



FOREST HOME TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN UPDATE

DECEMBER 18, 2025



AGENDA

INTRODUCTIONS

BACKGROUND TO UPCOMING STUDY

Q & A w/ ITHACA'S DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

SUMMARY



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BUILDING ON SUCCESS:

***IMPROVEMENTS THRU
PARTNERSHIPS***

TRAFFIC BUMPS & ENTRANCE FEATURES





FOREST HOME PARK



FOREST HOME WALK- WAY



HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- 1/TSU
- - REDUCE TRAFFIC
 - - CHARADE NIGHT @ FHC
 - SIDEWALKS & BETTER SIDEWALKS
(sim Mulholland)
 - - REDUCE # OF ROAD SIGNS
 - - FHIA LISTSERV GROUP FOR "STUFF"
- SELLING/GIVING/ETC
 - - CLEAN UP GARBAGE !! ••
 - - ANNUAL YARD/GARAGE SALE
•••• @ FHP & FHC LOT
 - - EXAMINE & REVISE BYLAWS
 - - POTLUCK DINNERS @ FHC.

- 3/SU
- - ADD OFFICERS TO FHIA
(VOLUNTEER OUTREACH COORD, EG.)
 - - NEARBY TCAT BUS STOP
 - - TRAFFIC CALMING ••••
 - - PAVED SIDEWALKS FHD & JFR
 - - NARROW DRIVING LANES
 - - REDUCE SPEED LIM. TO 15mph
 - - POKER NIGHT AT FHC.
 - - BUILD SMALL LABYRINTH IN FHP.
(UNOBTRUSIVE)
 - - BETTER ENFORCEMENT OF (10mph?)
CORNER
 - - MORE COMMUNITY GATHERINGS ••



2024

- Herb E. convenes *Infrastructure Working Group*
- Community-wide planning study
- Charlie T. holds initial discussions with Town & CU

2025

- FHIA Board approves Planning Study Report
- Town convenes **Steering Committee** to develop an up-to-date plan to address FH priorities



STEERING COMMITTEE ROLE AND ACTIVITIES

ROLE: Ensure alignment of FH goals and Town policies, act as stakeholder liaison, secure funding, manage consultants

ACTIVITIES IN 2025:

- Regular meetings
- Secured funding for initial phase (Park Fund, Town)
- Issued Request for Qualifications (consultant)

FHIA GROUPS INVOLVED





WHY AN UPDATED PLAN?

- Needed for funding
- Changes in:
 - Costs of materials & labor
 - Codes
 - Technology
 - Vehicle types
 - New faces
 - External conditions (development, bridge closure)



WHY DO WE NEED A CONSULTANT?

- To bring the technical skills and resources required for high quality results
- To manage variations in opinions and approaches in a transparent and democratic manner
- To help remove barriers to community engagement

TIMELINE





KEY TAKEAWAYS

- **Overarching goal to improve Quality of Life, via**
 - Reducing impacts of traffic
 - Improving safety for vulnerable road users
 - Enhancing beauty of our streetscape
- **Town has been a responsive & supportive partner**
- **Inclusive and representative community engagement is critical in this process - consultant role**



Q & A WITH CJ RANDALL





