Task Force on Traffic Calming

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Composition: 3-5 Commission members, 1-2 public members optional Duration: Approximately 2-3 meetings anticipated before August 1, 2018.

End Product: Provide suggestions in response to the June 2018 Traffic Calming Program Update discussion; may include an endorsement of the proposed update and/or additional recommendations. The Task Force may choose to provide the Commission with verbal information and updates, written summaries of reports and policies, and links to helpful resources for the Commission to consider. The Task Force report should be provided to the Commission chair and staff liaison no later than August 1 for consideration at the August 15 Transportation Commission meeting.

Scope of work: Discuss background information on neighborhood traffic calming efforts, public feedback and current proposed Program Update changes. Including but not limited to:

- Compile and consider Transportation Commissioner feedback and reactions to the Proposed Program Update presented at the June 20 meeting.
- Become familiar with the efforts and recommendations of the Speed Reduction Committee (final report recommendation 5: Amend the Traffic Calming Program)
- Utilize resources available about the existing Traffic Calming Program (<u>Guidebook</u>, <u>Google Map of past projects</u>, <u>Program Orientation presentation</u>; <u>a2gov.org/trafficcalming</u>) to better understand the existing process and changes proposed.
- Review the proposed Program Update (overview presentation and detailed tracking to be provided by staff) and consider whether Speed Reduction Committee recommendations are appropriately incorporated and/or addressed.
- Gather and discuss additional background information as needed; may include review of particular project area results (available upon request from staff), benchmarking research of peer communities and industry best practices (ITE, FHWA).
- Submit questions and requests to staff liaison where additional information or staff support is desired.
- Discuss additional opportunities to improve the existing Traffic Calming Program (may extend beyond the Speed Reduction Committee Report and proposed changes), with consideration to limited staff time and resources and the importance of compliance with safety and industry best practices.
- Next steps may include suggestions for the Vision Zero Task Force also suggested in the Speed Reduction Committee Report, recognizing that the Vision Zero recommendations will include comprehensive traffic calming recommendations.

Staff Support: As available especially in providing history of past Traffic Calming Program project areas and technical expertise of industry best practices. Some staff participation at task force meetings is anticipated for dialogue.