O-21-51

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 7345; ESTABLISHING REVISED PROCEDURES FOR CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS TO PETITION THE CITY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS; ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SAID SPEED HUMPS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2001, the City of North Little Rock ("the City") passed Ordinance No. 7345, which established procedures for citizens to petition the City Council for the installation of speed humps and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to repeal Ordinance No. 7345 and to establish revised procedures in order to streamline the process and to provide objective guidelines for the approval and installation of speed humps.

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

SECTION 1: That Ordinance No. 7345 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2: That the following procedures are hereby established for citizens who wish to petition the City Council 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 (see Petition for Speed Hump Evaluation Study attached as Exhibit A) from the City Clerk Office.

2. Upon obtaining a petition, the citizen shall circulate the petition to residents who live on the street with the requested speed hump between the cross streets identified on the petition. The citizen circulating the petition must make an effort to obtain signatures of all of the residents on the affected segment of the street. 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. The occupants of at least 75% of the residences on the affected segment of the street must support the installation of the speed hump in order for the speed hump to be considered for approval.

3. Upon receiving the petition, the Traffic Services Department shall first determine whether the proposed speed hump meets all requirements set forth in Section 3 of this Ordinance with the exception of the speed study. If a determination is made that all requirements are met, the Traffic Services Department shall perform the

speed study as set forth in Section 3 of this Ordinance. If all of the requirements, including the results of the speed study, are met, the Traffic Services Department will forward the petition to the City Council members who represent the ward where the proposed speed hump is located. Installation of speed humps requires approval of both City Council members, with the cost of installation to be paid from the ward's sales tax capital improvement street and drainage funds.

4. 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.

SECTION 3: The following requirements are hereby established for the installation of speed humps:

SPEED HUMP REQUIREMENTS

1. Speed humps shall only be installed on local two-lane residential streets with a posted speed limit of 30 mph or less.

2. Speed humps shall not be installed on streets with significant amounts of emergency and transit vehicles.

3. Results of a speed study shall conclude that the 85th percentile speed is 10 mph or greater than the posted speed limit.

4. The City of North Little Rock may restrict parking within 50 feet of the speed hump if deemed necessary.

5. Speed humps shall not be installed within 200 feet of a STOP or Yield sign.

6. Speeds humps shall not be installed within 25 feet of a storm drain.

SECTION 4: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 5: 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 6: That it is hereby found and determined that procedures and guidelines as provided for herein is to be in the best interests of the City, and is immediately necessary in order to insure the proper and orderly growth of the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Terry C. Hartwick

SPONSOR:

Council Member Charlie High

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/kt

FILED 11:05 A.M. ___ P.M.

BY Amy Fields

DATE 6.8.21

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector
North Little Rock, Arkansas

RECEIVED BY S. Usery

City Of North Little Rock

Petition For Speed Hump Evaluation Study

Date: _____

We, the residents of_____ Street request the City of North Little Rock Traffic Services to conduct a speed study to determine if the following street satisfies the city adopted requirements for speed hump installation:

Name of affected Street _____

Between _____ & _____

(Intersections or Addresses)

Note:

1. Study will be conducted ONLY if 75% of the residents (fronting the affected street) support speed hump installation.
2. Speed Humps may be installed ONLY if funding is available and study results indicate that speed hump requirements are met.
3. Please make efforts to obtain signatures of ALL residents on the affected street (whether *for* or *against)*
4. Signature MUST be of the residents of the affected street.
5. Only one signature per household allowed.

Name/ Address and phone # of the person representing the affected street: _____

_____

Return *originals* to: **City Clerk's Office**
Attn: Diane Whitbey
300 Main St.
North Little Rock, AR 72114

Please read carefully before signing:

While speed humps generally reduce vehicle speeds, they may also create other inconveniences such as increased vehicular noise in the vicinity of speed humps. Also, because of spacing requirements, it is possible that a speed hump, associated pavement markings and signage, as well as restricted parking may be installed adjacent to your property.

Signature	Printed Name	Address	For	Against

EXHIBIT
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Jefferson Little Rock

Petition For Speed Hump Evaluation Study

Note: Please read first page before signing

Signature	Printed Name	Address	For	Against