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From: City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2023 2:59 PM
To: Cespedes, Christopher
Subject: FW: Green Road school zone signage

From: Brian Charnetski <xxxxxxxxxx@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 10:19 PM
To: City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission <xxxxxxxxxx@a2gov.org>
Subject: RE: Green Road school zone signage

Thank you for your consideration.

Brian

On 04/20/2023 9:49 AM City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission <xxxxxxxxxx@a2gov.org> wrote:

Good afternoon Brian,

Thank you for contacting the City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission. Your concerns will be provided as a communication item on the May 17th Commission Agenda.

Your message has been forwarded too transportation staff, so that they are also aware of your comments and may respond separately.

From: Brian Charnetski <xxxxxxxxxx@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2023 9:36 PM
To: City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission <xxxxxxxxxx@a2gov.org>
Subject: Green Road school zone signage

Dear Transportation Commission,

I would like to bring to your attention an issue with school zone signage on Green Road in northeast Ann Arbor. There is a stretch of Green Road which is apparently designated as a contiguous school zone from Burbank Drive (the south-most

intersection by the Post Office) and Whisperwood Drive with a speed limit of 25 MPH. Cynthia Redinger from the City confirmed this to me in an email.

The issue is, the signage does not support this. There are 35 MPH speed limit signs (with no indication of a school zone) placed within the school zone. For example, if your turn left out of Kilburn Park Circle onto Green Road, the first sign you will see shows 35 MPH with no school zone indications. Additionally, if you left onto Green from Gettysburg (or right onto Green Road from Burbank at the same intersection) heading toward the northwest, you will only see a 35 MPH sign. The only indication you will have of the school zone is when you reach the 'end of school zone' sign.

I brought this to the attention of the City by writing to Cynthia Reddinger of the Transportation Engineering Department. She replied "This school zone is signed for both directions and is installed per the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. When I tried to further indicate that the marking is unclear I received no further reply.

I live in Arbor Hills and turn right onto Green Road from Kilburn Park Circle every workday. Nearly every day I am tailgated to the end of school zone sign. In their defense (not that tailgating is okay) the last sign any of these people would have seen shows only 35 MPH. Regardless of what codes were followed for this school zone, people don't know it is contiguous and drivers are not slowing down as intended. I have spoken with many neighbors and they all expressed confusion.

If you are able to do anything to correct this signage to help protect students I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you,

Brian Charnetski

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