



City of Tualatin

## CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

**FROM:** Mike McCarthy, Principal Transportation Engineer  
Jeff Fuchs, Public Works Director

**DATE:** May 10, 2021

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### **SUBJECT:**

Consideration of Resolution Number 5543-21 Modifying the School Zone at SW 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue Near Tualatin Elementary School

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends Council adopt the attached resolution.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Tualatin Moving Forward Program Team is designing a project to improve safety and access in the area around Tualatin Elementary School. In listening to the community the two concerns we heard most were pedestrian safety and speeding, and one of the specific concerns heard most was speeding drivers on 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Sagert Street and confusion about the school speed zone on 95<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Approval of Resolution 5543-21 would allow installation of a single 'School 20mph When Flashing' speed zone on 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Avery Street to north of Sagert Street. This would improve safety by establishing a single School 20 zone along the whole school property, and reduce confusion about the speed limit on this section of 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Resolution 5543-21 would also allow a new 'School 20mph When Flashing' speed zone on Sagert St from 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue to east of 93<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Dozens of school children walk along Sagert Street and 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue each school day.

95<sup>th</sup> Avenue currently has two School Speed 20 zones in this area. One is a 'School Speed 20mph When Flashing' zone from Avery Street to 560 feet north of Avery Street. The second is a 'School Speed 20mph When Children are Present' zone from 350 feet south of Sagert Street to 255 feet north of Sagert Street. Between these is a 450-foot 35mph speed zone along the frontage of school property. We have heard much confusion as to the speed zone on this part of 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

### **OUTCOMES OF DECISION:**

Approval of attached Resolution 5543-21 would authorize revising the Speed zone on SW 95<sup>th</sup> Ave to a single 'School 20 When Flashing' zone from SW Avery St to north of SW Sagert St, and authorize a new 'School 20 When Flashing' zone on Sagert St east of 95<sup>th</sup> Ave.

### **ALTERNATIVES TO RECOMMENDATION:**

Council could decide not to authorize the school speed zone revisions on SW 95<sup>th</sup> Ave or Sagert

St. If this is the case, staff would look for other ways to address the citizen concerns heard as part of the project.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The costs to revise the school speed zone signage are budgeted as part of the Tualatin Moving Forward project fund.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Resolution 5543-21 for School Speed Zone Revisions on SW 95<sup>th</sup> Ave and SW Sagert St