

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Discuss and consider approval of the installation of speed humps on Quail Ridge between Roadrunner Avenue and West Klein Road.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

Council District: 2

Citizens submitted a request for the installation of speed humps on Quail Ridge between Roadrunner Avenue and West Klein Road. Quail Ridge functions as a residential street and provides direct access to residential properties.

The request was evaluated based on petition, operational and geometric requirements established in the City of New Braunfels Speed Hump Policy approved in 1999. These requirements are listed in the attachment to this report.

The request for speed humps on Quail Ridge between Roadrunner Avenue and West Klein Road *does not* meet the eligibility requirements because the 24-hour traffic volume is not at least 800 vehicles (measured 24-hour traffic volume of 273 vehicles).

If the request is approved, the street will be placed on the list of streets eligible for speed hump installation for up to three years. Speed hump projects will be prioritized according to the criteria established in the Speed Hump Policy. The Speed Hump Policy also states that the alteration or removal of speed humps requires the same petition process as the installation request, with at least two-thirds of all adjacent households and businesses in favor of speed hump removal. The city will not provide any funding for the removal of speed humps if it is requested.

Funding

The City has specific funding for the installation of speed humps. This is the third speed hump request for the FY 2017-2018 budget and there is adequate funding for the speed hump request.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

2006 Comprehensive Plan: Transportation Goal 21: Provide a system of convenient and safe transportation facilities through comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation system planning and development.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Speed hump installation cost including speed cushions and signing for one set of speed humps costs approximately \$14,000 to \$18,000 depending on location.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

This item was considered and unanimously not approved by the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board at their meeting on October 12, 2017.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff does not recommend approval of speed humps on Quail Ridge between Roadrunner Avenue and West Klein Road as it does not meet the speed eligibility criteria established in the Speed Hump Policy.