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Cc: Adam Beeman

**Subject:** Request for Removal of Speed Hump at 2240 Manchester Rd

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Dear Ann Arbor Public Works / Traffic Engineering Team,

I hope you're well. I am writing as the resident of Manchester Road in Ann Arbor to request the immediate removal of the recently installed speed hump in front of our house. While I fully appreciate the city's efforts to improve neighborhood safety, the effect of this particular traffic-calming device on my family's daily life has become untenable.

## Issues we are experiencing:

- Numerous times per day as vehicles go downhill and cross the speed hump, the noise is extreme. The "thump, bang, and scrape" of tires / suspension is constant, repeated, and very loud. This is especially true for trucks and service vehicles.
- The sound is abrasive, disruptive and effectively a violation of our peace and quiet. It happens repeatedly throughout the day, evening, and through the night.
- The noise occurs at the property line of our home (and likely beyond) and leaves us unable to enjoy our living environment, which I believe is inconsistent with the city's expectations for residential street quality.

The city's Noise Control ordinance (Chapter 119, Title IX, City of Ann Arbor Code of Ordinances) states:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to create, assist in creating, permit, continue or permit the continuance of any unreasonably loud, disturbing, unusual or unnecessary noise which annoys, disturbs, injures, or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others within the limits of the City of Ann Arbor."

While I understand the ordinance is often applied to machinery or amplified sound, it arguably covers our situation: a device installed in the public right-of-way that generates repeated, very loud noise that disturbs the comfort and repose of our home.

## Request:

Given the severity of the disturbance, we respectfully request the city evaluate this speed hump's impact and remove or relocate it (or explore an alternative traffic-calming measure such as a stop sign at Manchester and Nottingham) as soon as possible.

## Please let us know:

- How the city decides whether a speed hump remains in place.
- Whether an alternative solution might exist (e.g., signage, speed feedback devices,

different hump design) that mitigates the noise.

• The timeframe by which this request can be reviewed and resolved.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I am happy to provide further documentation (for example times of day the noise is worst, video or audio recordings) if it would help the evaluation. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Vince Cavataio and Adam Beeman Manchester Rd