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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: PUBLIC HEARING

Meeting Date: February 27, 2024

## Item Details

Presenter(s): Sajid Hassan, P.E., Traffic Safety Engineer

Department(s): Transportation & Infrastructure Development

#### Requested Motion

Public Hearing and possible motion regarding amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) related to the traffic calming criteria and process.

#### **Approval Recommended?**

The Planning and Transportation & Infrastructure Development Departments recommend approval.

The Planning Board heard these amendments at their February 12, 2024 meeting and unanimously recommended approval.

### **Item Details**

Amendments to Sec. 7.2.1.L *Traffic Calming* are proposed in order to update the criteria and process used for warranting and approving traffic calming devices as well as the roles and responsibilities within the Town for collecting traffic data and administering the traffic calming program.

In May 2007, the traffic calming policy was updated and incorporated in the UDO. In 2015, the Town's traffic engineer conducted public outreach involving various HOA boards with the assistance of Apex Police Department which resulted in changes to the criteria and process for warranting and approving traffic calming devices. At that time, Apex Police Department collected traffic data for each study and provided it to the Town's traffic engineer. Since 2015, the Transportation & Infrastructure Development Department has been formed and engineering staff added within that department have been collecting the data while also administering the program. Community input of growing traffic safety concerns in neighborhoods and adoption of the Vison Zero Action Plan has since caused staff to revisit the current criteria and process. In 2023, staff researched other communities' traffic calming practices for consideration of potential changes to the traffic calming program. The proposed changes to the UDO are to align it with the updated roles and responsibilities within the traffic calming program as well as updating the criteria and process used to recommend and approve traffic calming devices based on staff's research conducted in 2023.

#### **Attachments**

- PH6-A1: Staff Report Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Amendments February 2024 -Traffic Calming
  - Public Notice Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Amendments February 2024 -Traffic Calming
- PH6-A2: Planning Board Report to Town Council Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)
  Amendments February 2024 Traffic Calming

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