



Legislation Text

File #: Ord. 2020-24(b), **Version:** 1

AGENDA CAPTION:

Consider approval of Ordinance 2020-24, on the second of two readings, amending the traffic register maintained pursuant to section 82.067 of the City Code by decreasing the speed limit in the 1300 through 1500 blocks of Belvin Street (between Bishop Street to Dixon Street) from 30 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour in both directions and authorizing the installation of speed cushions; and including procedural provisions.

Meeting date: May 5, 2020

Department: Public Services Department (Tom Taggart)

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: \$9,000

Account Number: 10006150.53010

Funds Available: \$663,110

Account Name: Streets-Asphalt

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: approved on 1st reading on April 21, 2020

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

N/A

Choose an item.

Choose an item.

Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.

☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.

☐ Land Use - Choose an item.

☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.

☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.

☒ Transportation - Safe, Well coordinated transportation system implemented in an environmentally sensitive manner

☐ Not Applicable

Master Plan: *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Transportation Master Plan

Background Information:

Pursuant to Section 82.066 of the City Code, all regulatory traffic signs and devices, where the authority to install is not specifically delegated to the traffic engineer, requires approval from City Council by ordinance.

The Public Services Department received a petition from residents on Belvin Street seeking to have speed humps installed between Bishop Street and Dixon Street. Thirty-one property owners reside along Belvin Street in this segment. Of the 31 property owners, the petition contained 24 responses. Among the 24 responses, 23 were supportive of the speed hump installation and one property owner was opposed.

Based on a speed study conducted February 25 through March 3, 2020, the average eighty-fifth percentile speed on Belvin Street is 30.1 mph.

If approved, the Transportation Division of the Public Services Department will install speed cushions. Speed cushions are similar to speed humps except speed cushions maintain a gap in the middle of humps to allow emergency management vehicles to straddle the humps so as to not adversely impact response times.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

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Alternatives:

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Recommendation:

With the Hopkins Street Reconstruction Project approaching, the speed cushions will serve as a traffic calming measure for any cut-through traffic that may attempt to avoid the project and the City's official detour plan and travel on Belvin Street. In order to maintain roadway safety, City staff recommends the approval of installing speed cushions on the 1300-1500 block of Belvin Street (between Bishop Street and Dixon Street).