

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:

Department Name: Public Works

Department No.: 054

For Agenda Of: August 21, 2012
Placement: Set Hearing for

September 11, 2012

Estimated Tme: 15 Minutes

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If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Department, 568-3010

Contact Info: Eric Pearson, Interim Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3005

SUBJECT: Playground Speed Zones Ordinance, All Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Set a public hearing for September 11, 2012, to consider the introduction of an Ordinance amending Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 23, Sections 23-15.3, 23-15.4, 23-15.5, 23-15.6, 23-15.7, and 23-15.8, pertaining to speed limits adjacent to children's playgrounds and approve a 25mph speed zone on Merida Drive, Second Supervisorial District (15 minutes);
- B. Conduct a second hearing on September 18, 2012 (on the Administrative Agenda) to approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Ordinance, amending Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 23 Sections 23-15.3, 23-15.4, 23-15.5, 23-15.6, 23-15.7, and 23-15.8, pertaining to speed limits adjacent to children's playgrounds, and approve a 25mph speed zone on Merida Drive, Second Supervisorial District;
- C. Approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15301 (c), pertaining to maintenance and operation of existing facilities, for this project.

Summary Text:

In accordance with the California Vehicle Code 22357.1, the Public Works Department prepared an Ordinance to amend county code Chapter 23, Section 23-15.3 to permit 25mph Speed limits in areas adjacent to children's playgrounds. Under this code, Public Works recommends a 25mph speed zone on Merida Drive in the Second Supervisorial District.

Merida Drive parallels the San Jose Creek County Open Space which is frequented by children and families. The Open Space includes play structures and turf play areas.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No **Authored by:**

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