

# Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: March 15, 1999

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING SECTIONS 10.48.010 AND 10.48.030 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SPEED LIMITS IN THE CITY OF PASADENA (MARENGO AVENUE)

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING SECTIONS 10.48.010 AND 10.48.030 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SPEED LIMITS IN THE CITY OF PASADENA (MARENGO AVENUE)

BACKGROUND:

Marengo Avenue south of Del Mar Boulevard is designated as a "de-emphasis" street in the Mobility Element of the General Plan. This segment of Marengo Avenue also lies within the Southwest Traffic Plan area. As part of the de-emphasis process and the Southwest Traffic Plan implementation, the striping on Marengo Avenue south of Glenarm Street was modified to include diagonal parking as well as the installation of additional stop controls. The striping on Marengo Avenue between Del Mar Boulevard and Glenarm Street was modified to reduce the number of travel lanes from two lanes in each direction to one lane in each direction. This change also included the installation of a continuous two-way left turn lane and bike lanes on both sides of the street.

In view of these changes on Marengo Avenue between Del Mar Boulevard and Los Robles Avenue and at the request of the Southwest Traffic

MEETING OF \_\_\_\_\_ 03/15/99

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.A.3.

Monitoring Committee, an engineering and traffic survey was conducted to determine whether the existing 35 miles per hour speed limit was still appropriate. The results of the survey indicate that a 5 miles per hour reduction in the speed limit is appropriate at this time based on the existing conditions.

On December 14, 1998, the City Council certified the Engineering and Traffic Survey for Marengo Avenue south of Del Mar Boulevard which recommended a 5 mile per hour ("mph") reduction in the posted speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph.

This proposed speed limit change on this section of Marengo Avenue requires an amendment to the ordinance establishing speed zones in the City. After the amendment is completed, City forces will change the speed limit signs on this portion of Marengo Avenue.

PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE:

The proposed ordinance will allow for a reduction in the posted speed limit on Marengo Avenue between Del Mar Boulevard and the South City Line as described in the staff report presented to City Council on December 14, 1998.

REASON WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

The Pasadena Municipal Code may only be amended by ordinance of the City Council.

PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

The proposed ordinance amendment will primarily affect the residents and commuters on South Marengo Avenue. The Transportation Division of the Public Works and Transportation Department will install the signs, whereas the Police Department and the City Prosecutor's Office will be required to enforce the new speed limits on Marengo Avenue.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

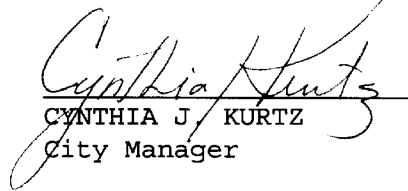
The Environmental Administrator has determined that the proposed ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act

(CEQA) under the General Rule that CEQA applies only to activities which may have a significant effect on the environment (section 15061(b)(3)).


FISCAL and SERVICE IMPLICATIONS:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Public Works and Transportation budget from the implementation of the proposed ordinance as there are sufficient funds in the budget to cover the new signage.

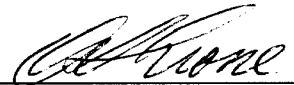
Respectfully submitted,

  
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City Attorney

Introduced by Councilmember

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING SECTIONS  
10.48.010 AND 10.48.030 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE  
REGARDING SPEED LIMITS IN THE CITY OF PASADENA (MARENCO AVENUE)

The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The portion of Section 10.48.010 of the Pasadena  
Municipal Code which reads, "Marengo Avenue from Glenarm Street to Los  
Robles Avenue ..... 35 mph," is amended to read as follows:

"Marengo Avenue from Glenarm Street to Los Robles Avenue  
..... 30 mph."

SECTION 2. The portion of Section 10.48.030 of said code which  
reads, "Marengo Avenue from Del Mar Boulevard to Glenarm Street .....  
35 mph," is amended to read as follows:

"Marengo Avenue from Del Mar Boulevard to Glenarm Street  
..... 30 mph."

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this  
ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published in full text.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect thirty days after  
its publication.

Signed and approved this            day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

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Chris Holden  
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by  
the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held the \_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

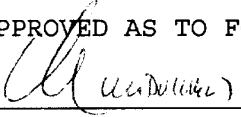
Absent:

Abstain:

Published:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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