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Buildings and Grounds ID Number: ID#17-0539	Date: 4/26/2017
Submitted By: Eric Payne, Building and Grounds President	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney Click here to enter text.

Subject:

Approve Lowering the speed limit to 35 MPH on Summit Ave. from University Drive to Meadowbrook Road.

Details:

This referral was made by Ald. Boyle by request of local residents adjacent to Summit Avenue. The request is to lower the posted speed limit to 35 MPH. Currently Summit Avenue is posted 45 MPH in this section. Recently, the City jurisdictionally accepted Summit Avenue from the Wisconsin DOT. Since this is now a city roadway, a lower speed limit is recommended. Engineering staff had conducted a spot speed study and determined that lowering the posted speed limit from 45 to 35 MPH will not affect the operation of this section of Summit Avenue. As with any lowering of the speed limit, it is suggested that the police department do a patrol and enforcement of the new speed zone when it is installed.

The Committee voted unanimously to approve this item.

Options & Alternatives: Do not change the posted speed limit. A lower speed limit will encourage lower driving speeds. However, the police department would have to periodically patrol this location to insure that drivers are complying with a lower speed limit.

Financial Remarks:

The cost of installing new speed limit signs will be about \$150 total and would be covered by the 2017 B&G Sign Budget (3310.54140).

Executive Action:

If approved by Council, the resolution for approving the installation of these signs will need to be executed by the Mayor and Clerk after the Council Meeting.

Committee Recommendation:

The Buildings and Grounds Committee approved this item at their April 17, 2017 meeting. This item will appear under the Consent Agenda for the May 02, 2017 council meeting.

