



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

99-435

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

SEPTEMBER 27, 1999

Section 27-285.01 requires the City Council to establish the times of operation for the "25 mph when Flashing" school speed limit signs. The attached resolution indicates the proposed hours of operation.

SUBJECT:

VARIABLE DISPLAY
(25 MPH WHEN
FLASHING) SCHOOL
SPEED LIMIT SIGN
PROGRAM

FISCAL IMPACT -

None.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

BACKGROUND -

SUBMITTED BY:

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The City established the school "25 mph when Flashing" signing program in 1989 in order to bring increased awareness to motorists as they approached school zones during student arrival and dismissal periods. The program consists of 96 locations at 41 elementary and middle schools where the adjacent through street speed limit is 25 miles per hour when these signs are flashing, but is a higher speed limit during the remaining times of the day.

In order to legally establish the operation of these "25 mph when Flashing" signs, Section 27-285.01 requires that City Council approve the times of operation for these school flasher installations.

A list of the locations and proposed hours of operation is attached. The Traffic Safety Committee reviewed and approved this item at their September 21, 1999, meeting.

Attachment

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