SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 3.35 (ID # 14995) MEETING DATE: Tuesday, May 25, 2021

FROM:

TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION: Ordinance No. 452 - Initiation of Amendments to Ordinance No. 452 to Establish Speed Zones Enforceable by Radar Speed Detection Equipment in Various Areas of the County for FY 21/22. All Districts. [\$ 3,500 per amendment - Gas Tax 100%]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- Adopt an order initiating amendments to Ordinance No. 452 relating to Prima Facie Speed Limits to Establish Various Speed Zones Enforceable by Radar Speed Detection Equipment in various areas of Riverside County for the 2021/2022 fiscal year; and
- 2. Direct the Transportation and Land Management Agency (TLMA) to work with County Counsel to prepare and process these ordinance amendments as needed.

ACTION:Policy

Mark Lancaster, Divector of Transportation

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

4/12/2021

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Hewitt and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Hewitt

Nays:

None

Kecia R. Harper

Absent:

None

Clerk of the Board

Date:

May 25, 2021

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:		Next Fiscal Year:		Total Cost:			Ongoing Cost	
COST	\$	3,500	\$	0		\$	3,500	\$	0
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0		\$	0	\$	0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Gas Tax (100%). No General Funds used in this project.						Budget Adjustment: No			
						For Fiscal Year: 21/22			

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The County's prima facie speed limit ordinance, Ordinance No. 452, is the master ordinance that governs the establishment and posting of appropriate speed limits on county-maintained roadways. California Vehicle Code Section 40802 and California Manual on Uniform Traffic Controls Devices Section 2B.13 require the County to reevaluate speed zones within the County at least once every seven years. Due to the County's vast road system, the Transportation Department reevaluates speed zones in sections on a rolling basis to meet the requirements of state law. Historically, this Ordinance is amended three to four times per year to amend speed limits when warranted. Pursuant to Board of Supervisors Policy No. A-67, an order to initiate amendments to ordinances must be approved by the Board of Supervisors. Staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt an order to initiate amendments to Ordinance No. 452 when necessary next fiscal year to comply with state law which would authorize staff to prepare Ordinance revisions for introduction to establish speed zones as needed.

Ordinance revisions include the addition, deletion, and/or change of established speed limits on county-maintained roadways by conducting Engineering and Traffic Surveys (E&TS) in accordance with the California Vehicle Code (CVC), Sections 627 and 40802. Based upon the results of the completed E&TS, the Transportation Department will recommend designated radar-enforceable speed limits on county-maintained roadways as needed.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The establishing and posting of appropriate speed limits promote safe and orderly movements of vehicular traffic and enable the CHP to use radar equipment to enforce the speed limits. Since the recommended speed limits are based on actual speed surveys, most motorists are already driving at or below the recommended speed limits. Posted speed limits also guide motorists to drive at a reasonable speed in unfamiliar locations.

Additional Fiscal Information

Board of Supervisors Policy No. A-67 requires that the Board of Supervisors consider the cost associated with preparing, processing, and implementing an ordinance amendment in deciding

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whether to adopt an order initiating the ordinance amendment. The cost for establishing the recommended speed limits is primarily for the installation of speed limit signs, which is estimated at about \$3,500 per amendment.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A

ATTACHMENT:

N/A

Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst

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