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To: All Clerk

Cc: Town Council; Traffic; 'Claudia Crassweller, Secretary'; 'Elliott Bennett-Guerrero'; Jay Kennihan, Member at Large; Joe Carsenaro, VP; Jon Jester, Treasurer; Karen Green, Chairman; 'Paula Adams, Member at Large'

Subject: Pinehurst Drive Speed Tables

Dear Mayor Foy and Members of the Town Council,

I am President of the Oaks II Homeowners Association and am submitting the following petition for consideration at the February 13, 2006 Town Council meeting.

The Oaks II residents and I wish to express our sincere gratitude to the Town Council for approving the traffic calming measure, which we think will improve the safety of children and others in our neighborhood. We would like to emphasize that we definitely want the speed tables that were recently approved, regardless of their appearance.

However, we are petitioning the Town Council to approve our obtaining the version of the speed tables called "Speed Table Proposed with Stamped Asphalt", which is described in Attachment 7 of the Traffic Calming plan that has already been approved, and is attached below. The approved resolution provided for an opportunity for us to petition the Town Council for the textured pavement: "... if Council wishes to consider the installation of textured pavement on speed tables, we recommend that neighborhoods pay for the extra installation costs and agree in writing that the Town would not be responsible for replacing the textured pavement if and when repairs or resurfacing of the speed table becomes necessary. Please see Attachment 7 for speed table design with textured pavement."

The justification for our petition is:

- 1) Our homeowners association has agreed to pay for the incremental costs of installation and ongoing maintenance of these tables. This should address the Town Manager's concern that "*Textured pavement would have extra maintenance and replacement costs to the Town over time*"
- 2) We need to emphasize that this has nothing to do with safety, and we are requesting the "Speed Table Proposed with Stamped Asphalt" because we prefer the way they look and the fact that these new tables would be consistent in color and appearance with the 3 speed tables that are already on Pinehurst Drive. Of note, this will not result in our neighborhood having "safer streets" compared to other neighborhoods. The Traffic Engineering Department has told us that the "Speed Table Proposed with Stamped Asphalt" is not "safer" and does not make the street "safer". So if you approve our paying for the textured pavement, you are not voting for one neighborhood to have safer streets than another.

We understand and appreciate the Town Manager's opinion but also feel that you should consider the positions of your constituents. We again thank you for approving the traffic calming measure and request that you support our petition.

Sincerely,
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To: Kumar Nepalli, Traffic Engineering Chapel Hill
Town Council of Chapel Hill

From: The SCHOA and Petitioners supporting Traffic Calming on SilverCreek Trail

Date: January 19, 2006

Topic: REPETITION for Brick Speed Humps

We want to thank the Town Council for approving our need for Traffic Calming on Silver Creek Trail. As the study found, 90% of the traffic is speeding in our residential area. This has been a concern for years and we are delighted that we have been able to have a solution agreed upon with your support.

Our subdivision is much like the Oaks of Chapel Hill. When the traffic calming was petitioned and then approved the residents/HOA believed that the Brick speed humps like those of the Oaks/Meadowmont were what was to be implemented. Kumar clarified that in fact asphalt was approved not what we thought we petitioned for.

We respectfully request that the city approve the decision for Brick Speed Humps for Traffic Calming. The Silver Creek petitioners and HOA continue our support of this solution. The petitioners have agreed to pay the difference in addition to the cost to the city.

Again, we thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

Michelle M. Kuplic
SCHOA, President