



Legislation Text

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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.

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

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.