



# SPEED HUMPS POLICY

A speed hump is a gentle rise and fall of pavement surface placed across the width of the roadway. It is intended to reduce vehicle speed and cut-through traffic. Speed humps are one of several "traffic calming" devices the City of Corpus Christi offers through the Residential Traffic Management Program (RTMP).

City Ordinance No. 23289, 4-29-1998

## **Step One: REQUEST**

A request for Speed Humps begins by completing a "**Traffic Control Device Installation Request**" form. The form is available by calling or visiting the City of Corpus Christi Street Operations-Traffic Engineering Department. It can also be downloaded from the City's website at <http://Forward.cctexas.com>.

Requests can be initiated by a resident or group of residents who reside along the street block section(s) requesting the speed hump. A neighborhood association can also make a request. However, only a designated contact will receive all correspondence from the City. This designated contact is also responsible for petition signatures.

A **non-refundable \$100.00** administration fee is required to process an eligible request.

## **Step Two: ELIGIBILITY**

City staff reviews all requests to determine if the street block section meets the following eligibility requirements:

- Classified as a "residential" street
- Not more than 40' wide (measured from back-of-curb)
- Speed limit of 30MPH or less
- Average at least 400 vehicles per day (measured during the engineering study)
- Have at least 85% of vehicles traveling greater than the speed limit (measured during the engineering study)

**Requests meeting all the above eligibility requirements and approval of both the Fire and Police Departments will proceed to *Step Three: Funding*. All applicants will be notified of the application status.**



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## **Step Three: PETITION PROCESS**

A petition is required to determine support for the installation of a speed hump. The designated contact will be responsible for circulating the petition. Approval will not be granted for installations that do not have the support of at least two-thirds (66%) of the property owners along the eligible street block section(s).

**There is no cost obligation to signing the petition.**

## **Step Four: FUNDING**

The City shares in the cost for funding speed hump installations. Funding is limited (approximately \$25,000 annually). The City receives several requests for speed hump installations each year. A point system has been established to fairly rank the priority of each request. This point system is also used to determine the share of the City's cost. Points are based on the following criteria:

- Reported traffic accidents (due to excess travel speeds)
- Speed
- Traffic volume
- Neighborhood (proximity to schools, parks, pedestrian generators)

If funding is not available, a street section eligible for cost-sharing will be placed on a priority waiting list. An applicant can choose to pay 100 % of the estimated cost at any time to expedite the process.

## **Step Five: LOCATION**

Speed humps will be installed following guidelines in the Residential Traffic Management Program (RTMP). City staff will not approve installations in front of driveways, within an intersection, or within 200 feet of a STOP sign.

## **Additional Information:**

Contact City Street Operations-Traffic Engineering Department for any additional questions regarding the installation or removal of a speed hump.

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