

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: August 9, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Establishment of Speed Limits by Ordinance**

Recommendation:

Introduce **Ordinance No. 969**, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, to establish speed limits in the City of Lancaster based on the Engineering and Traffic Survey Report dated July 7, 2011.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

Sections 22357 and 22358 of the California Vehicle Code require that certain local speed limits be determined based upon engineering and traffic surveys, and that these speed limits shall be established by local ordinance.

In addition, Section 40801 of the California Vehicle Code requires that the engineering and traffic surveys be conducted within five (5), seven (7), or ten (10) years prior to the date of the alleged violation when enforcement of the speed limit involves the use of radar or any other electronic device that measures the speed of moving objects.

The attached ordinance will establish speed limits on eighteen (18) street segments within the City of Lancaster, based on the Engineering and Traffic Survey Report dated July 7, 2011. On nine (9) street segments, the survey was prompted by the need to keep existing speed zones current as required by Code. The other nine (9) segments are roadways where no speed limit has been legally established to-date.

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Attachments:

Ordinance No. 969