

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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Department Approval



City Manager Approval



Item Description: Discuss Neighborhood Traffic Management Program

BACKGROUND

One part of the Public Works workplan is to develop a Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (TMP) to address traffic concerns raised by residents. In the City of Roseville, traffic management concerns have historically been handled by the following processes.

- Traffic Safety Committee- An administrative committee established to address routine traffic concerns brought forward by residents and businesses.
- Construction Design Process- When a street is identified for reconstruction, staff conducts a review of existing conditions. This review can include public information meetings that solicit feedback regarding traffic concerns. As a part of this process, staff will study existing concerns and suggest strategies to address these concerns.

The Neighborhood Traffic Management Program is not intended to replace these existing processes. It is intended to add another tool for staff to address concerns that require additional community feedback or financial support to implement.

In 2011, Staff worked with the Public Works Commission to develop a Neighborhood Traffic Management Program that would assist the city in implementing future traffic management requests.

Two neighborhood traffic management requests were discussed with the City Council in 2011. These were the Wheeler Avenue closure and the Dale Street speed humps. These projects are proposed to be pilot projects for this new TMP.

Wheeler Avenue: In 2011 the City Council received a petition from the residents on Wheeler Avenue and Shorewood Lane to close off Wheeler Avenue at County Road D. This was requested to address the neighborhood's cut through traffic concerns. The temporary closure was installed last summer.

Dale Street: As part of the public information process for the Dale Street reconstruction project, residents were concerned about traffic. The traffic volume, while high for typical residential streets, is low for a collector road. Traffic speed is the primary source of their concern. The road is signed 30 mph. As indicated by the traffic counts, the 85th percentile speed is 38 mph. To address this issue, staff proposed installing Traffic Management on the street. As a part of the approval process, staff recommended that this project include the installation of two speed tables in the corridor one to the north of Iona Lane, the second to the south of Iona Lane.

At the Worksession staff will discuss the proposed TMP and use these two pilots as examples of how the program would be implemented.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

This document was developed to guide city staff and inform citizens about the processes and procedures

33 for implementing traffic management strategies on local streets to address documented existing traffic
34 concerns such as excessive vehicle speeds, high volumes of non-local through traffic, vehicle crashes in
35 neighborhoods, and alleviate conflicts between motorized and non-motorized users. The document
36 includes a summary of the City of Roseville's Policies for the Traffic Management Program, background
37 on the history of traffic management, the City of Roseville's process for implementing strategies, and a
38 toolbox of common traffic management strategies.

39 **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

40 Discuss attached Draft Neighborhood Traffic Management Program.

41 **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

42 None at this time.

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Attachments: A: Draft Neighborhood Traffic Management Program