

## Legislation Text

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### Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy

#### **Action:**

**Approve the Safe Communities Committee's recommendation to accept the proposed Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy updates.**

#### **Committee Chair:**

Larken Egleston, Safe Communities Committee

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Current Policy**

- The Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy was adopted in 1997, with the last update occurring in 2018.
- This Policy provides criteria for traffic calming tools, including speed humps and multi-way stops for residential streets. Moderating travel speeds through neighborhoods supports the City's Vision Zero efforts.
- Resident-driven petitions are a current method in which a neighborhood can be approved for speed humps or multi-way stops.
- For a petition to be successful, the existing petition requirements include the original signature of one parcel owner of record and the requirement for 60 percent support of all property owners within the impact area.

#### **Proposed Changes**

- Based on feedback from the community and peer city research, proposed revisions to the policy include removing the petition process from the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy. This will remove a barrier and better align Charlotte's policy with other cities.

#### **Committee Discussion**

- The Safe Communities Committee received information and discussed proposed changes to the policy at the March 1 and April 13, 2022 Committee meetings.
- On April 13, 2022, the Committee voted in favor of advancing the proposed Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy updates to the full Council (Council members Egleston, Phipps, and Johnson voted in favor; Council members Bokhari and Newton were absent).
- Full Council received a presentation highlighting the current policy with proposed changes at the City Council Strategy Session on June 6, 2022.

#### **Attachment(s)**

Draft Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy