## **City Council – Action Request Form**

**Date:** March 22, 2022

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager

Toneq' McCullough, Director of Transportation

## **Council Action Requested:**

Resolution Approving Changes to the Traffic Calming Policy

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: No

**Strategic Plan Action Item:** No

Key Work Item: No



## **Summary of Information:**

In January, the Public Works Committee was presented with proposed changes to the Traffic Calming Policy. The Department of Transportation (DOT) staff incorporated input from the Committee Members to revise the existing policy in an effort to respond to the increasing number of citizen requests for traffic calming in a timely and efficient manner. The DOT staff recommends the following changes to the Traffic Calming Policy:

- ➤ Create an on-line video explaining the overall traffic calming process so citizens are informed and understand the process, options and neighborhood approval ballot requirements. In addition, a frequently asked questions page on traffic calming will be created on the website.
- Expand the policy requirement for the neighborhood meeting to include in-person meetings, virtual meetings, and an option for an on-line pre-recorded presentation that explains the process, the proposed traffic calming plan, and the neighborhood approval process. The neighborhood specific video would be available to property owners and residents to view for 2-3 weeks. Citizens would be able to contact staff with specific questions and those without internet access could also contact staff for information on the proposed plan and maps.

Committee Action:			
Committee	Public Works 3/22/22	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	 Against	
Remarks:			

- ➤ Limit the total traffic calming petitions to be reviewed by staff in a year to 12. Petitions received throughout the year will be ranked based on their points total and prioritized in May of each year. Petitions received after the limit is reached can either be held for the following year or may require resubmission.
- > Temporarily suspend new traffic calming requests to allow staff to work through the backlog of existing requests.
- Add language which states that the streets under 500 feet in length will not be eligible for traffic calming.

In addition to the proposed changes, staff updated photos and deleted out-of-date information.

Attached is the revised Traffic Calming Policy for consideration.