

ARTICLE IV. TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES

Sec. 17-36. Definitions.

Affected property owners shall mean all homeowners with lots having direct access to a public cul-de-sac or no outlet condition roadway; and all homeowners with lots adjacent to a public through street within a quarter mile of the location of a traffic calming device proposed to be placed thereon.

Eligible street shall mean a street meeting the minimum necessary criteria for the installation of a traffic calming device.

Impact area shall mean all properties abutting a cul-de-sac or no outlet street; and all property located adjacent to a public through street within a quarter mile of the location of a traffic calming device proposed to be placed thereon.

Private road shall mean a roadway owned and maintained by a private entity.

Public road shall mean a roadway owned and maintained by the City and/or Broward County.

Traffic calming device shall mean, but not be limited to speed tables, traffic circles/roundabouts, traffic islands and traffic chokers/chicanes.

Sec. 17-37. Private roads.

- (a) *Application.* The entity owning or having control of a private road shall apply to the City for an engineering permit prior to the installation of a traffic calming device. A permit application shall include the following:
- (1) A completed permit application form. Permit application forms shall be made available by the City Engineer.
 - (2) If the road is not the jurisdiction of, or owned by, a homeowner's association, community development district, or other community association, the permit application shall include the signatures of affected property owners located at 67 percent of the addresses within the projected impact area followed by the printed name, address, and the telephone number of each affected property owner. Only one person per address will be counted toward meeting this criterion.
 - (3) A traffic study justifying the need for the installation of traffic calming measure(s) as well as identifying the most appropriate traffic calming treatment to address the neighborhood's concerns. The study must also demonstrate that the evaluated road is not a major access route for emergency vehicles. The traffic study shall be performed, and signed/sealed, by a Florida licensed professional engineer.
 - (4) A set of engineering construction plans, signed and sealed by a professional engineer, showing the location of the selected traffic calming device to be installed, and providing sufficient design details to ensure construction of such device.
 - (5) Permit fee. Permit fees shall be determined by the City and may be related to the cost of installation for the desired traffic calming device(s).
- (b) *Payment.* The applicant shall be solely responsible for all costs associated with the design, permitting, inspection, installation and maintenance of the traffic calming device.
- (c) *Inspection.* Traffic calming devices installed on private roads shall be subject to inspection by the City Engineer. Traffic calming devices deemed not to be installed in accordance with the specifications

enumerated in an approved application and the provisions of this Code shall be reinstated at the applicant's sole cost and expense.

(Ord. No. 19-5-3, § 2, 2019)

Sec. 17-38. Public roads.

Traffic calming devices and measures may be installed by the City, provided all of the following conditions are met, and provided that a sufficient budget exists to fund the expenses associated with the installation of such devices/measures.

- (a) *Application process.* A petition for the installation of a traffic calming device on a public road must be submitted to the City Engineer by the duly authorized representative of the affected property owners within the impact area where the proposed traffic calming device(s) is to be located. The petition should include the following:
 - (1) A cover letter requesting consideration for the installation of a traffic calming device(s). The cover letter shall identify the traffic conditions that the traffic calming device is intended to rectify and shall identify a single representative of the petitioners who shall be authorized to communicate with the City.
 - (2) Signatures of affected property owners located at 67 percent of the addresses within the projected impact area followed by the printed name, address, and the telephone number of each affected property owner. Only one person per address will be counted toward meeting this criterion.
 - (3) Petitions shall be reviewed for completeness by the City Engineer. Petitions deemed to be incomplete shall be returned to the petitioner.
- (b) *Analysis and eligibility.*
 - (1) The City Engineer shall conduct the appropriate traffic engineering studies to determine the eligibility of the public road for installation of a traffic calming device(s) and the impact of such installation on the traffic patterns for the surrounding area and roadways.
 - (2) An eligible street must meet each of the following criteria:
 - a. The street is in an area zoned for residential use.
 - b. The street is not curved with a centerline radius of 350 feet or less.
 - c. The street must have no more than two lanes of traffic.
 - d. The street is not an alley.
 - e. The observed 85th percentile speed is at least ten mph over the posted or statutory speed limit.
 - f. The average daily traffic count must be no greater than 2,000 vehicles per day and no less than 500 vehicles per day.
 - g. The street is not a major access route for emergency vehicles.
 - h. The speed limit must be 30 miles per hour or less.
 - i. There are no other traffic calming devices or traffic control devices, including but not limited to stop signs and traffic signals, within 600 feet of the location of the proposed traffic calming device.

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- j. Speed humps/tables will not be considered within 200 feet of an intersection, in front of a driveway, or adjacent to fire hydrants.

(c) *Installation of traffic calming devices on public roads.*

- (1) The installation of traffic calming devices on public roads must be approved by the City Commission.
- (2) The City Engineer shall recommend the approval or disapproval of traffic calming devices to the City Commission.
- (3) The cost of the engineering study, design, installation and maintenance of traffic calming devices on public roads shall be borne by the City, contingent upon budgetary constraints.
- (4) The City may, at its option, install traffic calming devices in emergency situations as supported by traffic studies and approved by the City Commission.

(Ord. No. 10-8-2, § 2, 8-17-10; Ord. No. 19-5-3, § 2, 2019)