

**BILL NO. 2328**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2328**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 90-221 OF CHAPTER 90 STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, ARTICLE IV AND SECTION 98-7 CHAPTER 98 TRAFFIC, ARTICLE I, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LADUE, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI REGARDING OBSTRUCTIONS OF STREETS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ladue recognizes the need for policies and procedures to improve neighborhood safety and quality of life through the use of various traffic calming strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, traffic calming measures as defined by the Institute of Traffic Engineers, are a combination of mainly physical measures that reduce the negative effects of motor vehicle use, alter driver behavior, and improve conditions for non-motorized street users; and

**WHEREAS**, proposed amendments will include a procedure that would allow for temporary placement of traffic calming devices, such as mobile traffic barriers, only following the approval of the City Traffic Commissioner, Fire Authority, and Police Chief, and the issuance of a Traffic Calming Device Permit; and

**WHEREAS**, current ordinances will continue to prohibit the construction of, or maintenance of some traffic calming devices such as humps, ridges, or depressions; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, in coordination with the Public Works Committee, to allow certain traffic calming measures in an effort to slow speeds for motor vehicles, while increasing street safety; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of this bill has been made available for public inspection prior to its consideration by the Council and read by title two times in an open meeting prior to passage.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The City of Ladue hereby amends Section 90-221 of Chapter 90 Streets and Sidewalks, Article IV. of the Ladue Code of Ordinances as presented in Exhibit A (by enacting the blue text and repealing the struck through language.

**SECTION 2.** The City of Ladue hereby amends Section 98-7 of Chapter 98 Traffic, Article I. of the Ladue Code of Ordinances as presented in Exhibit A (by enacting the blue text and repealing the struck through language.

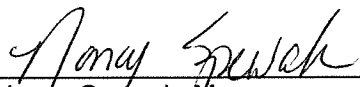
**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

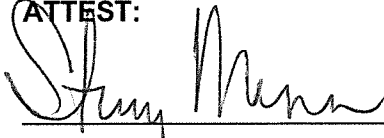
**PASSED THIS 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.**



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President, City Council

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.**

  
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Nancy Spewak, Mayor

**ATTEST:**  
  
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Stacey Mann, City Clerk

## EXHIBIT A

### Sec. 98-7. - ~~Humps, ridges or depressions~~ Traffic Calming Devices in streets.

- a) It shall be unlawful for any person to construct or keep or maintain speed bumps, humps, ridges, ~~or~~ depressions, or other such traffic calming devices deliberately constructed or kept or maintained in any public street, private street, or highway fire apparatus access road in the city., including private streets over which the public is permitted to travel.
- b) The following exception shall be permitted; mobile traffic barriers (barriers), commonly known as "horses" shall be permitted on private streets under the following conditions.

Barriers placed on opposite sides of the paved roadway areas shall be no closer to each other than 45 feet and shall have at least 10 feet of pavement opposite any barrier.

The City shall consider approval of temporary placement, for a maximum period of 120 days of traffic calming devices on private roads upon written request in the event of anticipated high pedestrian traffic due to proposed special events. The following procedure will be required:

Individuals requesting temporary placement of traffic calming devices shall submit for a special use traffic calming device permit.

The application for a traffic calming device special use permit will require the review and approval of the City Traffic Commissioner, Fire Authority, and Police Chief.

The following temporary traffic calming devices may be acceptable, depending on the proposed location and demonstrated need: Rumble Strips, Speed Cushions, Speed Tables, Temporary Signage, or Pavement Markings

- c) In private subdivisions, it shall be the duty of the person having responsibility for the maintenance of streets therein to comply with the provisions of this section.

### Section 90-221 Obstructions in streets and rights-of-way

No person, firm, or corporation shall obstruct, stop, or unduly interfere with the free flow of stormwater or surface water along, under, or over any public road, street, or rights-of-way, including the unsurfaced area of any rights-of-way or easement, in the city, except as provided by this chapter or other pertinent provisions of this Code, state laws, or city ordinances, rules, or regulations.

No person, firm, or corporation shall erect, construct, place, or maintain any speed bumps, ~~horses~~, ridges, depressions, fences, ~~gates~~, pipes, chains, bars, or any other type of structure or obstruction in, on, or across the paved portion of any public street, private street, or roadway fire apparatus access road within the city. See Sec. 98-7 – Traffic Calming Device in Streets for guidance on permissible traffic calming devices. ~~In addition, speed bumps shall be prohibited on any private street within the city.~~