

INTRODUCED: November 13, 2018

A RESOLUTION No. 2018-R099

To impose enhanced speeding penalties pursuant to City Code § 27-163 and to authorize the placement of signs giving notice thereof on the portion of Westwood Avenue located between Hermitage Road and Brook Road.

Patron – Ms. Gray

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: DEC 10 2018 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 46.2-878.2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, section 27-163 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, provides for the imposition of enhanced speeding penalties for operation of a motor vehicle in excess of the maximum speed limit on certain residential streets; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 27-163 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, the City has determined that the 85th percentile speed on the portion of Westwood Avenue located between Hermitage Road and Brook Road is at least ten miles per hour greater than the posted speed limit; and

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: DEC 17 2018 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

WHEREAS, the Council Member representing the Council District in which the portion of Westwood Avenue located between Hermitage Road and Brook Road is situated has submitted a written request for the application of the provisions of section 27-163 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best of interests of the citizens of the City of Richmond, especially those who reside on or near the portion of Westwood Avenue located between Hermitage Road and Brook Road, that the City Council authorize the placement of signs on such portions of Westwood Avenue in order to implement the enhanced speeding penalties for which section 27-163 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, provides;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That the placement of signs indicating the application of enhanced speeding penalties pursuant to section 46.2-878.2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and section 27-163 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, on the portion of Westwood Avenue located between Hermitage Road and Brook Road is hereby authorized in accordance with section 27-163(b)(3) of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended, with such signs to be placed no later than 30 days after the date on which this resolution is adopted.



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 Lou Ali, Council Chief of Staff *MVB of Bieber*

FROM Steven Taylor, Council Policy Analyst *ST*

COPY Kimberly Gray, 2nd District Council Member
 Craig Bieber, 2nd District Liaison
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DATE October 31, 2018

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TITLE Enhanced Speeding Penalties on a portion of Westwood Ave

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

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

K. Gray

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Land Use, Housing, and Transportation

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Patron request that legislation be drafted imposing enhanced speeding penalties on a portion of Westwood Avenue between Hermitage Road and Brook Road in accordance with Va. Code § 46.2-878.2 and City Code § 102-188 and authorizing appropriate signage to give the public notice of the enhanced penalties.

BACKGROUND

The City Department of Traffic Engineering has conducted such a study and found that the speed and volume justified enhanced penalties for speeding. Vehicles frequently travel above the posted speed limit of 25 mph in the area. Signage is necessary to reflect the enhanced penalty.

The Sherwood Park Civic Association and the Ginter Park Residents' Association have expressed support of this effort.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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	\$ Not Available at this writing.	
Note: Signage is typically paid for from the operating budget of DPW. Fines are collected by the Courts for the State. It is not possible to know how many tickets and fines will be issued as a result of the enhanced penalty being imposed in the future.		

Attachment/s Yes No Copies of Speed Tests from *The Traffic Group*.



The Traffic Group, Inc.

(800) 583-8411

www.trafficgroup.com

Description: Westwood Ave between Lammont St and Loxley Rd
 City: Richmond, VA

Latitude: 37.57825
 Longitude: -77.45437

	Mean Speed	Standard Deviation	Total Vehicles	Sample Size	% Of All Lanes	15th Percentile	50th Percentile	85th Percentile
10/17/2017								
Lane 1 (East)	29.81 MPH	6.00	1823	1823	100.00%	24.47 MPH	30.19 MPH	35.37 MPH
All Lanes	29.81 MPH	6.00	1823	1823	100.00%	24.47 MPH	30.19 MPH	35.37 MPH
10/18/2017								
Lane 1 (East)	30.89 MPH	6.03	1728	1728	100.00%	25.55 MPH	31.51 MPH	36.86 MPH
All Lanes	30.89 MPH	6.03	1728	1728	100.00%	25.55 MPH	31.51 MPH	36.86 MPH

ADT= 2978
 Speed Limit= 25.00 MPH