City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Matthew J. Fertal

From:

William E. Murray

Dept:

City Manager

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Public Works

Subject:

APPROVAL OF CITYWIDE

Date:

December 9, 2014

ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SPEED SURVEY; INTRODUCE AND CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS:

AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING

CLASSIFICATION CHANGES FOR

SELECT STREETS FOR THE FEDERAL AID CLASSIFICATION

MAP

OBJECTIVE

To approve the Citywide Engineering and Traffic Speed Survey to establish speed limits; introduce and conduct the first reading of an ordinance establishing speed limits; and adopt a Resolution approving classification changes to select streets on the Federal Aid Classification Map;

BACKGROUND

In order for the City to issue radar speeding citations, it is necessary to have a valid Engineering and Traffic Speed Survey conducted every five years as required by the California Vehicle Code (CVC). However, the time span between studies can be extended up to seven years if the arresting officer has completed a minimum of 24 hours of certified radar operator course training and up to ten years, depending on specific criteria such as no significant changes in roadway or traffic conditions have occurred, including but not limited to, changes in adjoining property or land use, roadway width, or traffic volume as evaluated by a registered Traffic Engineer.

The City's current survey was approved by City Council in April of 2010. By conducting the new survey this year; the City will have a survey that meets the five-year requirement by the California Vehicle Code (CVC). The consulting firm of Albert Grover and Associates (AGA) was hired to conduct the new survey. By having the survey certified by a registered Traffic Engineer, evidence of speeding obtained by the use of radar under the CVC Section 40802 will be allowed in court.

As part of their contract, AGA also studied twenty-two (22) street segments that are currently designated as "Collector" streets in the Federal Aid Classification Maps.

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A majority of these "Collector" streets have characteristics of being a local residential street with a prima facie speed limit of 25 miles per hour (mph). These serve adjacent to residential land uses and allow access to residential driveways. Some also serve local traffic that access businesses on both sides of the street. AGA studied these street segments, and a recommendation is being made to have them reclassified as "Local" streets in the Federal Aid Classification Maps and allow the City to issue citations for excessive speeds. All of the "Local" streets are considered to have a prima facie speed limit of 25 miles per hour.

DISCUSSION

One hundred-forty three (143) roadway segments were surveyed in the city. Every segment was analyzed individually using traffic speed survey results, traffic volumes, accident data, posted speed limits, and roadway conditions identified in the field. The attached Ordinance shows the roadway segments surveyed with their proposed respective speed limits. Nelson Street from Garden Grove Boulevard to Stanford Avenue, Newhope Street from Westminster Avenue to Trask Avenue, and Springdale Street from Chapman Avenue to Santa Catalina Avenue saw a 5 mph increase from their current speed limit. Three segments of Brookhurst Street from Trask Avenue to Chapman Avenue saw a 5 mph decrease. segments were newly surveyed by AGA. They are currently listed as "Collector" streets on the Federal Aid Classification Maps; however, it was determined by their high volume of traffic that they could not be reclassified as "Local" streets. Taft Street from Westminster Avenue to Trask Avenue carries approximately 9,000 vehicles per day and from Trask Avenue to Century Boulevard it carries approximately 8,000 vehicles per day. The third roadway segment, Ward Street from Hazard Avenue to Morningside Drive, carries approximately 9,000 vehicles per day. AGA has recommended that all three of these roadway segments have a speed limit of 35 mph based on their 85th percentile speed.

Nineteen (19) roadway segments were determined by AGA to be re-designated from being classified as "Collector" streets to "Local" streets on the Federal Aid Classification Maps. Aside from providing continuity between the City's General Plan and the Federal Aid Classification Map; the proposed changes allow the City to issue citations for excessive speed utilizing radar without posting the speed limit or conducting radar surveys. All nineteen (19) roadway segments are considered to have a prima facie speed limit of 25 mph. These changes will also make the Federal Aid Classification Map consistent with the countywide Master Plan of Arterial Highways (MPAH).

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Approve the Traffic and Engineering Speed Survey;
- Introduce and conduct the first reading of the Ordinance amending Chapter 36 of Title 10 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code establishing speed limits; and
- Adopt the attached Resolution approving functional classification changes for select streets from "Collector" to "Local" streets.

William E. Murray, P.E. Public Works Director

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Acting City Traffic Engineer

Attachment 1:

Traffic and Engineering Speed Survey

Attachment 2:

Draft Ordinance Draft Resolution Attachment 3:

Recommended for Approval

Matthew J. Fertal City Manager

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
AMENDING CHAPTER 36 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE
ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS FOR CERTAIN DESIGNATED CITY STREETS BASED
UPON AN UPDATED TRAFFIC AND ENGINEERING SPEED SURVEY

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>: Code Amendment. Chapter 36 of Title 10 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 36: SPEED RESTRICTIONS

SECTION 10.36.010: Speed Zoning

The City Engineer is authorized and required to make the appropriate engineering and traffic investigation, which is the basis for the current prima facie speed zones, as specified in Section 10.36.030. This type of study shall be maintained current and updated every five years at a minimum.

SECTION 10.36.020: Regulation by Traffic Signals

The City Engineer is authorized to regulate the timing of traffic signals so as to permit the movement of traffic in an orderly and safe manner at a speed slightly at variance from the speeds otherwise applicable within the district or at intersections, and may erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

SECTION 10.36.030: Speed Limits Established

Pursuant to California Vehicle Code Sections 22357 through 22358, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, the speed permitted by state law upon the following streets for safe operation of vehicles are as established herein. The prima facie speed limit shall be as set forth in this Section on those streets or parts of streets herein designated when signs are erected giving notice thereof:

Portion Affected	Declared Prima Facie Speed Limit
Hazard Ave. to Chapman Ave.	40
Chapman Ave. to Katella Ave.	45
Garden Grove Blvd. to Euclid St.	40
Lewis St. to Harbor Blvd.	45
Harbor Blvd. to Knott St.	40
Knott St. to Valley View St.	45
Valley View St. to Bailey St.	25
Katella Ave. to Garden Grove Blvd.	35
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935 890	Westminster Avenue Valley View Street	Bushard St. to Newland St. Santa Catalina Ave. to Garden Grove Blvd.	40 45

SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, words or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

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<u>SECTION 3</u>: The Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same, or the summary thereof, to be published and posted pursuant to the provisions of law and this Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after adoption.

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GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION CHANGES FOR SELECT STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

The City Council of the City of Garden Grove does hereby resolve as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. Approve the Functional Classification changes on select streets within the city of Garden Grove from "Collector" streets to "Local" streets on the Federal Aid Classification map as follows.

Street

1. Acacia Parkway Barclay Drive 2. Benton Street 4. Blackmer Street 5. Buaro Street 6. Cerulean Avenue 7. Clinton Street 8. Gilbert Street 9. Joyzelle Drive 10. Nelson Street 11. Palmwood Drive 12. Parliament Avenue 13. Stanford Avenue 14. Stanford Avenue 15. Stanford Avenue 16. Stanford Avenue 17. Taft Street 18. Topaz Street 19. Yockey Street

Limit

Nelson Street to Ninth Street Katella Avenue to Orangewood Avenue Garden Grove Boulevard to Trask Avenue Cerulean Avenue to Santa Catalina Avenue Chapman Avenue to Harbor Boulevard Blackmer Street to Topaz Street Westminster Avenue to Trask Avenue Garden Grove Boulevard to Trask Avenue Magnolia Street to Brookhurst Street Chapman Avenue to Stanford Avenue Katella Avenue to Orangewood Avenue Brookhurst Street to Palmwood Drive Springdale Street to Knott Street Gilbert Street to Main Street **Euclid Street to Ninth Street** Fern Street to Josephine Street Garden Grove Boulevard to Century Boulevard Cerulean Avenue to Lampson Avenue Garden Grove Boulevard to Westminster Avenue