

January 23, 2003

Honorable Mayor and Members of  
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of  
January 28, 2002

**SPEED HUMP POLICY**

**Recommendation:**

That this item be deferred until a revised speed hump policy has been recommended by the Public Works Commission.

**Background:**

On May 14, 2002, the Council approved the installation of speed humps on Hillcrest Drive. Construction on this resurfacing project has begun.

On November 12, 2002, Council received a request from residents of 9th Street for the installation of speed humps. After a discussion, staff was directed to have a speed survey done before this was presented to the Public Works Commission. The survey has been completed and will be part of the Commission's packet when it considers the request.

Staff prepared a draft policy that was recommended by the Commission and considered by the Council at its meeting of December 10, 2002. During its consideration of the draft policy, Councilmembers raised numerous concerns regarding, among other issues: the purpose of speed humps; the criteria that should be employed in determining eligibility; whether residents should be allowed to pay for the cost of speed humps whether or not their streets satisfied the criteria or were considered less of a priority than other streets; by what mechanism would the City determine priority if budgeted funds do not permit installation of humps on every street for which a request is submitted.

Based on Council's comments, staff is preparing a revised draft policy, scheduled for consideration by the Commission at its February 19th meeting. The Commission will also at that meeting take up the request from 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Staff plans to bring the revised policy, with Commission input, to the Council meeting of February 25, 2003 for your consideration.

At your last meeting, on January 14, Council asked that this matter be agendaized for tonight's meeting. However, in light of the foregoing, it is recommended that this matter be deferred to February 25, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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City Manager