



Department of Public Works

Indianapolis

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Street Change Policy Procedure

Residents and/or neighborhood associations desiring to request changes affecting their streets such as parking changes, travel direction, installation of speed humps, etc. should do so per the following steps:

1. Submit requested change, along with appropriate contact information, to the Mayor's Action Center (327-4622). This allows a tracking number to be assigned to the request and allows a tracking record through the next steps. DPW's traffic division will first determine if the requested location falls within City jurisdiction. This is necessary because often requests are made for changes on private streets, or streets that may be under the jurisdiction of an entity other than the City of Indianapolis.
2. Changes to parking, direction of travel, speed humps, etc. may require a petition signed by 75% of affected property owners to initiate a traffic study. This is to ensure support for installation from a majority of area residents. DPW staff will contact neighborhood representatives (if provided contact information) to discuss any additional requirements. DPW will work with the requestor to determine the affected residents as this varies based upon location. Please note that the completion of a petition does not necessarily mean the recommended change will be approved.
3. One signature per address is required.
4. Once the petition is in order and has been properly submitted, DPW will initiate a traffic study to determine if the requested change is warranted.

Speed Humps:

In regard to speed humps, a traffic study looks at both the evidence of cut through traffic, as well as the speeds of the vehicles that are travelling the affected roadway. There must be evidence of cut through traffic as well as an 85th Percentile speed of 35mph or greater. If both these two criteria are met, a favorable recommendation can be made. DPW will then work with the neighborhood to ensure proper placement of the humps. After which, DPW operations will install necessary pavement markings, signage and requested speed humps.

If for some reason speed humps are not recommended, the traffic division will be able to offer alternative options based upon the traffic study.

