

AGENDA: TSC 10/1/12

ITEM NO. 2: Consider request to construct SPEED HUMPS on 25th Terrace between Hampton Street & Harper Street.

Facts:

1. 25th Terrace is classified as a "collector" street in a residential area and is paved 26 feet wide.
2. The City's *Traffic Calming Policy* permits traffic calming devices on "collector" streets (except speed humps) if the 24-hour volume of traffic is greater than 3000 or if the 85th percentile speed of traffic exceeds the speed limit by 5 mph or more.
3. The speed limit on 25th Terrace is 30 mph.
4. Traffic data collected September 5-6, 2012 found a volume of approximately 1615 in a 24-hour period at an 85th percentile speed of approximately 34.2 mph.
5. Therefore, it appears that this location does not meet the minimum criteria for consideration of traffic calming devices.

MINUTES: TSC 12/1/12

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

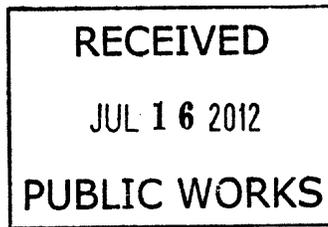
Public Comment:

None.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Novotny asked if the 5th was Labor Day; it was not, Labor Day was the 3rd.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ZIEGELMEYER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BOLEY, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT SPEED HUMPS ON 25TH TERRACE BETWEEN HAMPTON STREET & HARPER STREET; THE MOTION CARRIED, 9-0.



12 July 2012

Skyla McCollum
1804 E. 25th Terrace
Lawrence, KS 66046

Subject: Request to address speeding traffic on 25th Terrace

Dear Sir-

I am writing you today to express my concern regarding both the high volume and the high speed of the traffic on my street, which is 25th Terrace on the eastside of town. Many children ride their bikes along this residential street, and joggers will even sometimes use the road. More generally, residents of the neighborhood frequently cross into the street. And more specifically, one resident is often strolling up and down the street in her motorized wheelchair. High levels of traffic speeding through the street make an accident with one of these residents both more likely and more severe. Furthermore, people's cars are often parked on the sides of the street, impacting visibility and causing unexpected breaking. Because of the high volume of traffic, even outside of rush hour, I believe much of it is non-residential motorists trying to avoid traveling down 23rd street. And because of the safety needs for the children and other residents, speed bumps would be a great way to 1) deter non-residents from using 25th Terrace as a means for avoiding 23rd street, and 2) slowing down the undeterred motorists. Making both sides of the street "no parking" might also help to alleviate the problem; however, it appears that the residents don't have enough garage space for the cars they have, so making both sides "no parking" would seem to place the undue burden of parking far away. Hence, I believe speed bumps would be optimal. Please consider installing them on my street. Additionally, it may help to have "children at play" signs to make motorist aware of their surroundings.

I appreciate you taking the time to read my letter and I do look forward to hearing from you in the near future in response to my request.

Kindest regards-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Skyla McCollum".



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.



Harper St

E 24th Ter

E 25th Ter

Harper St

Cranley Ct

Hampton St

Mayfair Dr

