



City of Arts & Innovation

Transportation Board

TO: TRANSPORTATION BOARD **DATE: DECEMBER 3, 2025**

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **WARDS: 1 & 3**

SUBJECT: SPEED LIMIT ZONE ESTABLISHMENTS – FIRST STREET AND VICTORIA AVENUE FRONTAGE ROAD

ISSUES:

Consideration of: 1) establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit zone on First Street from Orange Street to Main Street; and 2) establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit zone on Victoria Avenue Frontage Road from Laramie Road to Arlington Avenue Frontage Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Transportation Board recommend that the City Council approve:

1. Establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit zone on First Street from Orange Street to Main Street; and
2. Establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit zone on Victoria Avenue Frontage Road from Laramie Road to Arlington Avenue Frontage Road.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Works Department performs speed surveys to establish appropriate speed limits on City streets including those classified as collector or arterial roadways and local roadways which do not meet the California Vehicle Code (CVC) definition of a “Residence District”. These surveys include consideration of prevailing speeds as determined by traffic engineering measurements, accident data, unusual conditions not readily apparent to motorists, residential density, and pedestrian and bicyclist safety. These surveys are performed in accordance with the CVC and California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) and enable both establishment and enforcement of the posted speed limit on City streets.

DISCUSSION:

First Street

First Street from Orange Street to Main Street is a two-lane local roadway with a mixture of single family and multi-unit residential properties and commercial properties (one commercial property

is vacant) situated along the street segment. There is currently no posted speed limit within this stretch of roadway and the street segment does not have the residential density to meet the California Vehicle Code (CVC) definition of a residential district to qualify for prima facie 25 MPH zone thus requiring a speed survey to determine the appropriate speed limit. To establish an enforceable speed limit, the Public Works Department conducted a Traffic and Engineering Survey on First Street from Orange Street to Main Street which concluded the current 85th percentile speed to be 27 MPH. As a result of the survey findings, the Public Works Department is recommending establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit on First Street from Orange Street to Main Street.

The new speed limit would extend the existing 25 MPH posted speed limit on First Street east of Orange Street.

Victoria Avenue Frontage Road

Victoria Avenue frontage road from Laramie Road to Arlington Avenue is a two-lane local roadway with residential properties situated along the west side of the street segment and a median along the east side of the street segment which separates the frontage road from Victoria Avenue primary street. There is currently no posted speed limit within this stretch of roadway and the street segment does not have the residential density to meet the California Vehicle Code (CVC) definition of a residential district to qualify for prima facie 25 MPH zone thus requiring a speed survey to determine the appropriate speed limit. To establish an enforceable speed limit, the Public Works Department conducted a Traffic and Engineering Survey on Victoria Avenue Frontage Road from Laramie Road to Arlington Avenue frontage road which concluded the current 85th percentile speed to be 26 MPH. As a result of the survey findings, the Public Works Department is recommending establishment of a 25 MPH speed limit on Victoria Avenue frontage road from Laramie Road to Arlington Avenue frontage road.

The Arlington Avenue frontage road, which ties directly into the Victoria Avenue frontage road, is currently posted at 25 MPH at it extends into the new speed limit zone.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of sign removal, fabrication, and installation is estimated to be \$800. Funding is available in the existing Public Works Department budget, Signing Supplies account number 4110100-424143, to cover this cost.

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Attachments:

1. First Street – Site Map
2. First Street – Aerial Map
3. Victoria Avenue Frontage Road – Site Map

4. Victoria Avenue Frontage Road – Aerial Map
5. Presentation