

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 20VISION ZERO IMPLEMENTATION - ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS

## **SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Toole Design Group, LLC in the Amount of \$248,852.00 for the Vision Zero Implementation: Establishing Speed Limits Project

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of a professional services agreement with Toole Design Group, LLC in the amount of \$248,852.00 for the Vision Zero Implementation: Establishing Speed Limits project (City Project No. 103248).

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## **DISCUSSION:**

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize execution of a professional services agreement with Toole Design Group, LLC to advance the Speed Limit Setting (SLS) Action Strategy. This strategy, which is one of the 34 actions prioritized in the Vision Zero Safety Action Plan (VZSAP), is critical for the achievement of the Vision Zero goals as speed is a leading contributing factor for fatal and serious injury crashes in Fort Worth. The SLS Action Strategy proposes an evaluation and update to the City's policy for setting posted speed limits on local roadways. For example, other factors that can be considered together with the 85th percentile speed include traffic volumes, road geometry, traffic control devices, multimodal access needs, and surrounding land use and development density.

The VZSAP and the Vision Zero Goal to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries in Fort Worth by 2050 were adopted via Resolution No. 6172-09-2025 (M&C 25-0935).

The VZSAP outlines various recommendations to support the City's goal:

- 34 safety action strategies that center on policies, programs, projects, and coordination
- Safety countermeasures along 10 Vision Zero High-Injury Network priority corridors
- Framework for traffic safety education
- Suite of systemic safety measures that can be deployed systemwide

There are two primary tasks to be accomplished as part of this project:

1. A Safe Speeds Policy and Methodology will be developed, including an update to City ordinance, creation of tools to guide speed-setting engineering studies, and a framework for phased implementation of speed limit changes; and
2. A Corridor Speed Management Toolkit, implementation strategies, and an evaluation framework to guide the City in applying effective speed management actions will also be created.

Funding is budgeted in the General Capital Projects Fund for the Transportation and Public Works Department for the purpose of funding the Vision Zero High-Injury Network Traffic Safety (VZHINTS) Countermeasure Implementation project, as appropriated.

This project will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Capital Projects Fund for the VZHINTS Countermeasure Imp project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Transportation and Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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