

AGENDA – TSC 1/4/10

ITEM NO. 2: Consider request to construct SPEED HUMPS on Edgewood Lane.

Facts:

1. Edgewood Lane is classified as a 'local' street in a residential area.
2. The speed limit on Edgewood Lane is 30mph in accordance with state law.
3. The city's *TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY* (attached) provides criteria for considering traffic calming devices on 'local' streets.
4. Traffic data collected on November 11-12, 2009 found the traffic volumes to be less than 600 vehicles per day and 85th percentile speeds to range from 27.0mph to 29.2mph.
5. Therefore, Edgewood Lane does not appear to meet the minimum criteria for consideration of traffic calming.

MINUTES – TSC 1/4/10

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David Woosley presented the information provided in the staff report.

Commissioner Heckler asked what the current speed limit was; Woosley advised that it was 30 mph by state law.

Public comment: None.

Commissioner Woods noted that it did not meet city criteria and there was no one present to speak to the item.

Commissioner Hagen: It makes sense to deny the request.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARDEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT SPEED HUMPS ON EDGEWOOD LANE; THE MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

From: Barbara Huppee [mailto:bhuppee@ldcha.org]
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 2:05 PM
Subject: Speed Humps

We are interested in having speed humps installed on Edgewood Lane which is a city street and the main thoroughfare through the Edgewood Homes complex at 1600 Haskell Avenue. The complex contains 128 units and houses over 130 children. For years the residents have expressed interest in slowing traffic through the complex. We inquired of your predecessor, before speed humps and during the days of speed bumps, and were told that the city had a policy against speed bumps because they damage snow removal equipment. We would like to make the request again.

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TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY

Resolution No. 6602, August 23, 2005

1. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may include but are not limited to Traffic-Calming Circles, Speed Humps and Speed Cushions, Speed Tables, Partial Diverters, Full Diverters, Center Island Narrowing, Chokers, and Road Closures; however, roundabouts are traffic management devices and are not subject to this policy.
2. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may be permitted on "local" streets as designated by the City's Major Thoroughfares Map, and under any one of the following conditions:
 - A. The 85th percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit, or
 - B. The 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 1000, or
 - C. Cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day, or
 - D. Where no single condition is satisfied, but where any two of A, B or C above are satisfied to the extent of 80 percent or more of the stated values.
3. TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES (except SPEED HUMPS) may be permitted on "collector" streets as designated by the City's Major Thoroughfares Map, under any one of the following conditions:
 - A. The 85th percentile speed of traffic is 5 mph or greater over the speed limit, or
 - B. The 24-hour two-way traffic volume is greater than 3000, or
 - C. Cut-through traffic comprises more than 50% of the traffic during the peak hour of the day, or
 - D. More than 50% of the frontage of the roadway consists of residential lots with the houses facing the roadway in question, or
 - E. Where no single condition is satisfied, but where any two of A, B, C or D above are satisfied to the extent of 80 percent or more of the stated values.
4. Traffic data will be collected with city personnel using city equipment only. In the event that a requested location does not meet the minimum requirements as stated in 2 or 3 above, subsequent requests will not be considered for a minimum of one year.
5. The Lawrence-Douglas County Fire & Medical Department, the Police Department, the Public Works Department and the Traffic Safety Commission must review all requests for TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES before being presented to the City Commission.
6. If a project is approved by the City Commission, the City Commission will determine financing of the construction. The City Commission may require 0-100% of the costs to be paid by the group or neighborhood making the request.
7. After a project is approved and funded by the City Commission, TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES will only be constructed at a location if 70% or more of the property owners within 300 feet measured along the centerline of the street in each direction approve of the installation or if directed by the City Commission. The individual, group or neighborhood making the request shall be responsible for obtaining the property owners' and residents' approval in writing and submitting it to the city.
8. Once installed, TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES may only be removed at a location if more than 70% of the property owners and residents within 300 feet measured along the centerline of the street in each direction approve of the removal or if directed by the City Commission. The individual, group or neighborhood making the request shall be responsible for obtaining the property owners' and residents' approval in writing and submitting it to the city.
9. TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES may initially be landscaped (if appropriate) by the city, provided that the group or neighborhood making the request agrees in writing to maintain the landscaping or pursuant to the payment of a landscape maintenance fee. No privately installed landscaping is permitted unless approved by the city in writing.



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Edgewood Park

E 16th St

Edgewood Ln

Haskell Ave

Haskell Ave

Ward St

La Salle St

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