



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve the Installation of Traffic Calming Devices on Northside Avenue (\$31,640.00) Attached for your consideration is a resolution for the installation of traffic calming devices on Northside Avenue (Barton Drive to Pontiac Trail). The construction is expected to take place in October of 2014 by the City's contractor for the 2014 Annual Street Resurfacing project. The traffic calming plan includes four (4) speed humps and two (2) curb bump outs as shown on the attached final consensus plan.

Funds for this project are included in the approved FY 2015 Local Street Traffic Calming Operations and Maintenance Budget.

The residents of Northside Avenue have been surveyed and support the attached proposed traffic calming plan for their neighborhood (based on the level of support required for the program). The Northside Avenue traffic calming project began with the residents' petition received on July 5, 2012. After the initial evaluation and completion of the required speed study, public meetings were scheduled using the established process. Meetings were held on site and included walking a portion of the study street. Northside Avenue's meetings were held on June 11 and July 16, 2014.

The adopted program allowed an initial questionnaire to be sent to each address in the project area to determine their concerns, location of those concerns, and preferred traffic calming devices, among other information. This information proved useful in allowing City staff to attend the first meeting with a draft plan based on feedback from the residents. Staff and the residents discussed neighborhood interests and concerns, walked a portion of the project limits and modified the draft plan, making adjustments to be reviewed at the second meeting. At the second meeting, staff shared the revised draft plan, had the devices painted on the street for visual review, and walked a portion of the project limits and discussed the revised draft plan, and made additional modifications based on neighborhood preferences.

The draft plan from the second meeting was mailed to the residents in the project area. Each household was asked if they support the plan as shown, or allowed to indicate device-by-device which portions of the plan they supported. The project passed the first criteria requiring 60% of the homeowners to respond, regardless of how they decide; as well as passed the second criteria requiring that 60% of all the responses received from both homeowners and non-homeowners support the plan. The results are as follows:

20 No. of valid addresses in project area
19 No. of homeowner residents
17 No. of homeowner residents responding
89%* Percent homeowner residents responding
18 No. of surveys supporting all or part of the final plan as shown
18 No. of survey responses received
100%* Percent of surveys received supporting all or part of the plan as shown

*to pass, both criteria must receive 60% or higher

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Whereas, The residents of Northside Avenue petitioned for traffic calming devices on their street;

Whereas, The survey results support the proposed traffic calming plans;

Whereas, The total estimated construction cost for the traffic calming devices is estimated to be \$31,640.00; and

Whereas, Funding for the construction of the traffic calming project is included in the approved FY 2015 Local Street, Traffic Calming operations and maintenance budget;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve the installation of the traffic calming devices on Northside Avenue; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take the necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.