RESIDENTIAL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

GUIDELINES TO MANAGE RESIDENTIAL TRAFFIC

GOALS

1. Improve residential livability by encouraging adherence to the speed limit.
2. Maintain access, safety and comfort for alternative transportation users on residential streets.
3. Encourage citizen involvement in solutions to residential traffic problems.
4. Appropriately channel public resources by prioritizing traffic mitigation requests according to documented criteria.
5. Effectively address the frequently conflicting, public safety interests of traffic mitigation and emergency response.

POLICIES

A request to consider modification of traffic flow on public streets shall meet all of the following criteria:

- The street must be classified as a two lane, local street and be primarily residential in nature.
- Traffic volumes must equal or exceed the threshold volumes as indicated by the specific treatment criteria.
- Police and Fire Departments review and approve for satisfactory emergency service access.
- A traffic engineering safety study has determined that the proposed traffic flow modifications will not create undue traffic congestion on the subject street or on streets that may be impacted by diverted traffic.
- **The Citizens Association or the Neighborhood must designate a contact person(s) who will be the primary contact in the neighborhood for answering residents' questions.**

CRITERIA FOR MULTI-WAY STOPS ON RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR STREETS

- Through street – minimum ½ mile in length
- Width of street to not exceed 36 feet
- Traffic volumes (less than 4,000 ADT, total of highest 8 hours is at least 50 % of ADT)
- Cut through traffic (minimum of 25% of cut through traffic, in one direction during any one hour of the 8th highest hours)
- Three or more accidents that are correctable by the installation of stop signs.
- The minor street must equal 40% of the main streets volume.
- The longest leg of a side street of the intersection being considered must exceed 400' in length
- The intersection must be at least 800' from another multi-way stop or from a stop condition along the main unstopped street.
- There must be considerable support as per the petition acceptance requirements. There also must be 100 percent support from any households directly adjacent to the intersection.
- A two circuit overhead flasher may be required, if determined by engineering judgment of the Traffic Services Division

PETITION ACCEPTANCE & SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

The City Traffic Services Division determines the boundary of the "affected area" to be included in the petition directly and indirectly affected areas. The petition requesting traffic flow modifications must be supported by 60 percent of the total number of households directly affected by the proposed changes; one household, one signature minimum, 85 percent of all affected households that may need to use the street(s) on a daily basis must be contacted for petition to be accepted by the City. Persons submitting a petition must attempt to contact all affected parties. The households immediately adjacent to the proposed improvement must accept the proposal 100%.

An eligible household is a single residential or commercial unit and shall include property owners, tenants, businesses and long-term tenants such as mobile park residents within the "affected area". In case of conflict between property owner and tenant, the property owner's vote takes precedence over the tenant.

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