

## **REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE: APRIL 23, 2008**

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER**

**BY: RAMIRO ADEVA, CITY ENGINEER**

**SUBJECT: APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 08-1473, LOWERING THE SPEED LIMIT ON DRIVER AVENUE**

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On February 28, 2007, the City Council adopted an updated engineering and traffic survey which recommended an increase in the posted speed limit for thirteen segments of the City's roadway system. Driver Avenue was one of those segments identified in the survey, and had its speed limit increased from 30 mph to 35 mph.

Although the increase in speed limit was justified by the survey, and in full compliance with state law, the City deemed it necessary to closely monitor Driver Avenue because of its unique roadway characteristics (i.e., length of open roadway, pedestrian and equestrian). And, since the primary purpose of posted speed limits is for the protection of the general public, staff felt that re-visiting the speed limit issue for this segment was necessary.

On December 12, 2007, the City's Traffic Engineer, conducted a second traffic survey on Driver Avenue, and determined that the data collected provided the allowance to either keep the speed limit at 35 mph, or decrease the limit to 30 mph. Ultimately, as stated above, because of the equestrian nature of the roadway, the lack of separation between pedestrians and motorists, the proximity to the high school, and the number of access points from the residences along the roadway, staff is recommending that the posted speed limit on Driver Avenue be decreased to 30 mph.

A copy of the updated traffic survey for Driver Avenue is available for public review in the City Clerk's office.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Approve the attached Resolution No. 08-1473, allowing for the decrease of the posted speed limit on Driver Avenue from 35 mph to 30 mph.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-1473**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, LOWERING THE SPEED LIMIT ON DRIVER AVENUE FROM 35 MPH TO 30 MPH**

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, an engineering and traffic survey was conducted on Driver Avenue within the City; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of that survey, staff has determined that lowering the posted speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph would be reasonable and safe and will facilitate the orderly movement of vehicular traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals, and each of them, are true and correct.

Section 2. This resolution reaffirms all other previous resolutions establishing speed limits within the City of Agoura Hills, and enacts a new speed limit of 30 mph instead of 35 mph on Driver Avenue as recommended by this Engineering and Traffic Survey.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby ordered to file certified copies of this resolution with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office.

Section 4. The speed limits established in Section 2 of this resolution shall become effective upon posting of the speed limit signs.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2008, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: (0)  
NOES: (0)  
ABSTAIN: (0)  
ABSENT: (0)

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John M. Edelston, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kimberly M. Rodrigues, City Clerk