

INTRODUCED: November 12, 2019

AN ORDINANCE No. 2019-320

To reduce the speed limit on Patterson Avenue between Willow Lawn Drive and Pepper Avenue from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour.

Patron – Mr. Addison

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JAN 13 2020 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the speed limit on the portion of Patterson Avenue between its intersection with Willow Lawn Drive and its intersection with Pepper Avenue is currently 35 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the bulk of the property fronting on Patterson Avenue between its intersection with Willow Lawn Drive and its intersection with Pepper Avenue is located within one of various residential zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that a lower speed limit will make Patterson Avenue safer for pedestrians; and

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: JUL 27 2020 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of the Council of the City of Richmond that the speed limit on the portion of Patterson Avenue between its intersection with Willow Lawn Drive and its intersection with Pepper Avenue should be 25 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, section 2-428 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, requires an appropriate study by the Department of Public Works prior to the adoption of an ordinance regulating motor vehicle traffic within the City, and section 46.2-878(A) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, provides that any increase or decrease in speed limits shall be effective only when prescribed after a traffic engineering investigation and when indicated on the highway by signs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has submitted the requisite traffic engineering investigation to the Council;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

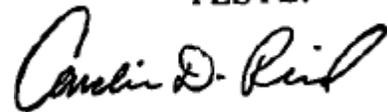
§ 1. That the speed limit on Patterson Avenue between its intersection with Willow Lawn Drive and its intersection with Pepper Avenue shall be 25 miles per hour.

§ 2. That the Department of Public Works shall install and maintain appropriate signs along the aforementioned portions of Patterson Avenue indicating the speed limits established by this ordinance.

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

A TRUE COPY:

TESTE:



City Clerk



Richmond City Council

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Richmond, Virginia

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Ordinance/Resolution Request

TO Allen Jackson, City Attorney

THROUGH Meghan Brown, Interim Council Chief of Staff MKB

FROM Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst

COPY Andreas Addison, 1st District Council Member
Daniel Wagner, 1st District Liaison
Haskell Brown, Deputy City Attorney

DATE October 23, 2019

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TITLE Lowering Speed Limit on Patterson Avenue from Willow Lawn Drive to Pepper Avenue to 25 mph

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This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance** **Resolution**

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

A. Addison

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Public Safety

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Patron requests that legislation be drafted for Council's consideration that would lower the speed limit on Patterson Avenue to 25 mph from the intersection of Willow Lawn Drive and Patterson Avenue to the intersection of Pepper Avenue.

BACKGROUND

The current posted speed limit of 35 mph on most of this roadway is too high for the increasing amount of traffic, on street parking, and pedestrian activity in this area of Patterson Avenue from its intersection with Willow Lawn Drive to its intersection with Pepper Avenue.

Much of the roadway is residential on both sides and commercial, with increasing commercial activity. It is hoped that a lower speed limit will make roadway safer for its pedestrians, shoppers, and drivers.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Impact Yes No

Budget Amendment Required Yes No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact \$ N/A

Note: Costs of signage is typically covered by the DPW operating budgets.

Attachment/s Yes No