

# Agenda

6:30 pm Introduction

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6:40 pm Presentation

Jennifer Draper (CNV)

7:00 pm Questions and Discussion

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# **Today's Presentation**

- a) Process Recap
- b) Traffic Management Measures and Outcomes
- c) Upcoming Input
- d) Next Steps





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# Traffic Management Plan Objective

Enhance safety and livability of the Cloverley neighbourhood by reducing volumes and speeds of traffic using local roads as a cut-through, while maintaining adequate access for local residents.

(September 2016)



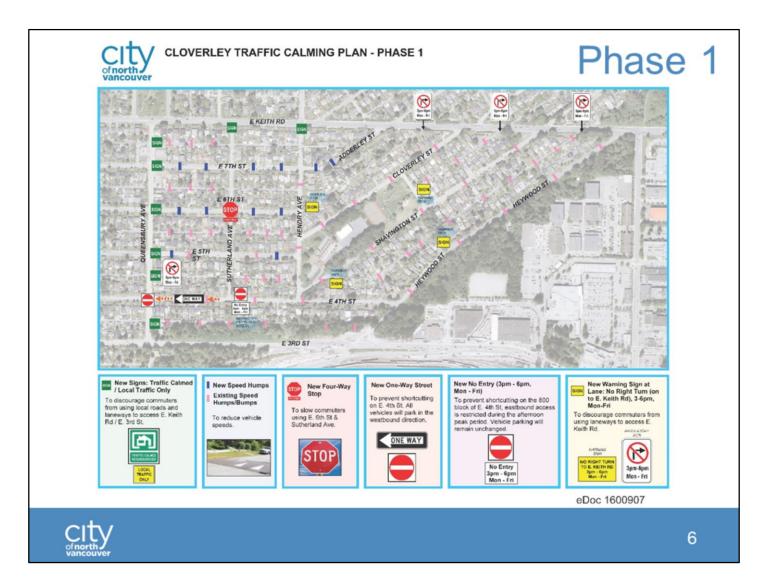


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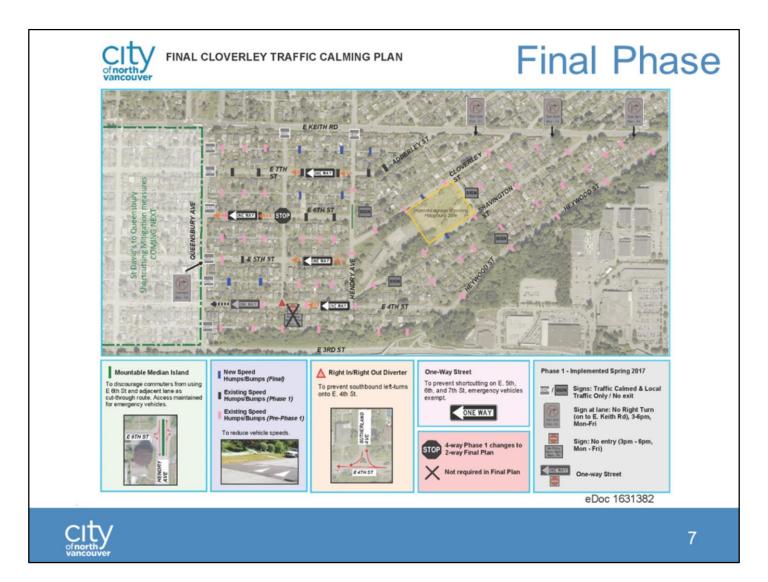
Traffic management requires a careful balance between access and restriction; more restrictions for drivers impacts both residents and shortcutters. This is why it is necessary to create a clear objective before a plan is developed, to capture this balance as agreed upon by the neighbourhood residents. The objective outline at the start of the Cloverley process clearly captures the community's interest in maintaining access for local residents, while also discouraging shortcutters.

### **Project Timeline** Traffic Project Phase 1 **Final Phase Input Period** Management Plan Conclusion Development Feedback 2016-2017 2017 2018 Winter 2019 Implementation Summer 2017 Summer 2018 Spring 2016 Summer 2018 Data Collection Fall 2017 Spring 2017 Fall 2018 Reporting Spring 2018 Winter 2019 5

This image outlines the access management process followed, beginning with plan development in 2016 through to today. Steps included public engagement and feedback, implementation of access management measures in two phases, and data collection and reporting on the impact of the measures. Following the community meetings this January and February, there will be an input period opportunity, as it is important for us to hear back from the community.



Phase 1 Plan implemented Summer 2017



Final Phase Plan implemented Summer 2018

## What have we heard?

We've heard a variety of responses.

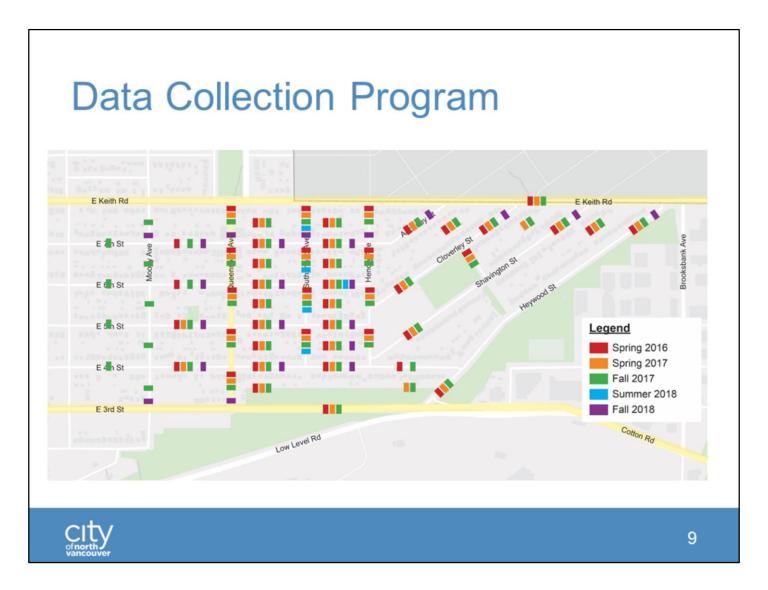
## Some frequent feedback included:

- Volume has shifted to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> street
- Our block has benefitted from the one-way measures
- Signage is being ignored
- Drivers are speeding down my laneway

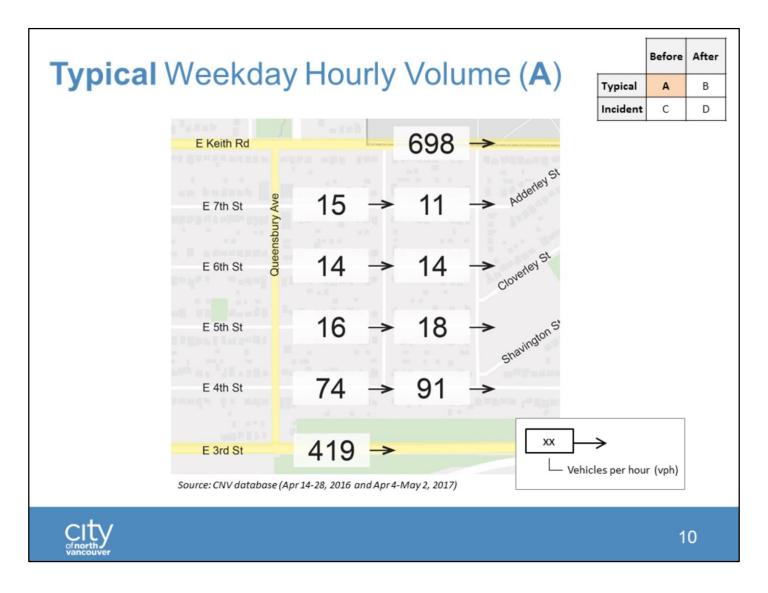


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As the process was developed and throughout the phased implementation, we have received a lot of feedback from the community that was very valuable. Over the past number of years we've met with and spoken with a lot of people. This slide does not highlight all of the comments, but here are a few key pieces of feedback we've received.



The above slide identifies the locations where volume and speed data was collected throughout the process.



The next four slides highlight specific traffic volume trends, specifically **eastbound** traffic on weekday afternoons on the 700 and 800 blocks of  $4^{th}$ ,  $5^{th}$ ,  $6^{th}$ , and  $7^{th}$ . Volumes have been expressed in **vehicles per hour (vph)**. For the presentation, we have focused on these blocks as a clear way of showing the trends before and after the implementation of traffic management measures, recognizing that the issues continue further east in the Cloverley neighbourhood.

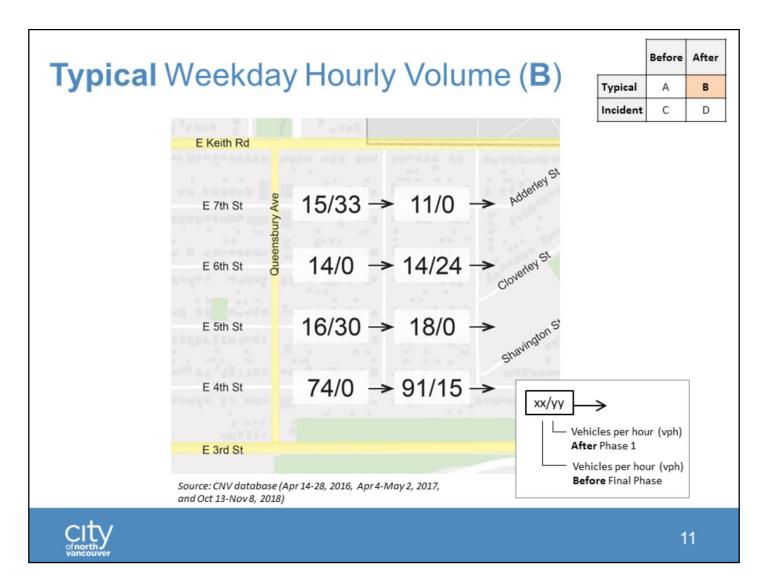
#### Key Terms:

- Typical Day: average weekday volume (3-6pm) on non-incident days.
- Incident Days: days where collisions on surrounding road network result in significant congestion on neighbourhood streets. Incident day volume reported as the maximum observed hourly volume.

Slide 10 represents vehicles per hour for a typical commute before access management measures were introduced.

#### Observations:

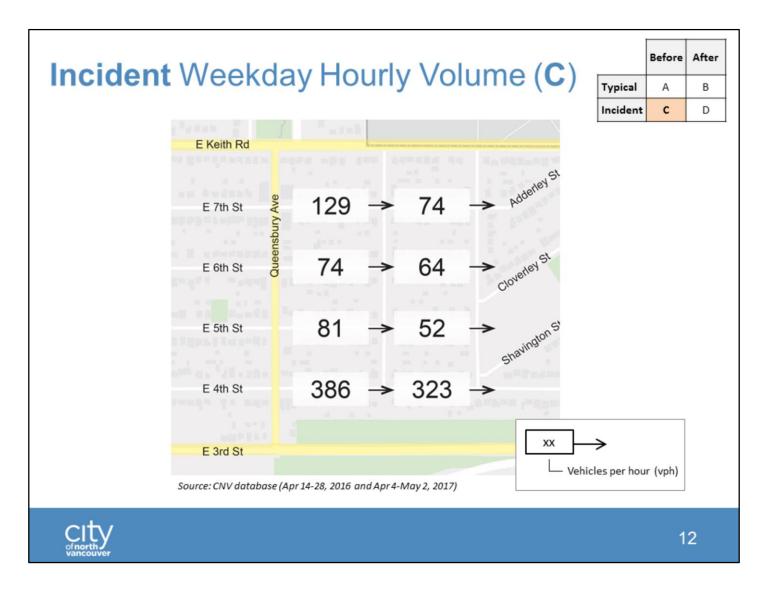
- 1. Hourly volumes are very low when compared to other neighbourhoods in Metro Vancouver. This is because the community has two parallel arterials with lots of capacity.
- 2. 4<sup>th</sup> carries more volume for local eastbound traffic for people making their way into the neighbouring streets as they come off of 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Represents vehicles per hour for a typical commute after measures were introduced (2018).

#### Observations:

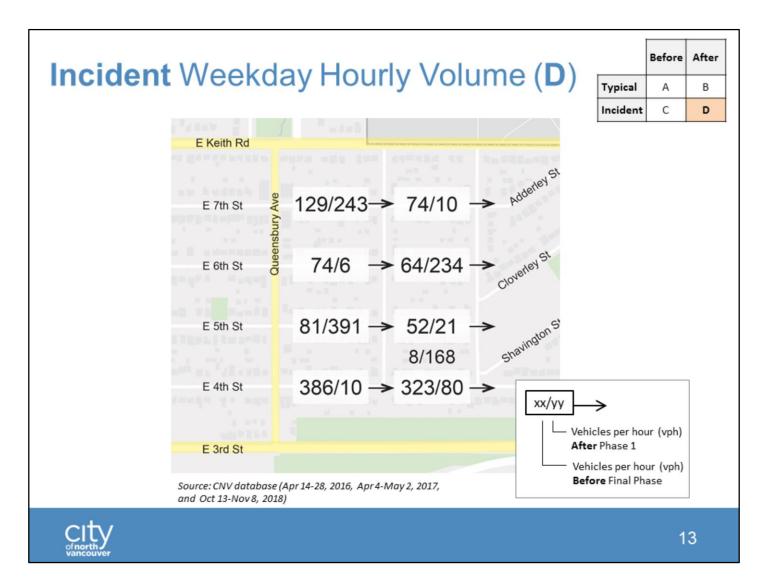
- 1. Hourly volumes are still very low when compared to other neighbourhoods in Metro Vancouver. This is because the community has two parallel arterials with lots of capacity.
- 2. Local traffic has primarily rerouted in response to the one-way restrictions, except for some drivers who disobey the one-way restrictions on 4<sup>th</sup> Street.



Represents vehicles per hour for an incident day commute before access management measures were introduced.

#### Observations:

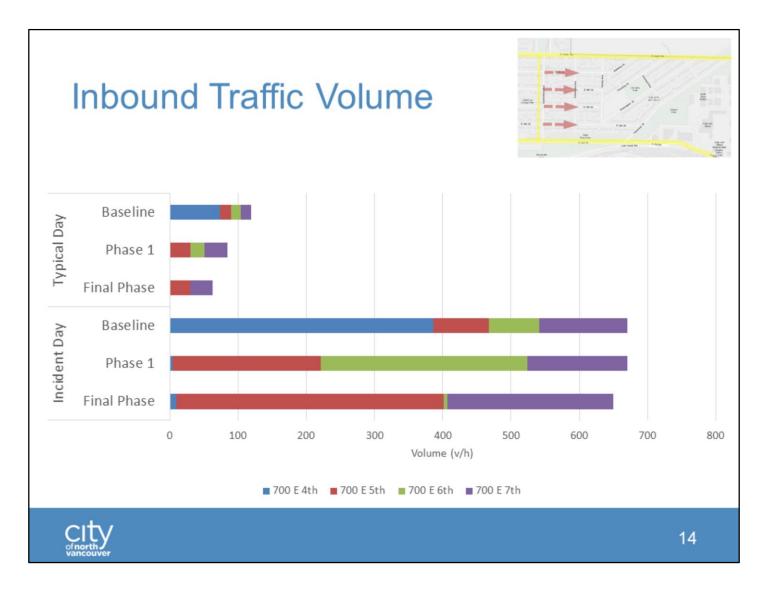
1. Shortcutting vehicles predominantly use 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Heywood Street to queue jump onto Keith Road.



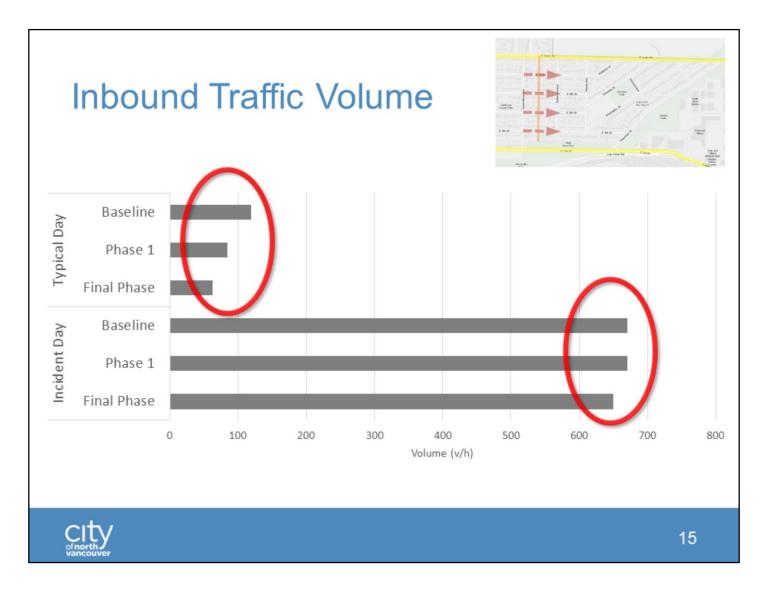
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#### Observations:

- 1. Redistribution of shortcutting traffic from 700 and 800 Blocks 4<sup>th</sup> Street to other blocks
- 2. Some traffic disobeying one-way restrictions
- 3. Use of laneways as shortcutting routes

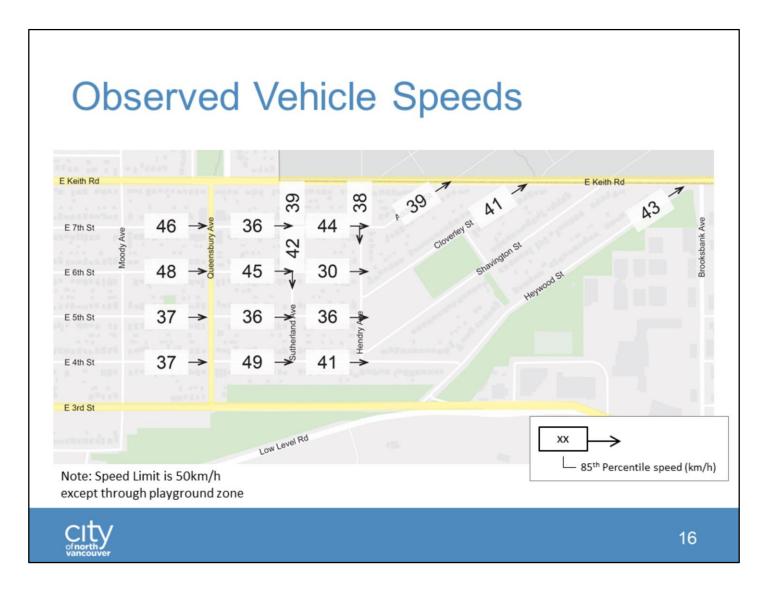


Summary of **eastbound** hourly volumes on the 700 blocks E 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>.



Aggregating the data from the previous slide (700 blocks of E 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>) allows us to easily make the following observations:

- 1. Eastbound volume entering the neighbourhood from Queensbury has reduced on typical days. This is likely explained by residents and visitors being impacted by the measures and taking different routes to get to their homes.
- **2. Eastbound** volume entering the neighbourhood has not significantly decreased with the installation of traffic restrictions.



Slide 16 shows the observed 85<sup>th</sup> percentile PM Peak vehicle speeds from the most recent Fall 2018 data collection. Posted speed limits on streets is 50 km/hr, except blocks adjacent to Cloverley School and Park which are 30km/h during posted hours.

#### **Key Terms:**

• 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed: the speed at or below which 85 percent of all vehicles are observed to travel.

## **Observations**

- Mitigation measures have not been effective enough to deter shortcutters
- Despite inconvenience, perception of vehicle moving and saved time is attractive to shortcutters
- More restrictive measures to reduce access in Cloverley and West of Queensbury would likely deter more shortcutters (should the community support increased inconvenience day to day)



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## Now What?

### Input

- · Gather preferences
- Themes: community level support, satisfaction, tolerance for further restrictions, willingness to continue

### Report to Council

- Detail process and outcomes
- Summarize public input, including survey preferences
- Recommendation to Council
- Opportunity for public input at Council



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Community input will be solicited through a survey which will be mailed out, by late February, to each household within the project area (Cloverley Community – East of Queensbury). Survey questions will gather preferences on themes noted above. Following the survey, Staff will submit a report to Council summarizing the process, data, input from the community and provide a recommendation.

## **Next Steps**

- Mail out input survey
- Timing for West of Queensbury



Mailout survey will be sent to every household east of Queensbury in late February. Residents will be able to complete the survey online, or return the paper copy to City Hall by mail or in person. West of Queensbury traffic management process is set to begin in Fall 2019, following Council input on the Cloverley process.





Project Website: www.cnv.org/Cloverley