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TO: Mayor & Council

FROM: Mitch Wasserman

DATE: January 4, 2017

SUBJ: TRAFFIC SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

BACKGROUND:

At the December meeting the staff was asked to develop a report of the Traffic Sub-Committee's work for the benefit of the entire Council. The Council wanted the opportunity to be brought up to speed on what took place at the sub-committee meetings and understand the elements of a suggested approach to manage cut-through traffic and speeding issues throughout the community before being asked to take any further steps on this topic.

Traffic Engineer Eric Shimizu from DKS Associates, was invited to join the group at the January Council meeting. Aside from being an expert in his field, locally Eric has been the City's champion and SR-520 technical reviewer/advisor on all items relating to the 520 construction over the last seven years. He has also helped the City on a number of related traffic engineering projects. Because of his knowledge of our area and the 520 project, Eric acted as the Project Manager and his firm coordinated the 2016 joint traffic study with Medina. Additionally, Eric is part of the team that is tasked with upgrading the traffic signal at 24th/84th.

After this memo is a collection of information related to the work of the Traffic Sub-Committee. The staff and Eric are prepared to go over any of this information in detail but will be focusing on the attached slide presentation.

In addition, Rick, our new PW Director, attended the last Sub-Committee meeting and followed-up by obtaining some related information from the City of Mukilteo. This is good overall information so I've included it for your review as well.

COUNCIL'S DECISION:

Decide whether more work needs to be done on any part of the Plan & if so, describe what that might be.

If comfortable w/Plan and direction, then:

Consider a motion to authorize the staff to purchase 10 solar speed signs, implement a Communications Plan and investigate WSDOT's willingness to slow down the metering on the 84th /SR 520 ramp meter.