



## 'SPEED HUMP POLICY Adopted February 2001

It is the policy of the City of Hawthorne to consider requests for speed humps as outlined below.

### 1) Speed Humps on streets adjacent to schools.

Speed humps on streets adjacent to schools will be considered for installation upon request from the School District Superintendent. The Police Department Traffic Bureau and the Public Works Department Engineering Division will confer on these requests and make recommendations to the City Manager. Upon approval by the City Council of specific speed hump installations adjacent to schools, it will be the policy of the City to pay for their installation.

### 2) Speed Humps on streets in residential areas not adjacent to schools.

Residents may request the City to investigate specific streets for speed hump installation. When such a request is made the following procedure will be followed.

#### a.) A Petition is Required.

Before the City will consider such requests, the residents making such a request must submit to the City Clerk a petition signed by at least 2/3rds of the residential properties on each city block where speed hump installation is requested.

#### b.) If Standard City Criteria for Speed Humps are met.

Upon receipt and verification of a petition by the City Clerk's office, the verified petition will be forwarded to the Engineering Division of Public Works for study and report to the City Council. The Engineering Division report will determine whether the subject street meets the City's standard criteria for speed hump installation. These standard criteria are as follows:

- i) Traffic volume on the subject street of between 500 to 2000 vehicles per day.
- ii) The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed is 7 mph or more over the speed limit.
- iii) The street is a residential street not over 40 feet in width.
- iv) The gradient of the street does not exceed 2.5%.

If upon investigation the Engineering Division determines that the street meets all of the above criteria, this will be reported to the City Council with the recommendation that a speed hump be installed at City expense.

#### c.) If Standard City Criteria for Speed Humps are not met.

In the event that the criteria outlined in paragraph 2 b) are not met, the Engineering Division will report this to the City Council. In this event, the City Council may direct that the speed hump will:

- i) Not be installed. In this case the residents will be informed of the City Council's decision or ....
- ii) The City Council will direct the installation of the speed hump pending collection and deposit of funds sufficient to install the speed hump and appurtenant signs and striping. The Engineering Division will supply the petitioning residents with the approximate costs of the speed hump installation, and it will be the resident's sole responsibility to obtain the necessary funds from the residents on the affected street.

