
Traffic Calming Program Overview and Operating Procedures

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Presentation Agenda



1. What is Traffic Calming?
 - a. Definition
 - b. Benefits
2. Eligibility Criteria
3. Implementation Procedures
4. Other Considerations



Traffic Calming Definition



Traffic Calming is the combination of mainly physical measures that reduce the negative effects of motor vehicle use, alter driver behavior and improve conditions for non-motorized street users.

- National Institute of Transportation Engineers



Traffic Calming Benefits



Traffic calming strategies reduce hazardous speeds for motor vehicles and the severity and frequency of motor vehicle collisions. Additionally, traffic calming increases the safety and the perception of safety for non-motorized street users, reduces the need for police enforcement, and enhances the street environment, among other benefits.



Eligibility Criteria



The Town Commission shall consider a request for placement of traffic calming measures upon meeting all the following criteria:

1. The street is publicly dedicated, maintained by the town and located within a residential zoning district;
2. The area to be traffic calmed is at least 600 feet in length, between intersections;
3. The street is not an alley or a dead-end;

Eligibility Criteria (Cont.)



4. The street is not part of a bus route, a detour route, an evacuation route and/or an important access route for emergency vehicles; and will not block access to fire hydrants or impair travel for fire, rescue or solid waste vehicles.
5. A traffic study has been completed by Town staff or a qualified consultant contracted by the Town to determine and analyze traffic counts;
6. The 85th percentile speed is greater than 30 mph for those streets posted at 25 mph, or greater than 35 mph for those streets posted at 30 mph;

Eligibility Criteria (Cont.)



7. Traffic counts on the street are more than 500 but less than 3,000 vehicles per day;
8. For requests for a street identified on the Town's Mobility Plan, the requested traffic calming measures must be consistent with the Town's Mobility Plan and will require prioritization of such street by the Town Commission, contingent on available funds;



Eligibility Criteria (Cont.)



9. There must be written support, in the form of a petition with names, signatures and property addresses, from at least 75 percent of the residents whose properties front the area proposed to be traffic calmed. Such support must include 51 percent of the actual property owners.



Implementation Procedures



Requestor
submits
Application

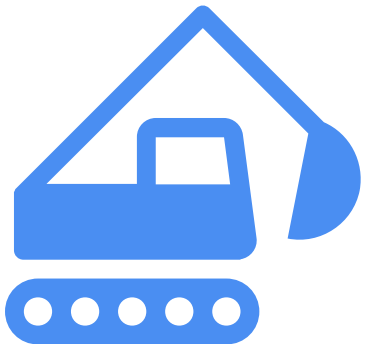
Traffic Study

Application
Review*

Construction
of Traffic
Calming
Device

Procurement
Process

Public Hearing
• Application
Approved?



Application Reviewer Workflow*



Public Works
Dept.

Police Dept.
(PBSO)

Traffic
Engineer
/Landscape
Architect

Other
Reviewers

Community
Development
Dept.

Fire Dept
(PBCFR)



Other Considerations



- Application consists of the Town Application Form, Petition Form, and Application Fee payment (\$50 for FY-24)
- Ordinance limits annual applications to three (3) per Fiscal year
- **Traffic Study/Review Period:** Within Sixty (60) days from receipt of a complete application
- **Presentation to Town Commission:** Within Ninety days from receipt of a complete application
- Projects quota excludes Town-initiated traffic calming projects, that may be initiated at the Town's discretion

Other Considerations (Cont.)



- Town's Purchasing Ordinance and other applicable policies/procedures still apply
- Once approved, Town staff will proceed expeditiously to design and implement approved projects
- Funding from Mobility Fees currently available
- Town assumes maintenance responsibility for traffic calming devices on Town-owned roads
- Once adopted, program information, forms will be posted on Town's website and the program will be advertised to the public

Learn More About Traffic Calming



Visit the Town's Public Works Department webpage to information about Traffic Calming and other programs.



www.lakeparkflorida.gov/projects



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Discussion/Questions