

INTRODUCED: June 8, 2015

AN ORDINANCE No. 2015-138-163

As Amended

To reduce the speed limit on Floyd Avenue between North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour.

Patrons – Mr. Agelasto, Mr. Samuels and Mr. Baliles

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JULY 27 2015 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the speed limit on Floyd Avenue between North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street is currently 25 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, in reviewing the location, character, and extent of proposed traffic calming improvements to Floyd Avenue from North Thompson Street to North Laurel Street to create what is commonly referred to as a bike/walk street, the City Planning Commission and the Urban Design Committee recommended that a lower speed limit be addressed for this length of Floyd Avenue; and

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of the Council of the City of Richmond that it would be in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Richmond and especially the residents of this

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area to reduce the speed limit on Floyd Avenue between North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street to 20 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, section 2-454 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2004), as amended, requires an appropriate study by the City's Traffic Engineer prior to the adoption of an ordinance regulating motor vehicle traffic within the City; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been properly referred to the Department of Public Works and more than 60 days have elapsed since such referral.

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the speed limit on Floyd Avenue between North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street is hereby reduced to 20 miles per hour.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect [~~upon adoption~~] March 30, 2016, or on such other date as may be fixed by traffic order of the Director of Public Works if, prior to adoption, the speed limit on the aforesaid street has been reduced to 20 miles per hour.



Richmond City Council

Office of the Council Chief of Staff

Ordinance/Resolution Request

TO Allen Jackson, City Attorney

THROUGH Lou Ali, Council Chief of Staff *V. Jones for Lou Brown Ali*

FROM Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst

COPY Parker Agelasto, 5th District Council Member
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DATE May 28, 2015

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TITLE Speed Limit of 20 mph on Floyd Ave from Laurel St to Thompson St

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

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

P. Agelasto

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Land Use, Housing and Transportation

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

The patron request that a ordinance be prepared for Council's consideration that establishes a speed limit of 20 mph on Floyd Ave from its intersection with Laurel St. to its intersection with Thompson St.

BACKGROUND

This portions of Floyd Ave is being designated a bike boulevard. A speed limit of 20 mph will make the bike boulevard safer for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles traveling on the bike boulevard by improving the possibility of avoiding collisions and lessening the severity of collisions that do occur.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Impact Yes No

Budget Amendment Required Yes No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact \$ N/A

Note: Previously, Council has been informed that signage indicating speed limits on public roadways is paid for from the operating budget of DPW.

Attachment/s

Yes No