

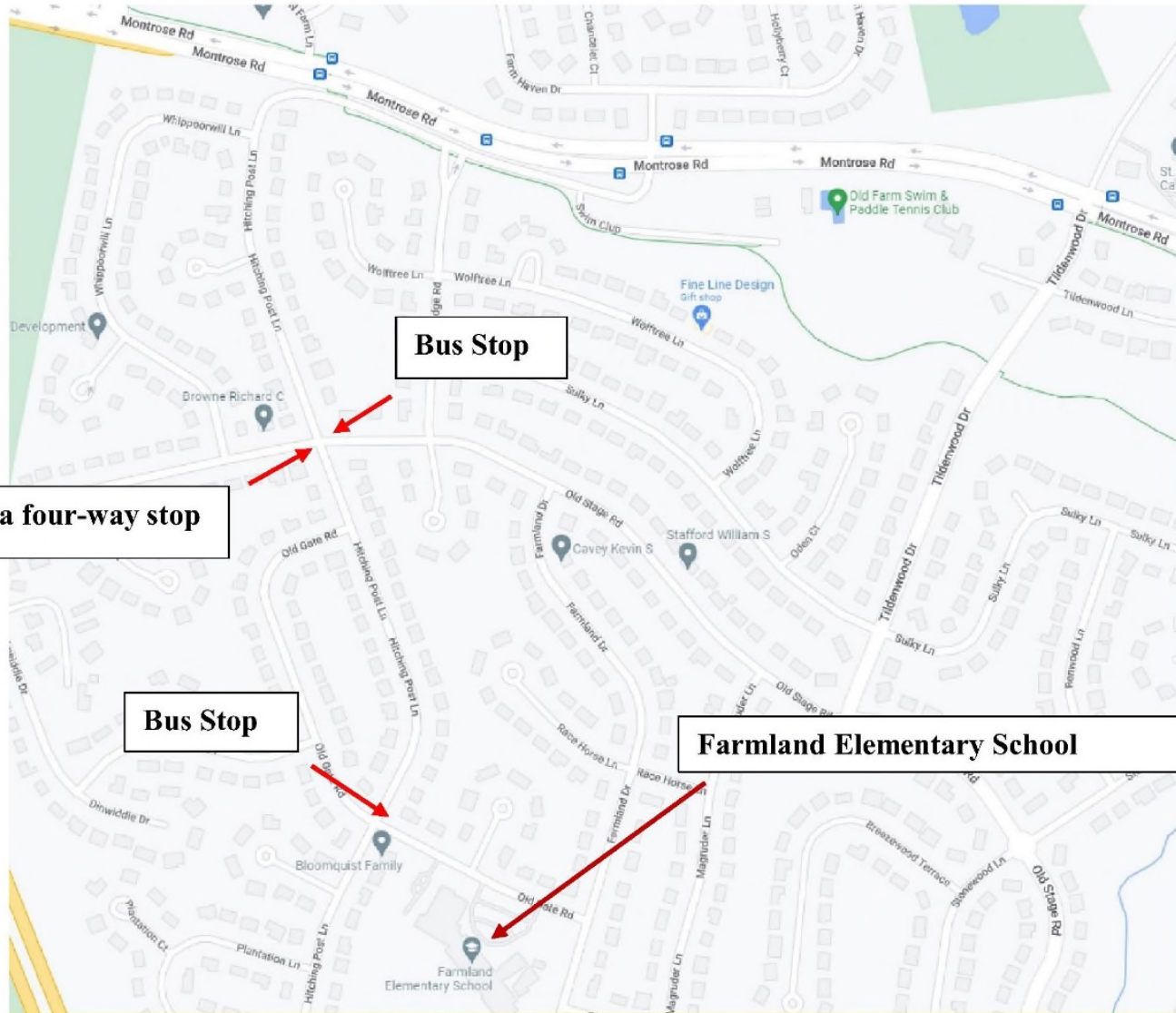
GFCA Traffic and Safety Committee

Community Meeting
September 14, 2022

Our Mission

The GFCA Board passed a resolution on September 21, 2021, that tasked the Committee

“to meet with MCDOT to come up with proposals to address the issues of pedestrian safety within the community, with an immediate mandate to consider Hitching Post Lane.”



Bus Stop

Not a four-way stop

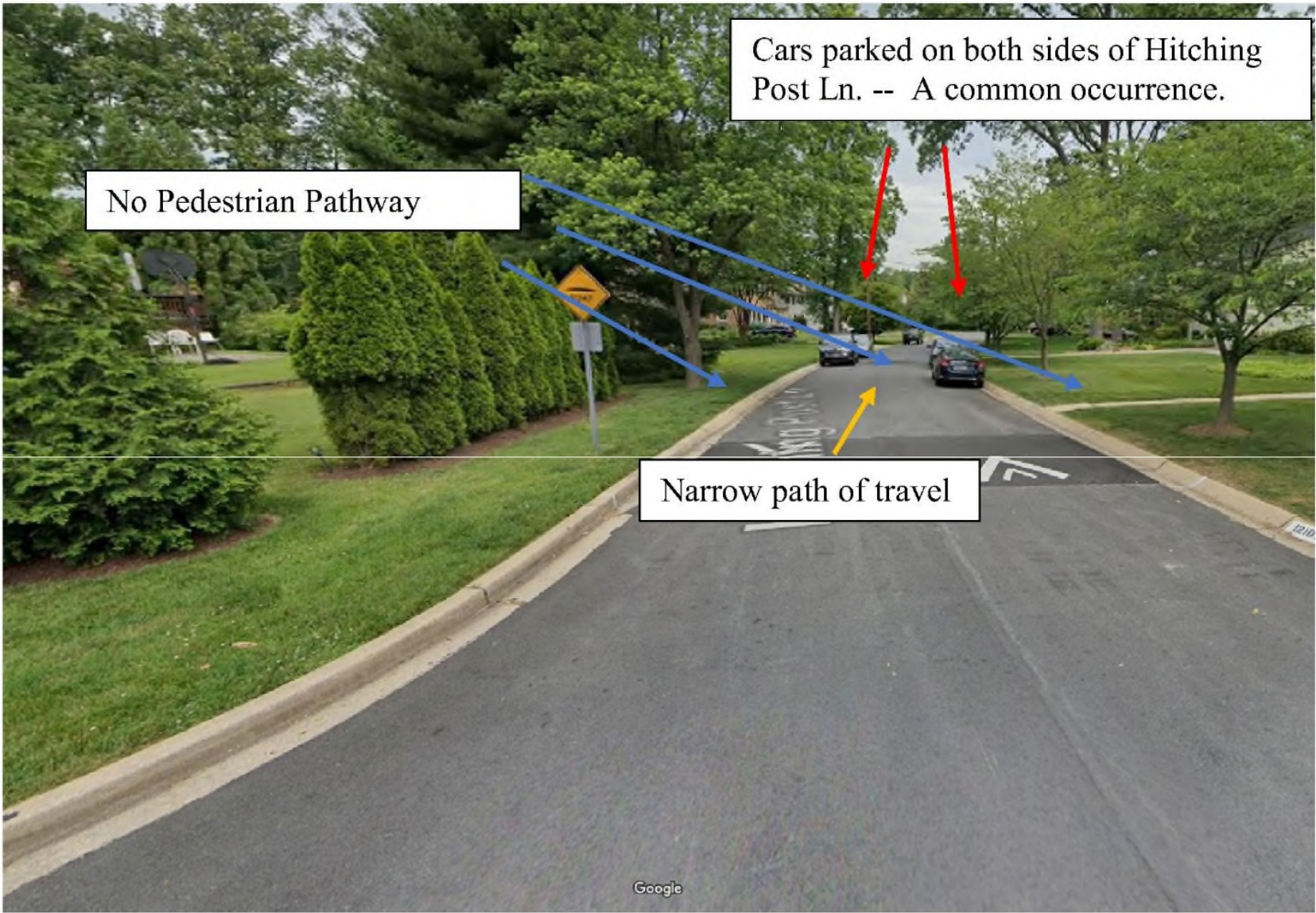
Bus Stop

Farmland Elementary School



Narrow roadway

No Center Line.



No Pedestrian Pathway

Cars parked on both sides of Hitching Post Ln. -- A common occurrence.

Narrow path of travel



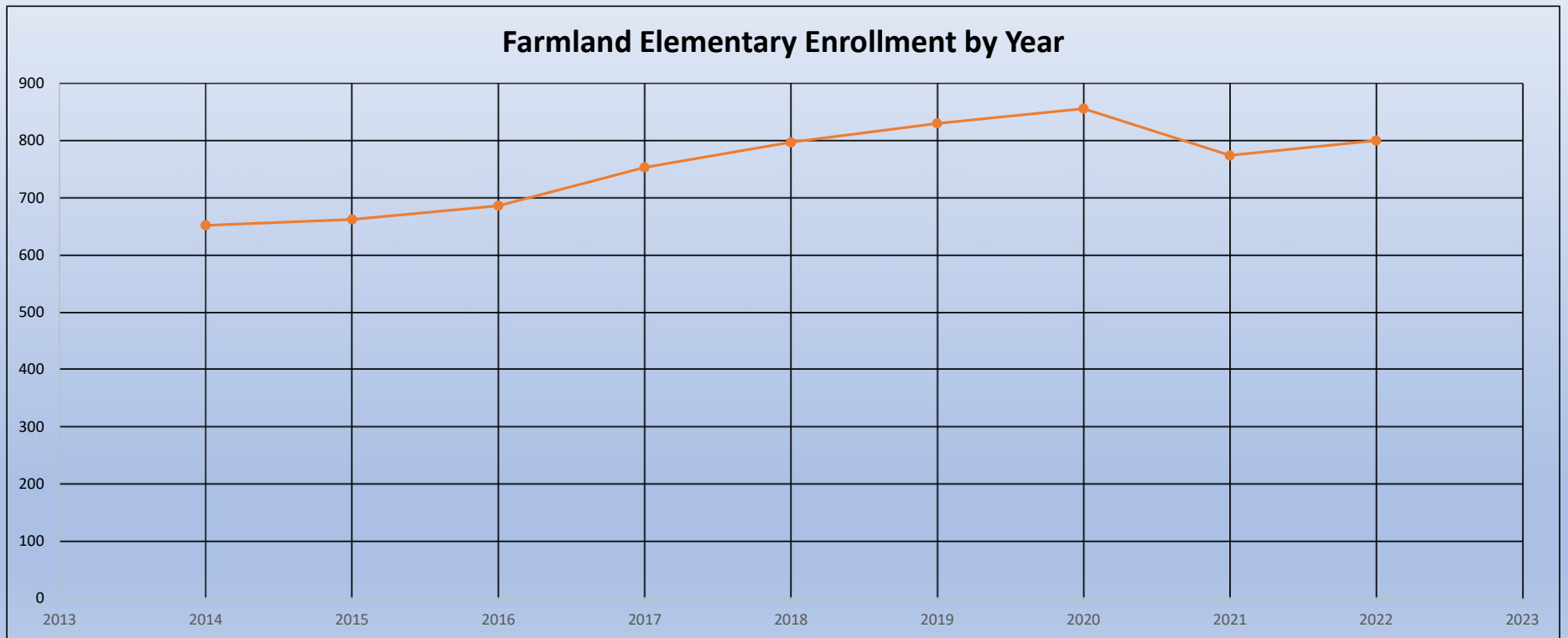


Cherry Trees

What Did The Committee Do?

- Reviewed traffic and pedestrian safety issues in the neighborhood focusing on concerns raised about Hitching Post Ln.
- Studied traffic and accident statistics in the neighborhood.
- Looked into legal implications of proposed solutions (e.g., ADA compliance issues).
- Mapped the existing traffic and pedestrian infrastructure in the neighborhood.

Farmland Increasing Enrollment



Cherry Trees

- Prior opposition to installation of sidewalks related to preserving cherry trees along Hitching Post Ln.
- Committee obtained an arborist report on the health of the Cherry Trees.
- The condition of the trees ranges from good to poor.

Potential Solutions Considered

- Installation of Sidewalks
- No Parking on Hitching Post Ln.
- No Parking During Commute Hours
- Parking Restricted to One Side
- Re-Zoning the Street for One-Way Traffic
- Restricting Roadway Usage to Local Traffic
- Restricting Roadway Usage During Commute Hours
- Prohibiting Left-Hand Turns from Old Stage Onto Hitching Post Ln.
- Prohibiting Left-Hand Turns During Commute Hours from Old Stage onto Hitching Post Ln. and Hitching Post Ln. onto Old Gate Rd.
- Installation of Speed Bumps / Humps
- Terminating Hitching Post Ln. prior to Old Gate Rd. and Creating a Cul-de-Sac
- Creating Bike / Pedestrian Lanes

Proposed Solutions Considered



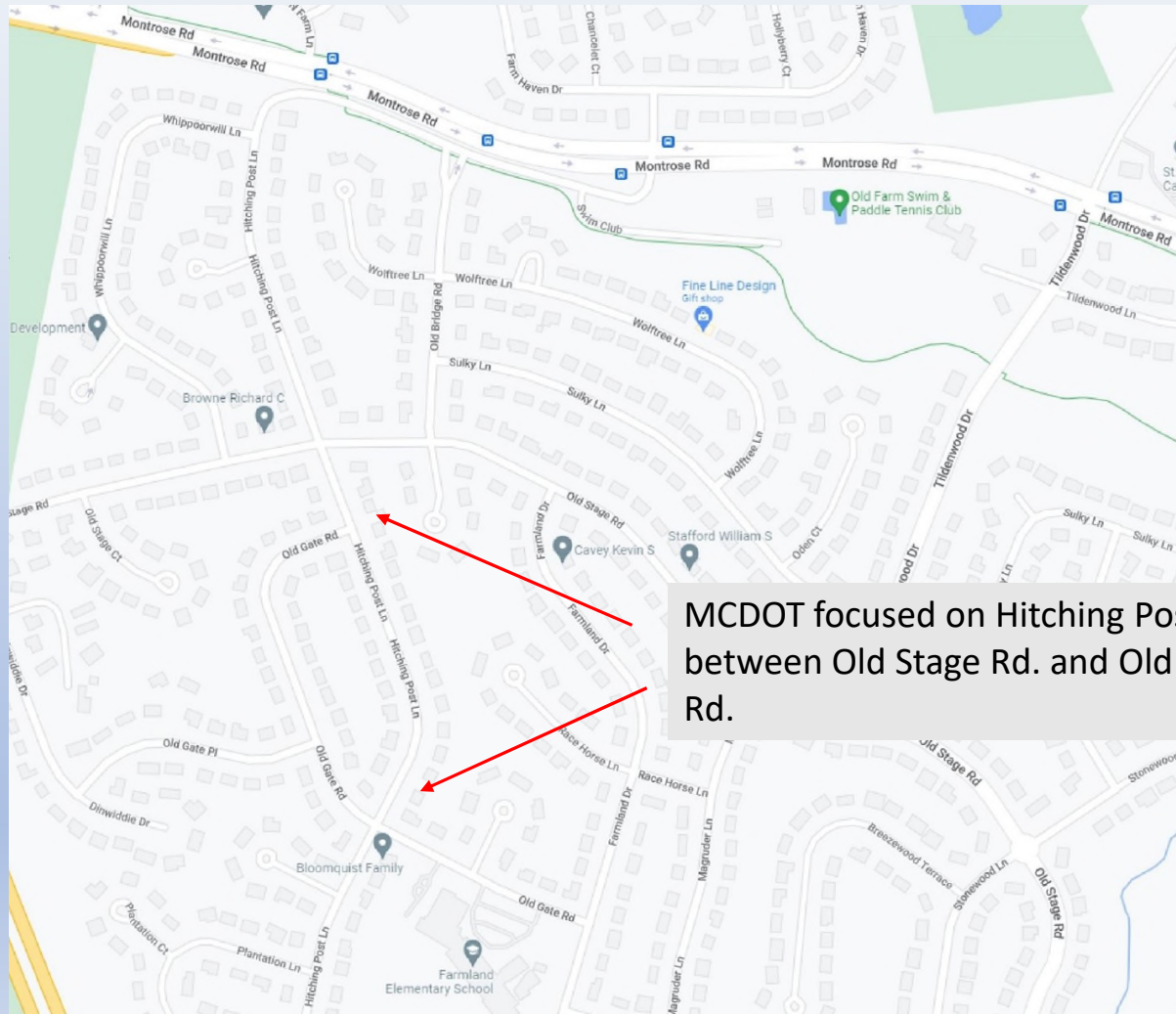
Detailed Study of Each Proposed Solution

- Coordinated with MCDOT.
- Analyzed feasibility of implementation.
 - E.g., Speed Bumps / Humps will not be installed unless traffic data shows vehicle speed averages more than 7 mph over posted speed limit
- Obtained a Speed Study for Hitching Post Ln.

MCDOT Study

- MCDOT Conducted a speed study on Hitching Post Rd.
- MCDOT concluded that Hitching Post Rd. does not qualify for speed bumps / humps.

MCDOT Study



MCDOT focused on Hitching Post Ln. between Old Stage Rd. and Old Gate Rd.

Recommended Solutions

Based on its work, the Committee identified two viable options for resolving pedestrian safety concerns on Hitching Post Ln.:

1. Installation of Sidewalks
2. Implementation of Parking Restrictions

Next Steps

- Want to hear from the Community:
 - We will send out a survey to residents on Hitching Post Ln. and the GFCA community;
 - We will review the responses before making our recommendation to the GFCA Board;
 - Please respond!

Questions?