

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	11/012/2019-2019 Radar List Approval for GDOT and non-GDOT Routes in Columbus
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Adoption of an ordinance listing the roadways approved for use of speed detection devices (radar) on all GDOT Routes and non-GDOT Routes in Columbus-Muscogee County.
INITIATED BY:	Department of Engineering

Recommendation: Adopt an ordinance listing the roadways approved for the use of speed detection devices (radar) on all Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) routes and non-GDOT routes in Columbus/Muscogee County.

Background: Section 40-14-2 of the Georgia Code requires all counties and municipalities to have an approved list of streets where speed detection devices (radar) may be used by law enforcement agencies to enforce speed limits. The approved list is submitted to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) every three years by the counties and municipalities. The signed list will be returned to DPS via GDOT. Columbus current list expires December 31, 2019.

Analysis: The Department of Engineering has reviewed the list and compared it to the current list. The 2019 list contains the following changes:

1. School Zone was removed for Daniel Middle School (Manchester Expressway-S.R.85) and Westminster School (Double Churches Road).
2. The School Zone was modified for the newly constructed Spencer High School.
3. A School Zone was added on 3rd Avenue for St Luke School.
4. The speed limit for Double Churches Road was lowered from 45 MPH to 40 MPH between Northfield Drive and Paprika Lane per traffic study.

Financial Considerations: The City will be responsible for the cost of installation and removal of conflicting signs.

Legal Considerations: Columbus must have a current radar list on file with Georgia Department of Public Safety in order for its Public Safety Officers to deploy radar for speed enforcement.

Recommendation/Action: Adopt an ordinance listing the roadways approved for the use of speed detection devices (radar) on all Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) routes and non-GDOT routes in Columbus/Muscogee County.