Implementation of Speed Radar Signs for Speeding Concerns in Residential Areas

436.1 PURPOSE
This policy aims to address and alleviate concerns regarding speeding in residential areas by implementing the use of speed radar signs. These signs will serve as a proactive measure to promote safer driving habits, raise awareness about speed limits, and improve overall road safety for residents and pedestrians.

436.2 GOALS
The policy is designed to achieve the following objectives:

- Speed Awareness and Education, the first goal focuses on raising awareness and educating drivers about their speed and the importance of adhering to speed limits in residential areas. By installing speed radar signs, drivers should be more conscious of their speed, leading to a reduction in the number of speeding incidents.

- Speeding Deterrence, the second goal focuses on employing speed radar signs as a deterrent to discourage speeding in residential areas.

- Addressing complaints about speeding. This third goal is to assist with addressing the concerns brought forward to the Alder persons, the City or the Police Department.

436.3 PROCEDURES

436.3.1 PROCEDURE FOR MAKING A REQUEST FOR SPEED SIGN PLACEMENT
Procedure for Making a Request for Speed Sign Placement:

- Visit the City/Police Department website.

- Look for the PDF "Speed Sign Request" form.

- Fill out the form with your name, address, and contact information.

- Specify the location of the speeding concern, including the direction of travel.

- Note that the speed sign placement will be made in relation to your address or the specific location of your request, with consideration given to safety and visibility.

- Email the completed Speed Sign Request form to the designated PD Representatives.

436.3.2 PROCEDURE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVING A REQUEST

- PD representatives, the current assigned Patrol Sergeants, receives the Speed Sign Request form.

  - Patrol Sergeant surveys the requested location and designates a suitable location for the speed sign placement (mark the location for placement).

- Notify DPW (Department of Public Works) representative of the marked location by email.

- Coordinate with DPW to move all speed signs on one day to minimize impact and aid scheduling.

- If a speed sign does not have a specific request location, the PD representative selects a suitable location that meets community/department needs.

- Respond to the requester, providing the anticipated deployment date.

436.3.3 PROCEDURE FOR DPW

- DPW representative receives placement details by email from the PD representative.

- Place the speed sign in the marked location and direction as identified by the PD representative.

436.3.4 SPEED SIGN REQUEST TERMS

- Assess requests for safety and community needs.

- Review requests to ensure the requester is connected to the location where the speed sign is being placed.

- Requests should identify a location related to the requester's address and should not be used to intimidate, harass, or target specific drivers, neighborhoods, or locations.

- Grant placement for a minimum of 30 days, with possible extension up to 60 days if a speed sign is available and approved by the PD representative.

- Placement is dependent on weather conditions and generally not carried out from December 1 to March 31, unless weather conditions warrant placement.

- The Patrol Sergeant representative has the right to deny any request and must inform the Police Chief and requester of the denial.

436.4 CONCLUSION

The implementation of this policy may assist with reducing speeding incidents and complaints in residential areas, promote safer driving habits, and create a greater sense of security for residents and pedestrians. By raising awareness, deterring speeding, and utilizing data for informed decision-making, the City aims to create a culture of responsible driving that prioritizes the safety and well-being of our residential communities