

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 23, 2018
TO: Diane Dolan
FROM: Sara Lavy
SUBJECT: Memo Amendment to Martineztown- Santa Barbara Traffic Study
CC:
PROJECT NUMBER: 564-4354-017
PROJECT NAME: Martineztown-Santa Barbara Traffic Study

The following memo addresses the issues presented in a letter sent to the City of Albuquerque from the Santa Barbara Martineztown Neighborhood Association, dated September 26, 2017, that was inadvertently left out of the Martineztown – Santa Barbara Traffic Study. The issues identified by the neighborhood association are summarized below, in bold text, with comments on how each issue has been addressed as follows.

- 1. The existing radar speed signs on Mountain Road should remain on to remind drivers of the 25 mph speed limit. There was discussion in the past of turning off the radar speed boards.**
Currently the City has no intention of turning the radar boards off. They should be placed to maintain good visibility.
- 2. Crosswalks for Career Enrichment Center and Albuquerque High School.**
It was not clear from the letter where students are crossing Mountain Road and where the crosswalks should be located. Mid-block crosswalks are generally discouraged for safety reasons. If the City feels crosswalks are necessary, pedestrian counts can be taken to determine where new crosswalks should be located and the appropriate signing and striping needed.
- 3. Roundabout at Mountain Road and Woodward Place**
Adding a roundabout at the intersection Mountain Road and Woodward Place was not in the original scope of this project and was not studied in detail. The intersection is a T-intersection and a roundabout at this location would require a realignment of Mountain Road which would require right-of-way acquisition from the southern property owner.
- 4. Roundabout at Mountain Road and Edith Boulevard**
A roundabout in this location was not part of the original scope of the project and was not studied in detail. Adding a roundabout at Mountain Road and Edith Boulevard would require acquiring right-of-way from adjacent property owners to allow for design elements.
- 5. Center median on Mountain between Edith Boulevard and Broadway Boulevard**
Three options are presented in the report for the portion of Mountain Road between Edith Boulevard and Broadway Boulevard. All the options include a striped center median. The median is shown as striped so it can function as a two way left turn lane due to the multiple businesses and residences along Mountain Road that require access to their properties. In addition, one option included wider sidewalks on the

south side of Mountain road. The options presented are conceptual and will be further developed during design.

6. Center median/pedestrian refuge at intersection with South Frontage Road

The South Frontage Road is owned and maintained by the NMDOT and is outside the scope of this study.

7. Add “No 5-ton Trucks” sign on Mountain Road

There is one “No Trucks” sign mounted with a speed limit sign on westbound Mountain near the entrance to the Career Enrichment Center. Additional signs could be added along westbound and eastbound Mountain Road near the Broadway intersection.

8. Add turn signals at Mountain Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection

Restriping Broadway Boulevard to add left turn lanes and adding left turn signals at this intersection is a recommendation in the traffic study.