

Legislation Text

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Consider adopting the Traffic Calming Plan for the Portland East Neighborhood Presented By: Erin Yancey, AICP, Public Works Planning Manager

The residents of the Portland East neighborhood have been participating in the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program since December 2017. The Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program is a partnership between the Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) and the Public Works Department that uses a phased approach to reduce speeding and cut-through traffic in residential neighborhoods. The first steps include education/encouragement toward drivers to reduce speeds, increased enforcement, and progress into engineered solutions, if the problems persist. The neighborhood participated in the education, encouragement, and enforcements steps, but found speeding and cut-through traffic persistant. City Council officially enrolled the neighborhood into the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program at its June 26, 2018 meeting, allowing it to advance toward exploring physical traffic calming measures (engineered solutions) with the Public Works Department.