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Office of the City Clerk**

Request to Withdraw Legislation

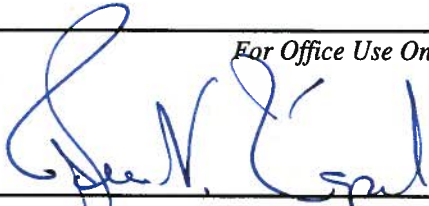
Paper Number: Ord. 2016-204

Chief Patron: Charles Samuels/Kimberly Gray

Introduction Date: July 25, 2016

Chief Patron Signature: Kimberly B. Gray

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Attestation: 

Effective Date: Feb. 9, 2017

INTRODUCED: July 25, 2016

AN ORDINANCE No. 2016-204

To reduce the speed limit on West Grace Street between North Lombardy Street and North Boulevard from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour.

Patron – Mr. Samuels

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: SEPT 26 2016 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the speed limit on West Grace Street between North Lombardy Street and North Boulevard is currently 25 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the roadway will be used as an alternate route for bypassing construction activity that will begin in late 2016 on the Bus Rapid Transit system on West Broad Street, and this roadway is currently an area frequented by bicyclists, pedestrians, and neighborhood vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that the anticipated increase in vehicular traffic on the roadway due to construction activity on the Bus Rapid Transit system on West Broad Street may lead to an increase in the number and severity of collisions between bicyclists, pedestrians, and automobiles in the area; and

AYES: _____ NOES: _____ ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: _____ REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

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 area to reduce the speed limit on West Grace Street between North Lombardy Street and North Boulevard to 20 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

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 West Grace Street between North Lombardy Street and North Boulevard is hereby reduced to 20 miles per hour.

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

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Ordinance/Resolution Request

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TO Allen Jackson, City Attorney

THROUGH Lou Ali, Council Chief of Staff *LA*

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FROM Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst *ST*

COPY Charles Samuels, 2nd District Council Member
Craig Bieber, 2nd District Liaison
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DATE July 1, 2016

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TITLE Establishing a 20 mph speed limit on W. Grace Street from its intersection with N. Lombardy Street to its intersection with N. Boulevard.

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

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

C. Samuels

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Land Use, Housing & Transportation

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Patron requests that legislation be drafted to establish a speed limit of 20 miles per hour on W. Grace Street from its intersection with N. Lombardy Street to its intersection with N. Boulevard.

BACKGROUND

Construction of the Bus Rapid Transit system on Broad Street is likely to increase the amount of vehicle traffic on the street. Construction is expected to begin in late 2016. The current speed limit is 25 mph. A speed limit of 20 miles per hour will make the street safer for pedestrians and vehicles by reducing the number and severity of automobile collisions.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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| Fiscal Impact | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Budget Amendment Required | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact | \$ 0 | |
| Note: Installation of signs showing the lower speed limit will be required as a result of an ordinance lowering the speed limit. Council Staff has been previously informed that costs for signage is typically about \$1,000 and that the costs is absorbed in the regular operating budget of the Department of Public Works. | | |

Attachment/s Yes No