ORDINANCE NO. 7345

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CITIZENS TO PETITION THIS CITY COUNCIL FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the adoption of Resolution No. 5672 established procedures for citizens to petition the City for the installation of speed humps; and

WHEREAS, this City Council finds that changes need to be made to said resolution and that said resolution shall be made in the form of an ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the following procedures are hereby established for citizens who wish to petition the City of North Little Rock for the installation of speed humps:

SPEED HUMP PETITION PROCEDURES:

1. Any citizen who desires to circulate a petition for the installation of a speed hump may obtain a copy of such a petition from the City Clerk’s office.

2. Upon obtaining a petition in support of the installation of a speed hump, the citizen shall circulate the petition to those individuals who are in support thereof. Following the circulation of the petition, the petition shall be filed with the City Clerk. The petition shall contain at least one point of contact.

3. All petitions filed with the City Clerk shall be stamped as received on the date received. All petitions received on or prior to December 31st shall be reviewed for installation in the following year.

4. At the beginning of each year, the City Clerk shall forward all petitions filed with the Clerk’s office during the prior year to the City’s Traffic Services Department.

5. Upon receiving the petitions, the Traffic Services Department shall review each petition and provide the City Council with a list of recommended speed hump locations. Upon receiving the recommended list, the City Council may proceed with appropriating money for the installation of said speed humps.

6. All individuals listed as a point of contact on each petition that is reviewed shall be notified by letter as to the result of their petition efforts by the Traffic Services Department.
7. Any member of the City Council who desires to have a speed hump installed that is not on the recommended list may sponsor a resolution for the installation of said speed hump. The passage requirement for such a resolution shall be by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

8. Upon finalizing a recommended list, the Traffic Services Department shall forward the list to the Mayor and all Aldermen. If the Mayor or any two Aldermen oppose the installation of any speed hump on the recommended list, the Traffic Services Department shall remove the location from the list. The Mayor or Aldermen shall request the removal within fourteen (14) days after receiving the list from the Department.

SECTION 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3. That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 4. That the North Little Rock City Council has hereby found and determined that the provisions of this ordinance are immediately necessary in order to assure that the City of North Little Rock is able to allow citizens to petition for the installation of speed humps; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, shall be in full force and effect immediately.

PASSED:

2/12/01

APPROVED:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

SPONSOR:

/s/ Murray Witcher
Murry Witcher

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Paul Suskie
Paul Suskie, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/P