AGENDA: TSC 3/7/16
ITEM NO. 5: Consider request for TRAFFIC CALMING on Crestline Drive between Peterson Road & Princeton Boulevard.

Staff Report:

1. Crestline Drive is classified as a “local” street in a residential area with a speed limit of 30 mph, as provided by state law.
2. The City’s Traffic Calming Policy permits traffic calming devices to be placed on local streets if the 85th percentile speed of traffic is 5mph or greater over the speed limit; or, if the 24-hour 2-way volume of traffic is greater than 1000.
3. Traffic data obtained January 26-27, 2016, found the 85th percentile speed of traffic to be approximately 36.8 mph and the 24-hour 2-way volume of traffic to be approximately 290.

Therefore, this location meets the minimum criteria for consideration of TRAFFIC CALMING.

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report and noted the receipt of email correspondence.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Koprince: It seems to me that it meets the criteria; there appears to be neighborhood support, and there doesn’t seem to be anyone against it; I don’t see any reason not to add it to our list of recommended projects.

Commissioner Jones: I agree; any time we can slow down traffic on a residential street, it’s probably not a bad idea.

Commissioner Crawford asked if parking was permitted on the street; Woosley advised that it was.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KOPRINCE, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HOSKINSON, TO RECOMMEND TRAFFIC CALMING ON CRESTLINE DRIVE BETWEEN PETERSON ROAD & PRINCETON BOULEVARD; THE MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.
Hi David...

I live on one of two cul-de-sacs off Crestline Drive located between Peterson Road and Princeton Blvd.

In the last year, the morning and evening work traffic on Crestline has gotten out of control. My particular concern is the speed at which vehicles drive. The problems seem to be primarily cars coming FROM Peterson, turning down Crestline to shortcut going up to No. Iowa and the turnpike intersection. And then probably the opposite at night.

We have several pedestrians who walk their dogs and children on Crestline. Also, the neighborhood is "turning over" and we have several families with young children who have moved in, both on Crestline, Bond Place, and Pickwick Place.

This morning I was walking my pup and truly, you could almost use a stoplight at Pickwick and Crestline!!! It's ridiculous.

I talked to a police office and he suggested this route. He suggested perhaps a couple of small speed bumps on Crestline. It's a long enough street that I agree two would be needed.

I would be happy to take around a neighborhood petition or whatever. I think as long as the bumps were "ridiculous" I don't think the residents would care. There are too many kids playing on the sidewalk.

Thanks for getting back to me.

Karen

Karen Anderson Troutman
2605 Pickwick Place
Lawrence, KS 66049

"If you think you're too small to make a difference, you haven't spent the night with a mosquito." ....African proverb
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 Diversers, Full Diversers, 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.
From: JD Cleavinger [mailto:jdc@hatfieldappraisals.com]
Sent: Monday, March 07, 2016 9:33 AM
To: David Woosley
Subject: Crestline Traffic

JD Cleavinger @ 213 N Crestline Dr  Will not be able to attend the 7PM meeting to support measures to calm traffic along the stretch of Crestline between Peterson Rd and Princeton Blvd. I do support a belief there is a need for some sort of measure to slow drivers along this stretch. This stretch is without long sight lines. Young Kids and us old Geezers that live along this stretch need to have slow cars in our daily life. Since the building started on the north side of Peterson Rd. this stretch seems to be a cut through and drivers seem to be in a hurry without noticing surroundings.  THANKS for your consideration
Traffic Safety Commission-

We live at 300 N Crestline Dr., between Peterson and Princeton. We have regularly noticed that individuals use our street as a connection between Princeton and Peterson. In and of itself this is not a problem. However, the speed individuals drive seems somewhat excessive, especially during rush hour when individuals are in a hurry.

We are writing to say that we fully support the traffic calming initiative that will be discussed this evening at the committee meeting. Unfortunately we are unable to make it to the meeting tonight, so we wanted to write and express our support.

Thank you for your consideration,
Nick and Aime Stevens

-Sent from a mobile device