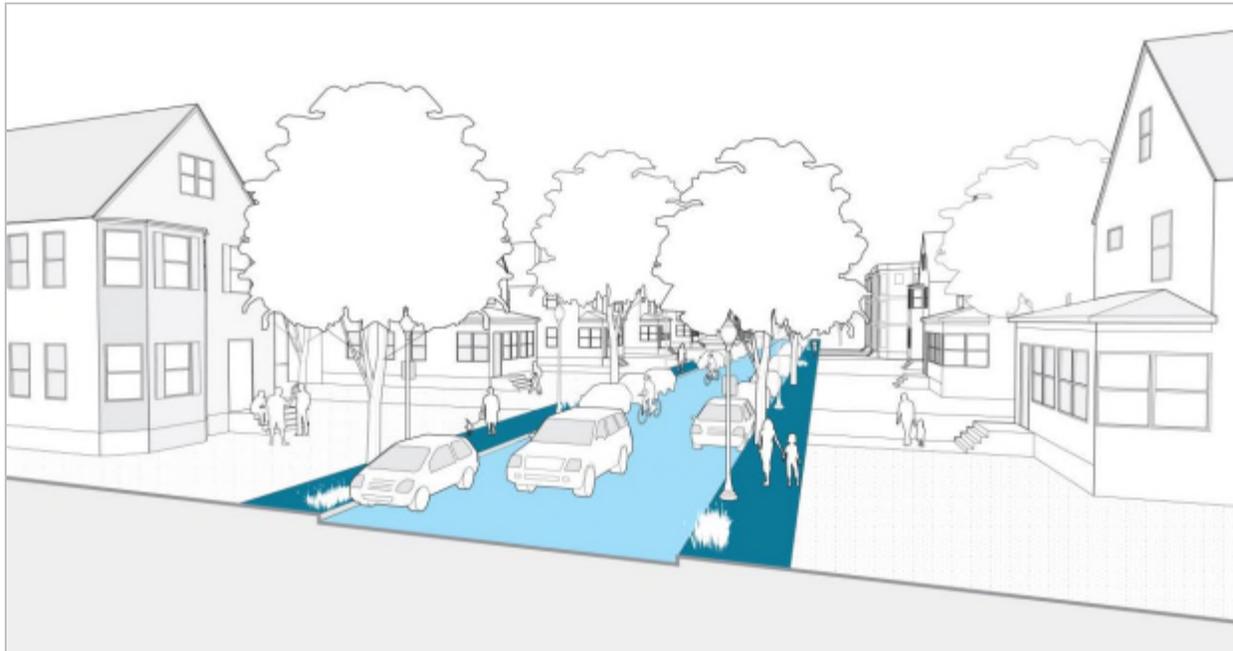


Neighborhood Slow Streets



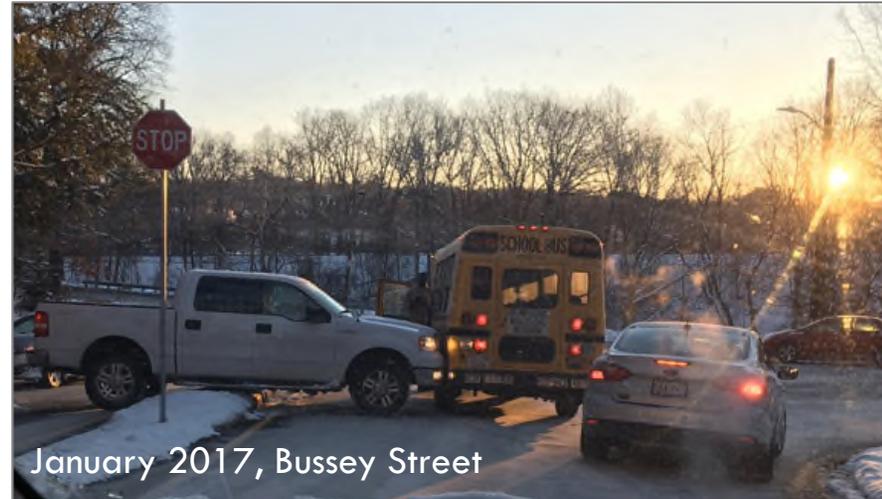
WalkUP Roslindale
Neighborhood Slow Streets – Informational Meeting
February 13, 2017

Introduction

- What is WalkUP Roslindale?
 - WalkUP = Walkable Urban Place
 - Who we are
 - What we've done



Why Are We Here?



Two pedestrian fatalities in Rosindale in 2016 (Washington/Blue Ledge & Morton/Canterbury).
Images from Universal Hub

Goals for Meeting

- Inform community about new program
- Encourage residents to:
 - advocate for improvements
 - open lines of communication with City
 - collaborate/meet neighbors
 - form new neighborhood traffic/safety groups



Agenda

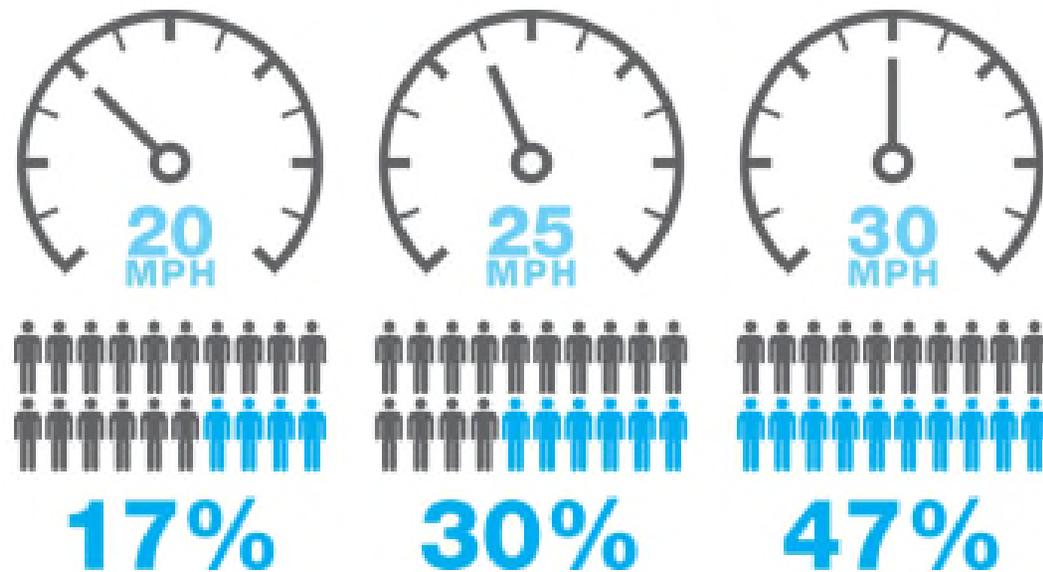
- Overview of Slow Streets Program
 - Background
 - Traffic Calming overview
 - Slow Zone Treatments
 - Application Process
 - Ideal Neighborhoods
 - City Process for Improvements
 - Previously selected neighborhoods
 - Assistance from WalkUP
 - Questions
- Opportunity to strategize/meet neighbors



Background

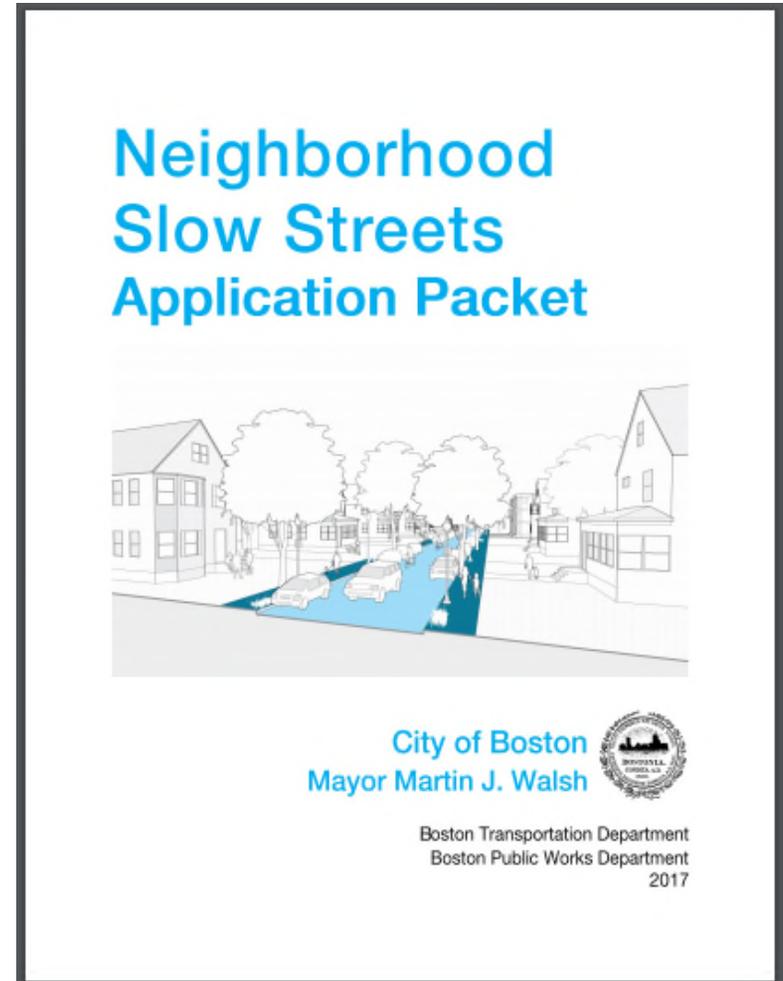
- Vision Zero
 - City wants zero roadway fatalities by 2030
 - Recently lowered speed limits to 25 mph

Likelihood of Serious Injury or Fatality If Struck By Driver Traveling at 20, 25, or 30 MPH



Background

- Slow Streets – New Program for City
 - Why: Requests from residents, advancing Vision Zero
 - Goals: Reduce crashes, lessen cut-through traffic impacts, add to quality of life, create 20 mph zones
 - How: Quick install, low-cost fixes, neighborhood approach – not one street



Traffic Calming

- “Street designs that self-enforce slower speeds and safer behaviors”
- Engineering solutions that go beyond signage and enforcement



Slow Zone Treatments

- Each Slow Streets zone will have:
 - “Welcome Mats”
 - Pavement markings and signage
 - Daylighting
 - Speed humps



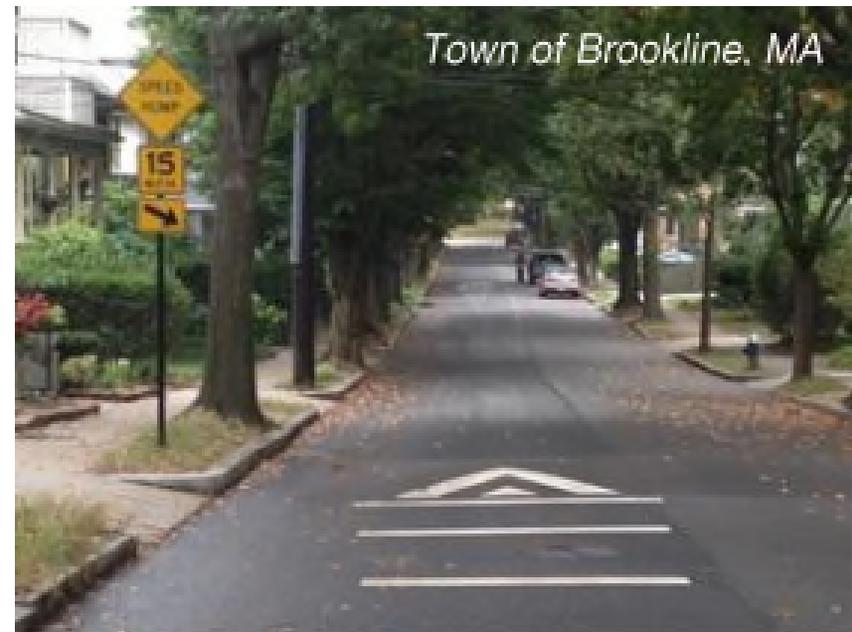
Slow Zone Treatments

- “Welcome Mats”
- Pavement Markings/ Signs



Slow Zone Treatments

- Daylighting
 - No parking within 20' of intersections
- Speed Humps
 - 4" tall, 12-14' long
 - Made for 20-25 mph



Possible Treatments

- Some Slow Streets zones will have:
 - Raised crosswalks
 - Raised intersections
 - Chicanes
 - Neighborhood traffic circles
 - Diverters
 - Changes to street direction
 - Street murals



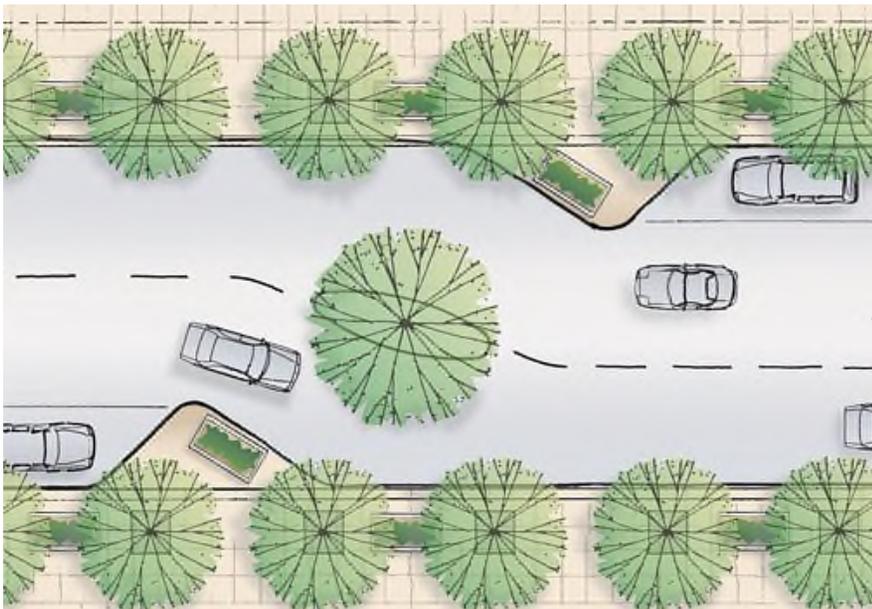
Possible Treatments

- Raised Crosswalks
 - Crosswalk is at sidewalk level
- Raised Intersections
 - Intersection is at sidewalk level



Possible Treatments

- Chicanes
 - “S” curve in roadway
- Neighborhood Traffic Circles



Possible Treatments

- Diverters
 - Temporary or permanent restriction
- Changes to street direction
 - One-ways may be reversed to limit cut-through traffic



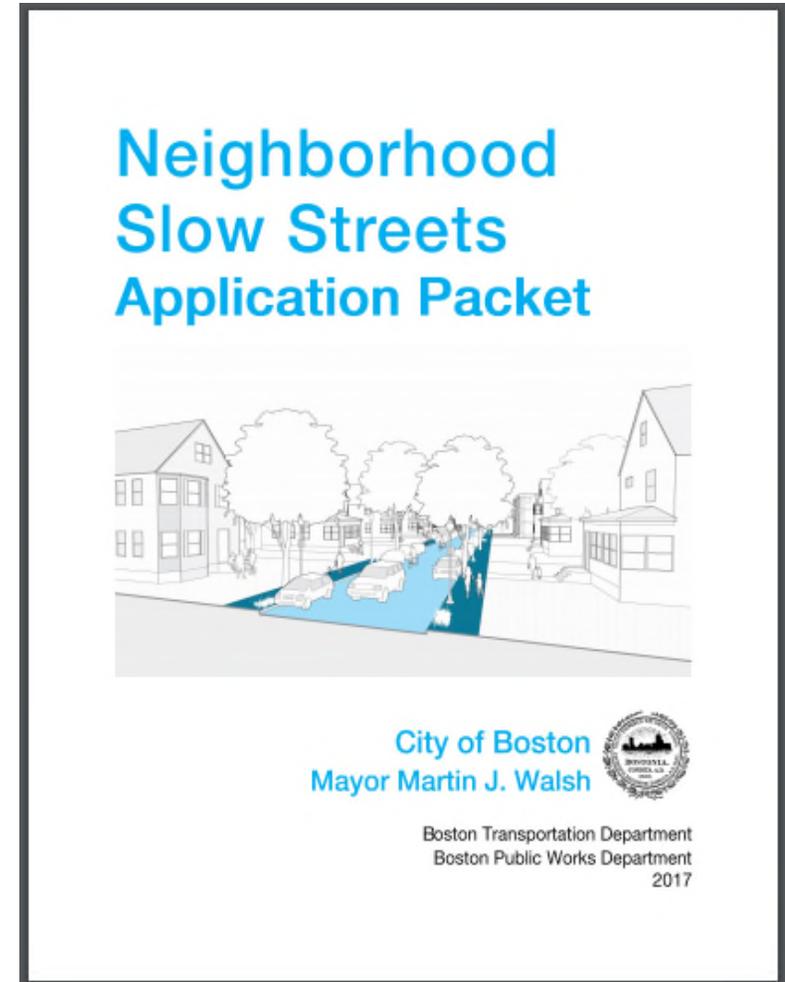
Possible Treatments

- Street Murals
 - Purely aesthetic
 - Not intended as traffic calming
 - Beautify space



Application Process

- Application available on WalkUP Roslindale website - or - search “Neighborhood Slow Streets Application Packet”
- Application due: [Friday, March 24](#)



Application Components

- Application Form
- Map of proposed Neighborhood Slow Zone
 - Identify schools, parks, community centers, hospitals, police stations, firehouses, etc.
 - Hospitals, firehouses, police stations, major bus routes should be on boundary streets only
- Address local concerns (speeding, etc)
- Letters of support from stakeholders
- Presentation to neighborhood
- Optional additional documentation (petition, surveys, etc)

Ideal Neighborhoods

- High number of youth/elderly
- Local destinations – parks, libraries, schools, community centers
- Streets are City-owned
- Residential streets internal to Slow Zone
- Well-defined boundaries:
 - busier streets, large parks/cemeteries, etc
- 10-15 blocks
- Who can apply?
 - Neighborhood associations, community organizations, faith-based institutions



City Process

- Evaluation Criteria
 - Community support
 - Households with ages <18 and >65
 - Presence of schools, parks, libraries, public housing
 - Proximity to rail/bus
 - Walking or biking routes present
 - Strong boundaries
 - Feasibility
- City selects 2-3 neighborhoods
- City will work with the local residents to identify problems and design solutions
- Implementation
- Process may take 2 years

Previously Selected Neighborhoods

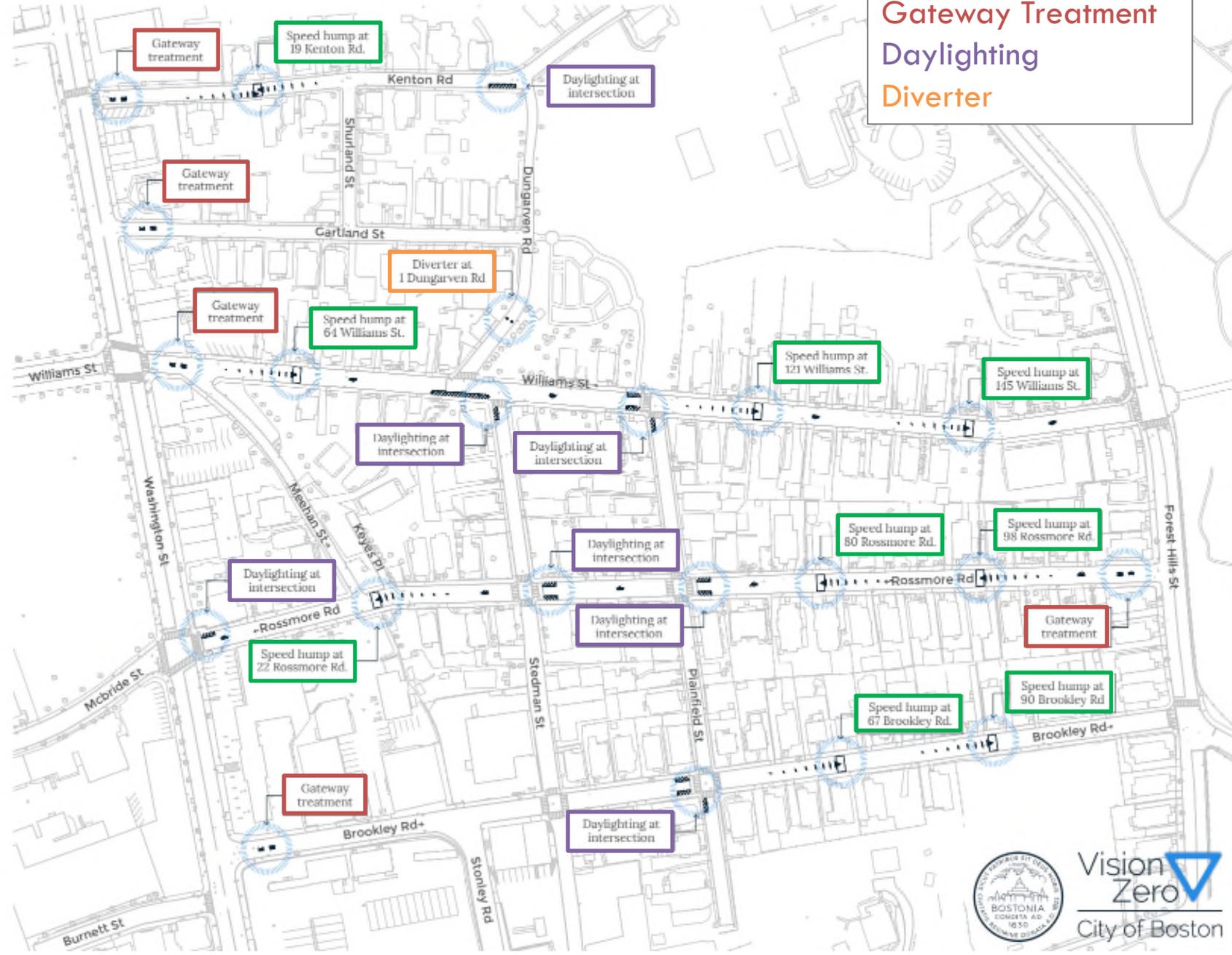
- JP – Stonybrook Neighborhood
- Proposed Plans include:
 - Gateway Treatment
 - Daylighting
 - Speed Humps
 - Shared lane markings
 - Diverter
 - Crosswalks



NEIGHBORHOOD SLOW STREETS

Stonybrook Traffic Calming Plan Map

Speed Hump
Gateway Treatment
Daylighting
Diverter



Vision Zero
City of Boston

Previously Selected Neighborhoods

- Dorchester – Talbot-Norfolk Triangle
- Proposed Plans include:
 - Gateway Treatment
 - Daylighting
 - Speed Humps
 - Raised Crosswalk
 - Chicane
 - Shared Lane markings
 - 4-way stop
 - Crosswalks
 - Parking lines





Speed Hump
 Chicane
 Raised Crosswalk

NEIGHBORHOOD SLOW STREETS

Talbot-Norfolk Triangle
 Traffic Calming Plan Map

How can WalkUP Roslindale help?

- Strategy Session at beginning of process

- Slow Street Neighborhood Boundaries

- Outreach list

- Letter of Support
- List of elected officials for your neighborhood
- Organize/attend a neighborhood meeting
- Assist with questions

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