

Draft Minutes
Advisory Traffic & Safety Board Meeting
April 12, 2016

TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDERS:

2016-0147 Hamlin Road Speed Study and Request for Approval of Traffic Control Order SL-20-16 Speed Limit Forty Five (45) miles per hour along Hamlin Road from Adams Road to Dequindre Road

Mr. Shumejko stated that a traffic study was performed along Hamlin Road to determine the warranted speed limit, as established by Michigan Manual Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) and accepted traffic engineering principles. The Advisory Traffic and Safety Board had requested that city staff initiate this study upon the recent completion of the Hamlin Road improvements.

Hamlin Road is designated as an Urban Minor Arterial road. Traffic speed counts were obtained from March 15-18, 2016 to identify the 85th percentile speed. Traffic crash data was also obtained from the Traffic Improvement Association's website for the period of January 1, 2013 through the present time.

Mr. Shumejko stated that based on the results of said traffic study, it is recommended to establish a consistent speed limit of 45 mph for Hamlin Road. He also stated that a further study may be warranted at such time that Hamlin Road from the City limit to Adams Road is transferred from the Road Commission for Oakland County to the City.

Mr. Shumejko stated that since current state law limits the school zone reduced speed zone to a maximum reduction of 15 MPH, the existing school speed zone signs near Hamlin Elementary will need to be reprogrammed from 25 MPH to 30 MPH. City staff will contact the Rochester Community Schools regarding this revision. He also stated that staff recommends implementing the revised Hamlin Road speed limit after school lets out in June in order to maintain consistency for the remainder of this school year. He also stated that staff will conduct a ball bank study along the Hamlin Road curve near Crooks Road to determine if warning speed plaques are recommended.

Mr. Shumejko asked that the Advisory Traffic and Safety Board support having TCO No. SL-20-16 issued and that the ATSB recommend City Council approve the TCO until rescinded or superseded.

SL-20-16.1 Speed Limit Forty Five (45) miles per hour along Hamlin Road from Adams Road to Dequindre Road.

Mr. Colling asked if there was any discussion on this topic.

Mr. Pozolo didn't feel it was appropriate to raise the speed limit by the schools. He has seen many kids darting across Hamlin Road by the school. It was noted that children were not supposed to be using the playground at the elementary school after school hours as it is a liability to the school. He stated that most kids didn't go down to where they were supposed to cross and just darted across the road.

Mr. Shumejko noted that the speed study clearly showed that the traffic was traveling above 45 MPH at every stretch studied already. The lowest 85th percentile speed being 45.5 MPH and that was between Livernois Road and Rochester Road.

Mr. Moore made a motion to rescind Traffic Control Orders SL-5, SL-8, and SL-63-105-81 and adopt TCO SL-20-16.1 making a consistent 45 MPH along Hamlin Road, with the exception of the school area, and that the Advisory Traffic and Safety Board recommend that City Council approve TCO SL-20-16.1 until rescinded or superseded.

**MOTION by Moore
SECOND by Neveau**

**Ayes: All
Nays: Pozolo
Absent: None**

MOTION CARRIED