on Parkwood Drive (PWD), especially drivers speeding and running stop signs at the intersection of Saul Road and Parkwood Drive. Despite studies by the Department of Transportation (MCDOT) and periodic monitoring by District 2 police, no permanent solutions were implemented. However, when some residents of Kensington Estates raised similar concerns, MCDOT proposed a plan for improving vehicle and pedestrian safety on PWD from Saul Road to Brookfield Lane. Parkwood residents welcomed the opportunity to join Kensington Estates in evaluating the plan.

Basis for the Plan: Proactive Safety Enhancements

MCDOT has two categories for improving safety: 1) Remediation of an identified safety problem and 2) Improvements intended to proactively enhance safety.
The plan for Parkwood Drive falls into the second category.

Purpose of the Survey

MCDOT works with the community associations to receive feedback from residents regarding their views of its plans. The purpose of this survey is to understand residents' opinions of the plan and its various components, and to learn how it might negatively affect some residents. MCDOT has committed to not implementing measures that might have negative impacts on specific households. Survey results will be shared with MCDOT and the residents of both communities. The results will inform but not dictate the portions of the plan that are finally implemented. They will form the basis for further discussions with MCDOT.

Why Another Survey

A survey of opinions of MCDOT s initial plan conducted in the spring of 2026 resulted in responses from 200+ residents. MCDOT s revised plan includes speed humps, which were not in the first plan. Also, there are almost 1500 homes in Parkwood and Kensington Estates combined. Whatever elements of this plan are eventually implemented, they will have an impact our communities for many years. It is hoped that many more residents will participate in this survey.

Outline of the Survey

Introduction: Request for personal info: email, name, address, community, etc.
Section 1: How do you use PWD, how often, what concerns do you have?
Section 2: What is your overall view of the plan and its specific proposed changes, e.g., curb extensions, speed humps, etc.?
Section 3: What are your opinions about specific improvements proposed for specific segments of Parkwood Drive. These questions have links to the diagram of each segment so you can see where the TCM is proposed.
Section 4: What impact will the plan have on you directly, either positively, negatively or mixed.