

Comstock Neighborhood Council resolution 2019-5-15

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the residents of the Comstock neighborhood have had for many decades the desire to maintain High Drive, between the cross streets of 29th Avenue and Grand Boulevard (to the Rocket Market), as a road for smaller, slower moving, less commercial traffic due to its residential structure, scenic nature, and High Drive Bluff Park recreational access.

WHEREAS, this section of the parkway was and is considered a showpiece. Lane widths were reduced and pedestrian, bicycle, and auto friendly features were installed so as to hearken back to the original Olmsted Brothers report to the Parks Board in favor of its scenic designation.

WHEREAS, the residents of the Comstock neighborhood request and support to have the speed limit reduced from 30 MPH to 25 MPH on High Drive from the Rocket Market on Grand Boulevard to 10th and Cedar. The other neighborhood councils that would be impacted are also in agreement and have similar requests.

WHEREAS, the residents of the Comstock neighborhood further request and support to have the speed limit reduced to 20 MPH where the city of Spokane High Drive Bluff Park parallels High Drive. This is consistent with the Olmsted Brothers report to the Parks Board in favor of its scenic designation.

WHEREAS, the residents of the Comstock neighborhood have seen an increase in pedestrians, cyclist and people utilizing the benches along the High Drive Bluff park since the renovation of the parkway. Safety is the councils biggest concern and the vehicle traffic speeds excessively on the current roadway.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Comstock Neighborhood Council, authorized under the City of Spokane Charter Article VIII, Sections 71-76 (Effective Date: November 2000 Ordinance C32687 Section (1), that the City Council of the City of Spokane does hereby establish the speed limits outlined above reducing the speed limit to 25 MPH from the Rocket Market to 10th and Cedar and establish a 20 MPH zone along the High Drive Bluff city park.

ADOPTED by the Comstock Neighborhood Council at a regular meeting thereof, held this 15th day of May, 2019.

John Schram, Comstock Neighborhood Council Co-Chair

 5/15/19