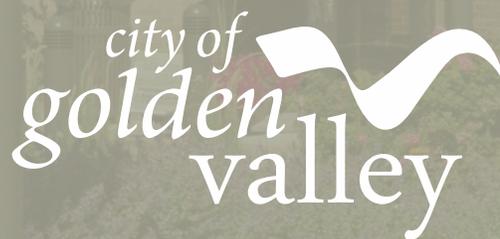


Residential Speed Limit Reduction COMMUNITY INPUT REPORT



Contents

Overview..... 2

Question 1.....3

Question 2.....3

Question 3.....13

Question 4.....14

Question 5.....14

Question 6.....15

Appendix A: Social Media Reach And Engagement.....22

Overview

Soliciting public input was a major component of the Golden Valley City Council's consideration of residential speed limit reduction.

Online Survey

Staff solicited input from the community through an online survey regarding the following areas:

- current speed limits
- potential changes to speed limits
- transportation methods by residents

To promote the survey, the City published multiple news stories on its website and a story in the Jan/Feb issue of CityNews. The City further promoted the survey through social media posts on Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor.

The survey was active from March 22, 2021–April 22, 2021, was limited to one response per IP address, and had 239 responses.

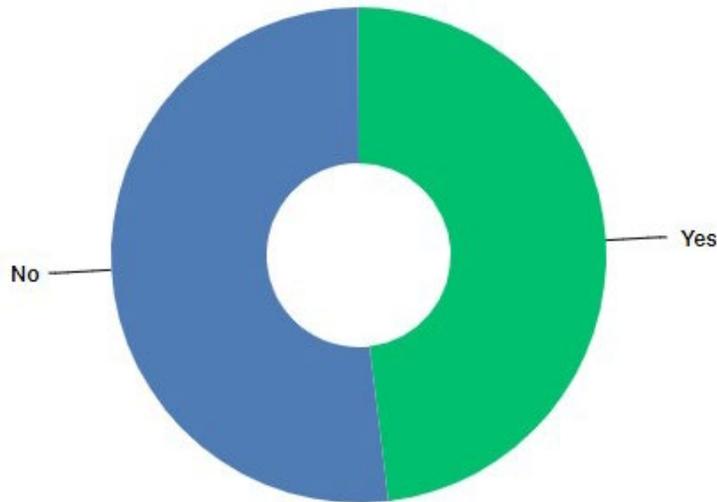
Social Media Outreach

The City posted information and reminders about the the survey 3 times on Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor between March 22 and April 14. See Appendix A for reach and engagement details for each post.

Survey

Would you like to see a speed limit reduction on residential streets (the street you may live on) in Golden Valley?

Of the 237 respondents, 123 (52 percent) would not like to see a speed limit reduction on residential streets in Golden Valley and 114 (48 percent) would.



Why do you feel this way?

This question was open-ended and gathered no statistical data.

Open-Ended Answers
As a resident for the last 8 years it is not something as a motorist and pedestrian that has been an issue at current speed limits. I also feel that reducing speed limits would open up potential for more traffic stops and potential targeting or profiling.
Cops are over-zealous enough without giving them extra incentive.
I'd like to see an increase.
People drive too slow already. If you are worried about safety - I saw a boomer driving the wrong way in a traffic circle. Follow up on that.
30 is slow enough.
We live in a neighborhood that has a lot of dog walkers and kids. And we are by a school. People tend to drive way over the speed limit
Unnecessary. Drivers are already using good judgment: mean speeds are already 25-30 mph and most drivers slow down when necessary.
People will continue to drive what they always do regardless of the speed limit.
We have many kids biking and walking in our neighborhood. In addition, we have many cars that are unfamiliar with our streets frequently driving them (due to the businesses in the area). There is a four way stop by our house that is consistently ignored, so if there's a lower speed limit, at least people would be driving slower(?). Lastly, there are speed limit differences in the busier roads, so the neighborhood sometimes just turns into an extension of those roads seemingly.
I live on Natchez Ave South, a street with no sidewalks and a significant hill....drivers speed on the 2 block stretch between Glenwood and Sunset Ridge - It's just plain dangerous to walk even along the curb because are often down (at their phone perhaps) thinking that they're safely on their own side of the road but not expecting that someone may be walking their dog there.

Same reason we don't want light posts, stop signs, and sidewalks everywhere. We have something good going here in Golden Valley. Is there a problem with people's driving speed? I haven't seen a problem. Traffic seems to regulate quite well already.
Current limit is dangerous on residential streets around pedestrians, bikes, kids and animals
I don't think it will help. The people who speed I don't think care what the speed limit is, they just go.
We live on a hilly, curvy road and see cars rev their engines up the hill by our house and then have to brake at the curve ahead. In the opposite direction, I see people come around the curve going too fast and swerve so they don't hit the curb. There are many pedestrians and bicyclists on our street and without sidewalks and 30 mph speeds, it doesn't always feel safe to walk or bike. Additionally, delivery drivers for ups, fedex and Amazon drive way too fast up and down our street
There doesn't seem to be a problem with speeding in our neighborhood
Slower speed equals Safety!
Pedestrian safety and quality of life should outweigh minuscule time savings associated with traveling quickly on residential streets
Speed limits are acceptable as is.
Current speed limit is not enforced that I have heard.
Is there a speeding problem now?
Most likely won't make a difference in behavior. Wasting time and money..
30 mph is too fast with children playing in neighborhoods and I frequently see drivers driving even faster than 30 mph. We walk our dog through our neighborhood where we need to cross streets near hills and curves and with cars driving at 30+ mph we need to be extremely cautious when crossing as we've seen many cars driving too fast and not paying attention. I don't feel safe enjoying my neighborhood as a pedestrian.
Inconsistent posted speeds, and some high speeds such as 35MPH (with drivers going 40) on Golden Valley Road, lead drivers to speed through residential neighborhoods.
Reduction not needed.
There are MANY children on our block and delivery trucks, garbage trucks all drive too fast. Also, the through streets between Robbinsdale and Mpls have many non- resident drivers that drive too fast. This has to be controlled.
Too many speeding cars and delivery vehicles
Safely to pedestrians and cyclists.
It's relaxing to cruise around at a lower speed to take in the city. Sometimes I feel pressured by impatient residents who tailgate me
Safer
Slower traffic would allow safer roads for children, bikers, and walkers using the streets.
The limits are generally ignored now. Lowering them won't accomplish anything. Only create more possibility for the GV police to issue a few more tickets. One more stupid decision by the council.
People need to slow down. I live by a park and am shocked how fast people drive even with kids and bikes everywhere. Hoping a lower speed limit would help.
We really only have one person who consistently exceeds the speed limit in our area and it is the weekday morning paper delivery person. Has a large SUV with flashing lights which almost makes it look like an emergency vehicle. Weekday mornings between 7-8:30.
Ped. safety.
Because surrounding communities are not lowering speed limits to 20 mph, resulting in people not realizing the speed change from one community to another is very confusing which will result in more tickets given. We already pay too much in taxes as it is.
traffic in residential neighborhoods needs to SLOW DOWN. We used to throw debris into the street to slow things down on my street!

I don't know what it would be. That was a vague question. What is the speed limit now/ What would it be?
Because 30 is perfect 25 feels too slow
I haven't noticed a problem with the current speeds.
Safety issue. People(some) probably have no idea of how fast they're going. We're on Glenwood Pkwy, bike/running trails right outside our front door, no sidewalks; Lots of kids accessing the paths. Can be a busy area, which is great, but throw in with cars travelling from Xerxes as it curves into GPkwy, speed picks up, issues at path crossing points (Zenith/Xerxes) 20 would be great here.
if the present limits are enforced it is fine. thoroughfares could be left at 30 and residential side streets could go to 25
No sidewalks-lots of bikes and walkers with pets. Reducing speed would lower risk of accidents.
20+ kids under 15 years old. Golden Oaks Park in here. Cars use Orkla Drive as a shortcut between Winnetka and Plymouth Ave.
I feel the current speed limit is adequate as long as people adhere to it. I don't think lowering will have any benefits as people will just abuse the lower limit more. I believe just enforcing the current speed limit would have a better benefit.
There are better things to focus on, like proper stop sign placement that can make the through streets more efficient to drive on and intersections more safe.
Too much regulation as it is, and between existing Yield and Stop signs, it is hard enough to achieve any speed anyway.
I have young children who play outside and ride bikes on our street.
We could lower the speed to 5 MPH and that way there might be NO traffic accidents -- but more likely people would have even less regard for the law. Don't make a law that will make speed limits a mockery.
This seems excessive for few speeding violations occurring. If current speeding laws were enforced on where complaints are coming in, problem solved ...instead of making blanket change, seems VERY unnecessary. Enforce current laws for speeding which have been around for decades and have SOLID data this change is warranted. as a result. The information for this change is NOT solid.
Enforcing current speed limits is sufficient.
I don't see any issue with the current speed limits. I don't believe that lowering them would improve safety in any way or change the speed of the natural flow of traffic.
30 is too fast in residential areas.
Many motorists on my street (which has a lot of houses with very young children) do not act like they are driving in a residential neighborhood. They treat it like a throughway.
I live on a residential street where neighbors are quite careful and drive cautiously, due to the many children and families who ride bikes and scooters and walk in the neighborhood. But it is outside vehicles--deliveries, garbage, etc. (or unaware teenage drivers!)-that too often race through the neighborhood. My main concern is the safety of children.
There is no reason to spend money putting new signs up. The problem with unsafe speed is NOT speed limits it is street design. Countless studies show people will go the speed that they feel comfortable going based on the design of the road. Spend the money implementing traffic calming strategies like planting more boulevard trees in the right-of-way. Just because Minneapolis does something doesn't mean it is a good idea.
The speed limits are already not enforced. When someone receives a ticket for speeding all too often they go to court to have the issue adjudicated and typically, unless it is a gross violation the violator walks away without any penalty. This takes up time for police and city resources (and court resources). Police then have learned that it is not useful to give a ticket, because it can be so easily overturned so most speeding goes unenforced. Please do not do this. Another complaint I have is that this can result in uneven enforcement of the law. People of color already complain that GV police harass them and the city is setting up another wedge issue between police and people of color.
Safety
Safety
I don't think any changes are needed in the area south of Glenwood. The map clearly shows that in the last 10 years there is only one accident due to speeding
i just don't see any reason the speed on residential roads needs to be as high as it is, at least roads with driveways on both sides of the street.
Because almost no one will drive at 20 mph. I have tried to drive at 25 in my neighborhood and it is hard to maintain. The car creeps over just going down hill. I would dare anyone saying they want it at 20 to drive that for more than a block. they want it

while they are walking but not when they are driving. You are constantly look down at the speedometer instead of what it in the road ahead. I believe 20 would be more dangerous.
Some people (and garbage haulers, delivery vans/trucks) drive way too fast, especially near parks. Studies show that the lower the speed limit, the fewer fatal accidents.
The service road for Wayzata Blid that circles the South Tyrol Hills neighborhood from West End to Bryn Mawr curves around residential streets creating many blind intersections. Although traffic frequency is currently modest, with increased construction in the area it is likely to pose a greater danger to pedestrians and drivers. The current speed limit in SLP/GV is actually higher than the MSP part of that same road which abutts fewer residential streets. It should be no higher than the MSP section and possibly lower.
Unnecessary and very easy to accidentally go over this limit resulting in frivolous tickets.
Slower limits doesn't mean less accidents. Speeders are most likely to cause accidents with or without a lower speed limit. It is slow enough already.
Safety. Consistency with the school that shares the road in our neighborhood
Makes our city safer.
Speed limits are already reasonable and well-enforced by GVPD. 20 miles-per-hour is so slow it could be a hazard on certain streets.
Residential area. Senior citizens walking. Kids running and dog walkers
Stop trying to be trendy and wasting my tax dollars. Changing the speed limit and spending money on putting up new signs and creating a campaign to get people to slow down is a waste of money and won't actually slow people down.
We live near Golden Valley Rd and cars drive way too fast on that road. Any decrease in speed limit will help! Please!
I live on a major back road artery and we don't have a problem with speeding. I have lived here for 18 plus years without any issues.
for the safety of children, especially since our streets were narrowed during the repaving the city did the past couple years
Most cars and trucks are driving way too fast for residential streets
It will lead to more traffic jam.
Safety for kids and pedestrians
People drive too fast
I have lived in Golden Valley for over 20 years. In my view the existing speed limits have worked well. Please leave the existing limits in place.
Should be almost painful to drive on residential streets. Would like to see higher fines for speeding and running/rolling stop signs on residential streets too.
I walk my dog on many neighborhood streets that do not have sidewalks. Although I try to stay aware of traffic, when care pass at high speeds I feel unsafe and worry about whether or not the driver sees me, or particularly worry about whether or not they see my dog - who may dart out. Especially when going over a hill, I feel particularly vulnerable that a fast car may not see us until they are very close.
We regularly use residential streets for walking the dog and biking. Safety is critical on these narrow roads with no sidewalks or bike lanes.
I believe it would be safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and children in our neighborhoods.
30mph feels too fast on residential streets where kids play. And far too often people have a tendency to drive a little over the speed limit whatever it may be. 55mph or 30mph or 20mph.
They are fine where the are at. We safe on the streets now.
Residential streets should support residential activities first.
I have seen so many drivers speed on my residential street (Indiana Ave) as well as on Golden Valley Road. It's not only dangerous, but incredibly disrespectful. I'd like to see people slowing down for humans as well as for wildlife.
30 MPH is too fast. People and delivery drivers are driving too fast in the neighborhoods.
If there is a real concern the focus should be enforcement and discussion over adding inanimate signs. A sign does not matter if nobody acknowledges it.

It is pointless to reduce the speed limits from what they are now. People will not follow a lower speed limit. The city could have 100 police trying to enforce a lower speed limit and that still wouldn't slow people down.
Address each street if necessary...
More safe for families and residents that live in areas that don't have sidewalks and I always see neighbors walking all hours of the day.
It doesn't matter what the speed limits are if you don't enforce them. Laws only seem to apply to the "law-abiding".
It is already 30. That is acceptable. I do not want my tax dollars spent on changing all the signs when I don't think it will make any difference. Distracted driving causes accidents. Changing the speed limit won't change that.
For as narrow as the new streets will be in my neighborhood (PMP) it would be so dangerous if a school bus met a garbage truck while someone is pushing a baby stroller.
Because 30, if followed, is reasonable.
First of all cars do not pay attention to speed or stop signs, which is cause for potential accident in neighborhoods. I believe we need to mitigate the accident potential and reducing residential speed limit is a good start.
The speed is low enough, I have never felt unsafe for myself or neighbors, including children.
We live on GV Road near fire station#3. Auto speeds on GV Rd are way to fast! most cars going between 40 and 50 mph. Then they slam on their brakes when the road curves at the Courage/Kinney Institute.
30 MPH is slow enough to have to drive
I just don't think its necessary
There is no benefit to reducing the speed limit. Most crashes aren't because of the speed. It's distractions.
Speeders will continue to speed
30 is good
Unnecessary. People exceed the 30 mph now and will certainly exceed 25mph. Save the money for new signs and upgrade parks instead.
Overwhelming majority of drivers are attentive and slow down when pedestrians are near. The select few that don't likely won't drive slower regardless of the posted limit. More enforcement of current limits would be more effective.
I live on Regent Avenue, where speeding is rampant - day or night. Stop signs are also frequently ignored. Pedestrians are safer because of the sidewalk, but not runners (who choose the pavement), or cyclists or those crossing the streets.
I live across from the nature preserve on a very short street that is used as a cut through for every school bus,ups truck, Amazon delivery vehicle, garbage truck and neighbors. I would appreciate it if they would all slow down. Why the rush? There are so many people walking and biking.
The existing speed limits are just fine the way they are.
It would likely reduce the severity of an accident.
30mph is an acceptable speed to travel on residential streets. Reducing speed is always an option under the right circumstances,but not all the time.
It is unnecessary.
Lowering the speed limit is pointless since people will ignore it.
I want my young children to be safe. Especially on Plymouth and Glendale, many drivers use these instead of Hwy55, and drive very fast.
I have had to put my hand up TWICE to keep a fast car from hitting me & my dog on a winter afternoon walk. We do not have street lights, our neighborhood has curves and blind spots that make it dangerous. Not only that but we have 20 children in our neighborhood, so many people put up signs to slow down, red cones & flags, children playing signs, etc. but those don't carry as much weight as a speed limit sign would. This has been a topic of discussion in our neighborhood OFTEN. Please do what's right and put up 20 mph speed limit signs in our neighborhood. Thanks!!
My 3 block neighborhood has 23 children between 3 mo and 12 yes. They play, ride bikes, and scooters in the streets.

Our Clover Addition neighborhood has no sidewalks with blind curves and hills. With over 20 children and so many dog walkers there is no place else but the street. Residents, delivery cars, trucks and garbage haulers are constantly flying through here. It simply is not safe at 30 miles an hour...Someone will get hurt!
I feel 30 mph is already slow enough in a residential neighborhood. A lower speed limit is not going to stop people from speeding. People who speed will speed regardless of the speed limit being 20, 25 or 30mph. Residential streets should be available for all people to drive on and feel that the desire to lower speed limit is not for safety but for less traffic.
There are a lot of dog walkers, kids, bicycles and just plain pedestrians on my street. The speed limit is not respected and there is also a blind spot going up the hill.
I live on Olympia for years and it seems that many cars drive by at high rates of speed, especially younger drivers. My neighbor does a great job looking out for our area and got in touch with the police last summer. They put a speed trailer in front of Hampshire park which slowed people down for a week, but then it was back to 40+ mph.
Show us statistics that there is a problem.
I live on Ridgeway Rd, which is a shortcut for a lot of commuters wanting to avoid the Glenwood/Hwy 55 stoplight. I view different speeds as a bigger problem. I was driving to Cub foods this winter, it was a dark, rainy night. I was traveling at 22 mph, the car that came up behind me was NOT HAPPY. I fear what my happen is more tailgaters. 30 MPH has worked for the last several decades, Now, I would like to mention the 40 MPH signs or the downward stretch going north on from Hwy. 55 on Douglas Dr. to the Golden Valley Rd. roundabout? Really, 40 MPG? That should be 30 MPG. Especially since it ends at a roundabout. North of the roundabout, Douglas is limited back to 35 mph.
As a former police officer this will not significantly change accident rates but will increase non compliance. The issue is inattention and 5 or 10 mph will not stop that.
Live on 23rd Ave No that intersects with Orkla. 23rd has a lot of traffic that feeds to it. Frequently will see cars speed by going 40 to 50 mph. Many people use 23rd for taking walks and at some point they'll be a bad crash, or pedestrian getting hit. I have experienced cars whizzing by when I mow the lawn or shovel snow and many times get too close as the pass.
the majority of our residential streets dont have sidewalks . walking on the street can sometimes feel uncomfortable when cars are going to fast
Speed kills
I have children and our neighborhood has no sidewalks. I feel that 30 miles per hour is a risk to the safety to my children.
There are no sidewalks in our area and many kids playing in yards and in the street.
Sidewalks are rare, so streets are often used for walking and biking. Slower speed limits, if observed and enforced, should lead to fewer accidents and near-misses.
There are no sidewalks and cars go by so fast. I wish we had sidewalks! I seriously fear my son going out in the street and being hit by a car and we live on a residential road.
The current speed limit seems to be working.
My street doesn't have sidewalks so it would be a lot safer for everyone walking on the street.
People drive too fast. I hope they put up signs to remind people. At least they may slow to 30.
30mph is pretty fast with how many children are playing in the street on my street.
Many drive too fast with many children in our neighborhood
A reduction in the residential speed limit reduces the likelihood and severity of vehicle collisions with pedestrians and cyclists. This is especially important since many residential streets in GV do not have sidewalks. A lower speed limit has a minimal impact on total travel time for motorists.
Children, dogs, people walking. 30 mile limit to fast when people are out
don't see the need, don't see current limits being violated; speeding tickets/month by police are minimal in number
need better data
People don't follow the 30 mph speed limit that is virtually unenforceable. How will 20 or 25 mph be any different?
Motorist drive too fast on Golden Valley street.
I have a good driving record and I've been a target of the prejudiced GVPD. They pulled me over 7x for no reason and never cause to issue a ticket. It's just one more reason to target BIPOC by making us all criminals if we drive even 30.

I feel that the current speed limit of 30 is acceptable. Drivers generally drive speeds which the conditions allow, regardless of speed limit. If speed limits are decreased, I don't think there will be a perceptible change in driver behavior. At the very least, main roads should not have their speed limits lowered.
I don't think it's necessary. I don't see it being enforced realistically, and know neighbors who think people are driving too fast will believe they're driving too fast at any speed, even if it's something absurd like 10mph.
People zoom by sometimes ignoring stop signs. There are kids and walkers nearby
There are no sidewalks, so street is shared with pedestrians, pets. A lower speed limit would be safer.
30 mph is completely reasonable and is not a threat to pedestrians
I feel the current speed limit is reasonable.
I have small children and get nervous when I see cars driving too fast on our street. It also may discourage cut through traffic, lessening the traffic in our neighborhood
Speed limit reduction is unnecessary on residential streets
Lowered speed limits detract from police officers' capacity to enforce existing ordinance. From a safety perspective, distracted driving (people looking at phones) is far more dangerous and police are already stretched too thin to adequately enforce existing speed limits. Lowering them won't reduce speed where signs aren't posted, and plausible deniability dictates that they would be subject to frequent challenge anyway. Lowered speed limits only serve to tie up police resources issuing citations to slow drivers (imagine a ticket for speeding...at 26 or 21 mph) and responding to challenges on a plausible deniability basis. These distractions take away from real traffic safety enforcement needed to combat distracted and/or dangerous driving.
It's not necessary. Streets are less busy. Cars are better able to stop if necessary. Slower speeds will increase driver inattention
I would rather see 30mph signs posted. I live on Olympia St and 30 is typically the minimum speed people drive. Police only go down Olympia a few times a month so there is no incentive to slow down.
30mph is slow enough.
We live on a low traffic street that has hills and curves, and 30 seems a reasonable speed.
I feel the residential speed limit needs to be reduced due to the number of residents vehicles and federal express and ups trucks absolutely flying down our street way over the speed limit.
Any slower would be too slow.
I live on Olympia St and not uncommon for cars to go 40+mph. Need a solution to fix this.
Laurel Ave is a race track.
Modern day vehicles have more than capable braking to stop a vehicle immediately going 30 mph. We shouldn't be reducing the speed limit because some people don't pay attention, we need to stop capitulating
30 mph is an acceptable speed limit on most residential streets. When unusual will circumstances present themselves, that is the time to think about reducing the speed limit to 25 or 20.
It seems that one of the reasons people want the speed limit reduced is so their children can play in the streets more safely (at least that seems to be what is happening on my street...for ex. basketball hoops have moved from driveways to the street). Streets are designed to move motor vehicles efficiently throughout a city and we pay taxes in order to keep them maintained to do so. With a huge increase in home deliveries this is more important than ever. It seems to me one problem - kids playing in the street, is the reasoning being used to create other problems for others using the street as it was designed instead of addressing the root cause of the problem which is kids playing in the street and not vehicles driving too fast. The reduction in speed limits in MPLS & St. Paul makes sines for those cities as the streets are narrower than in the suburbs and cars tend to be parked on both sides, making them even narrower. That tends not to be the case in Golden Valley. And if it is, it should be addressed on a case by case basis.
There isn't even a "slow park ahead" sign approaching Stockman. I live on Major and have seen cars start at 34th Ave n and must be going near 35-40 at times approaching the park. Young families have moved in and with the virus there is pedestrian activity constantly up and down Major Ave. All side streets have cars driving too fast for conditions(people present).
I suppose I have not seen any data to suggest the current 30 is a problem in any way.
It seems more appropriate on Residential streets to drive at a lesser speed. People crossing to speak with neighbors, residents that live on that block will have less road kill. It would feel safer when people drive pass you when walking, or kids playing in their yards. Most likely less where and tear on roads which results in less maintenance needed.

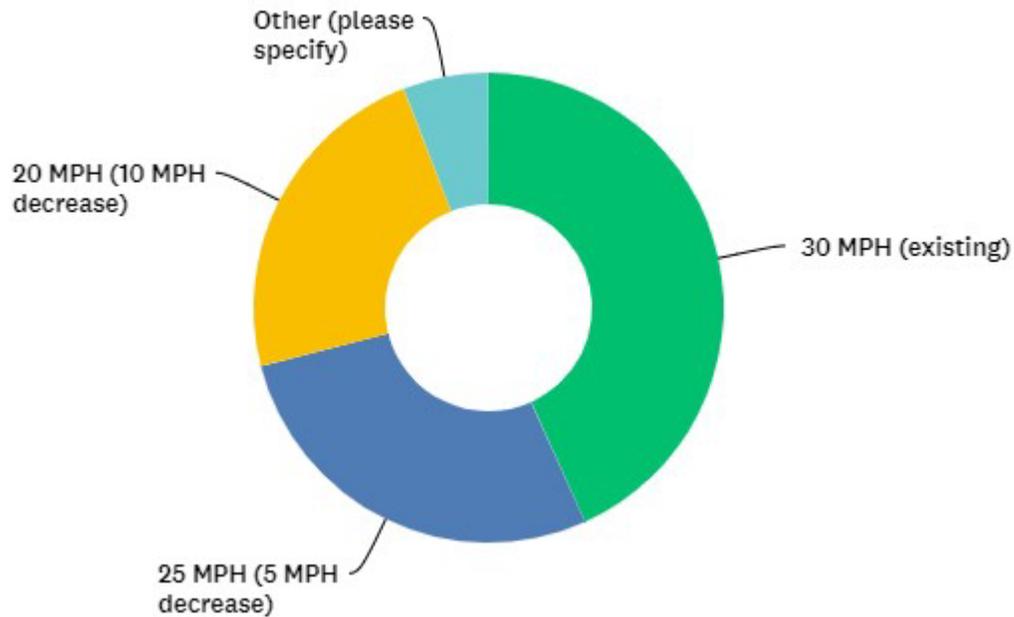
People come flying down the curving hill and don't see people walking at the bottom of the hill.
Too many children and dogs in the street at all times of day and night. No sidewalks in my neighborhood.
There are lots of people walking their dogs, and taking walks with their children. Most cars are respectful and slow down when passing, but there are some zooming by faster than speed limit.
Cars are driving waaaaay too fast. We don't have sidewalks in our neighborhood so everyone- kids, dogs, adults, elderly- uses the street. We see cars zipping along so fast it feels unsafe. And frankly, speed limits are too high here. I grew up in North Dakota where it was 25mph in a residential zone and I was shocked a liberal, progressive place like MN would basically let the autobahn run through neighborhoods.
There are lots of young kids in the neighborhood and too many mindless drivers.
Based on the stats you showed especially the one stating that 85% actually drive at the speed limit, I think that lowering the speed limit from 30 mph is a solution looking for a problem. I believe that most people still drive appropriately in terms of road conditions and presence of people, bikes, parked cars, etc. 25 mph is too slow.
I would like to see enforcement of the speed limits we now have, especially on Olympia street. Cars race through, do not stop for stop signs and never see anyone stopped
While I do see vehicles (usually construction and delivery vehicles) speeding on my street, most people drive at safe speeds. I say this as someone who walks and runs on Golden Valley streets every day. Just because a speed limit is higher doesn't mean that it creates a "sticky ceiling." Most drivers change how they drive based on the conditions of the road. Those who don't, aren't likely to care much about a change in the speed limit, especially if it's inadequately enforced. Moreover, if you make the speed limit too low, all you'll be doing is turning more drivers into violators of the law. People won't drive 20 mph on a road that is constructed for and safe to drive at a higher speed limit.
Cars do not obey posted speed limits the way they are. Speeds on average are 10 mph higher than posted limits. Enforcement is the key.
Too many people driving dangerously. Some do not even know the rules of the road (uncontrolled intersections). Tired of people tailgating and passing even though I am going the speed limit. High speeds are not safe when streets are used for walking especially now that streets have been narrowed.
If current speed limits can't be adequately enforced, how would it be possible to enforce lower limits? Unenforceable laws are worse than useless, they invite violations. Try enforcing 30mph first.
The speed limits are adequate and reducing the speed limit 5 mph below the speed limit standardized by the State will not significantly change driver's behavior, especially for drivers that do not reside in, or may not be familiar with the City.
For everyone safety
I don't feel that anyone drives above reasonable speed on my street or adjacent streets.
I live on Noble Avenue about a block away from Noble school. The speed limit is only 30 mph, but people are often doing 35-40. I would love to see the speed limit drop to 25. There is no need to go faster through a residential neighborhood.
This is a solution looking for a problem.
Safety. We have few sidewalks , but lots of walkers, bikers, playing children and dogs
I feel that 30mph is appropriate and that the change to 25 is a waste of time and resources.
Seems like what we have now works well.
I live on a street which has a hill and is straight. I see a lot of people who seem to be driving fast (and from my vantage point in my living room , many are on their cell phones, but that's another discussion). Also, there are no sidewalks so many people are walking in the street - another reason for cars to go slower.
Enforce the current speed limits and don't turn drivers like me into law breakers with a lower speed limit.
People are already driving under 30 mph and the data doesn't support speeds are a problem.
30 mph is plenty slow
Fewer deer hit
Much safer
Research provided by the city show that incidents involving speed are rare in Golden Valley, and studies on the safety impacts of lowering speed limits seem to be inconclusive. Based on the available facts it seems like this is a solution in search of a problem and the proposed solution doesn't appear to provide any measurable safety benefit.

Its not needed
Many young children play outside.
A reduced speed limit will have no impact on how people drive and will confuse drivers who are used to 30 mph in town in the rest of the state. It is a waste of money to change every speed limit sign and add more throughout the city.
There is a very low number of crashes due to speed. I haven't seen evidence for lowering the speed from the information provided, plus it is more problematic for enforcement.
My neighborhood is busy with walkers, bikers, children, etc. The decreased speed limit combined with the plan to narrow streets in my neighborhood would make it safer for pedestrians.
I have lived on Bassett Creek Dr., opposite Mary Hills, for over 25 years and I have watched cars exceeding the city speed limit DAILY. With new families and children moving into the neighborhood it is imperative that new regulations be instituted now or our negligence may lead to consequences we so desperately want to avoid.
Above 25 is way too fast for residential streets.
A lower speed will not be as beneficial as advertised
The case has not been made for changing it.
Safety. There are many people walking with their family, walking pets, biking, etc. on the residential roads in my neighborhood. Since there aren't sidewalks folks are forced onto the road where vehicles are driving above the 30 mph speed limit. Would like to see it reduced and enforced for residential roads.
On my specific street, the problem isn't the posted speed limit, it's the lack of enforcement of vehicle laws, including the speed limit. Just changing a sign won't increase safety or comfort.
Oftentimes cars go whizzing by and I watch my grandchildren. We are on a curve and if people are driving distracted can easily veer off the street. We had a FedEx truck run into a parked car in the last six months when there was no snow.
5mph won't do much
Speed limits are fine as they are...if there are trouble spots, post a reduced speed there, but I haven't noticed the streets littered with destroyed vehicles. Our neighbors have small children who play in the street (supervised) & cars are uniformly cautious and courteous. Don't make a problem where none exists.
In the Lions Park neighborhood, there are a lot of children who bike, scoot, skate, blade and more on a daily basis. Cars zoom down Western all the time. It would be great to see speeds reduced and a designated bike lane established (painted) on Western and Ridgeway.
Cars in our neighborhood drive way too fast. I walk my dog daily with my two kids and many cars never even slow down when they go past us. Since we do not have sidewalks it's even more important for cars to drive slower.
City streets are extra wide to accommodate pedestrian traffic.
No sidewalks. Curves in road, trees.
I feel the current 30 mph speed is appropriate
Duh. !! Look around....
There is no need to lower the speed limit. The current speed limit is just fine.
Live next to Golden Oaks Park, at least 25 kids live within 3 blocks of our home.
People drive too fast. I guess if 30 isn't enforced, why would 25?
If the street has houses, it should be 20mph for safety, because people will go 7mph over.
I like to walk on my neighborhood streets and would feel safer with a lower speed limit.
safety
s
The current limit is 30 mph and it has worked fine for the 25 years we have lived here. Reducing it to 25 mph or less would not eliminate accidents nor incidents that have never occurred.
Doesn't seem necessary for my street
This is a very curvy street and there is brush and foliage in the summer to obscure vision and in the winter there are trees that block the sun coming from the south and so there is always ice on the street. Additionally, there are now many young families with kids learning to ride their bicycles and tricycles in the street and with the pandemic there are many who walk around the

<p>block (almost 1 mile) in groups and with dogs. No sidewalks. All that I am asking is for the speed limited to be posted as 20 mph. It is not a through street and there are no commercial enterprises on the street. There is no excuse for the frequent speeders to drive that fast. I have lived here for 50 years and have seen this for that entire period of time.</p>
<p>There are no sidewalks, and so many young kids and people walking dogs have to walk in the street. Cars going 30 miles per hour or more are a concern. More times than should have happen, I've had to yank my dogs on someone's yard to escape a car traveling at an unsafe speed - even in winter when the street is even more narrowed and/or icy.</p>
<p>I live here and it's safe the way it is!</p>
<p>I haven't seen or experienced any issues overall with traffic going too fast when I'm driving in Golden Valley. Going too slow takes longer -- could this cause more pollution?</p>
<p>Even at 30 mph., it would be difficult to stop for a pedestrian, especially a child who darts into the street. Since our streets about to be narrowed, there would be even less space to avoid contact.</p>
<p>I run almost every day and partly on GV streets for many years and drivers are almost always courteous and I have never felt threatened by anybody driving too fast.</p>
<p>We can't even control the speed limits that are already set. Why bother? The issue isn't the speed limit; the issue is the enforcement.</p>
<p>Cops are already overly aggressive.</p>
<p>Your study shows that the speed limits are already adequate for our city streets. The study showed a majority of people feel comfortable driving 27 miles per hour when the limit is 30 miles per hour. Reducing the limit to 20 will result in more speed violations as it is lower than what people are comfortable driving. The information you presented shows that right of way issues are a bigger problem and the city should invest more in traffic control signage rather than speed limit reductions. Over the 9 year study you presented, only around 15 incidents were related to speed, while around 220 were related to failure to yield right of way. You have also not stated any plans for increased enforcement of speed limits. I feel this will be another city ordinance that the city has no hope of enforcing, similar to the winter parking restrictions currently in place.</p>
<p>Enforce the laws already on the books; don't create new ones. If the existing 30mph isn't enforced/monitored, what makes anyone think decreasing to 25mph will be enforced/monitored. People do what's inspected, not expected. The enormous amount of time and money being spent on this issue is ridiculous. Somebody has way too much time on their hands. I would like my hard earned tax \$\$\$ spent on needs and not wants; this is how I run my household. I feel my city simply cannot afford to spend any more time and \$\$\$ on this issue.</p>
<p>Its unneeded.</p>
<p>Not needed</p>
<p>It is inline with other municipalities in the area and throughout the Twin Cities. I find this to be a blanked solution that causes far more harm than good. Why not address some of the problem streets with extra police enforcement and ticketing, rather than a one size fits all solution.</p>
<p>It's not excessive as it is</p>

How low of a speed limit do you feel comfortable with on residential streets in Golden Valley?

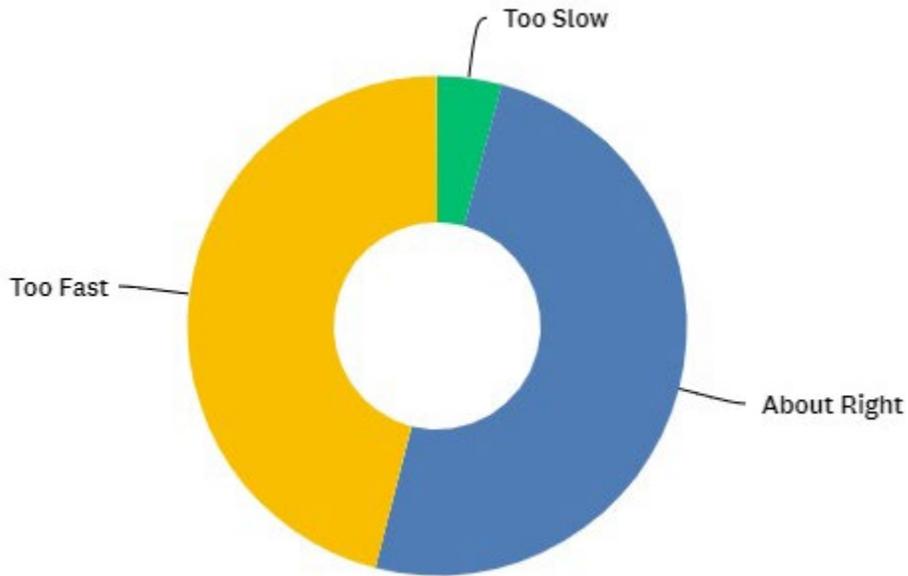
Of the 238 respondents who answered this question, 103 (43 percent) feel comfortable with a speed limit of 30 MPH on residential streets, 66 (28 percent) feel comfortable with 25 MPH, 55 (23 percent) feel comfortable with 20 MPH, and 14 (6 percent) answered *Other*. See answers below.



Other Answers	
40	
35 MPH	
35 MPH as that is what folks are driving now.	
see above response	
20 mph in residential neighborhoods, 25 mph at arteries that cross residential neighborhoods.	
10 mph	
I think 25 on side streets is ok, but no on on main routes like Noble, Winnetka, Douglas, etc.	
Tricky question. I am comfortable with any, I just think the law should be 30.	
35 MPH	
Not all streets are the same. Definitely 26 or 30.	
30 on wider residential streets, 25 on narrower streets	
Comfortable with either 20 or 25 mph.	
35	
35	

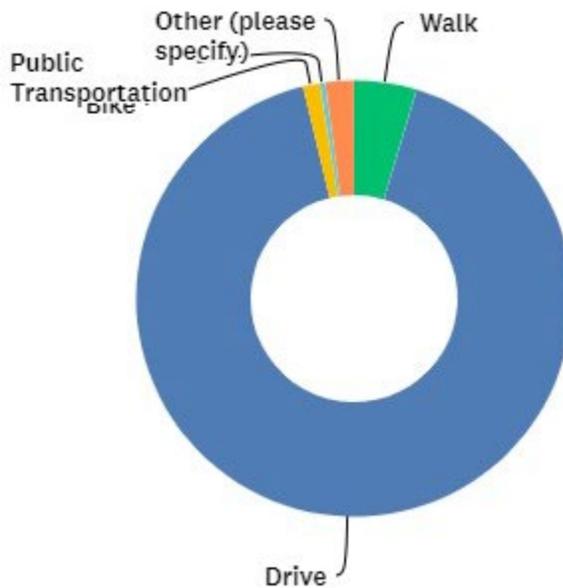
Do you think vehicle speeds in your neighborhood are too slow, about right, or too fast?

Of the 239 respondents who answered this question, 119 (50 percent) think vehicle speeds in their neighborhoods are about right, 110 (46 percent) think they are too fast, and 10 (4 percent) think they are too slow.



What is your main mode of transportation?

Of the 238 respondents who answered this question, 218 (92 percent) drive as their main mode of transportation, 11 (5 percent) walk, 3 (1 percent) bike, 1 (0.5 percent) use public transportation, and 5 (2 percent) answered *Other*.



Other Answers

mixed bike and drive.

A lot of driving, but we walk or bike our kids to school, neighborhood is active with kids biking and playing in the street, etc.

I drive and ride bicycle.
I walk in the neighborhood, I drive for errands
With covid, more biking and walking. Eventually, we will drive more, but still would love to make the neighborhood more walkable and friendly to families.

If you have other comments, please submit them in the box below.

This question was open ended and gathered no statistical data.

Open-Ended Answers
With current police reform seeking to limit harassment and unnecessary interactions/traffic stops with officers and motorists reducing the speed limit to a level significantly below the natural flow of traffic seems counter to this movement. With no proven safety benefit from lowering speed limits it seems completely unnecessary and a step in the wrong direction.
I heard one of your cops emailed the entire city government to say that police violence (i.e. murder) is reasonable when people are "noncompliance" you have bigger safety issues from your cops than you do from the current speed limit.
I'm worried that more traffic stops will mean more lives lost to police violence.
No
Stop with this.
I am also a frequent pedestrian and bicyclist. I do not believe this will make it safer for walkers and bikers. Only 3% of accidents involved a pedestrian/bicycle. This is over-reaction. Aren't there better uses for city dollars than new signage, education and meetings?
The speed limit on Laurel should be at least 35-40. The road is wide enough and there is a sidewalk offering safe pedestrian use well away from traffic. A traffic study with should be conducted and the speed adjusted to the mean traffic speed to confirm the appropriate speed for that road. 30 is too slow. Traffic generally goes about 40-45 on that road regardless of the posted speed limit.
The police department has been so helpful during this very busy time for them we really appreciate their attention to speeding/stop sign adherence as I know it isn't a big priority for them, but it makes our neighborhood feel much safer when people are driving slower.
Looks like most of the cost for lowering the speed limit would go to signage in our front yards. Plus more speeding tickets for residents. Doesn't sound like a good deal.
Also what are the costs to change, like changing the signs.
We had a speed survey done about 10 years ago near our house, 16XX Zealand Ave N, and it was found most cars went 30 mph; however, when traveling north on Zealand near our house there is a blind hill with a stop sign at the bottom of the hill that gets run through frequently and is slick in the winter. People need to slow down.
We live on Sumter Ave N and there are many children on our block. We are constantly yelling at and waving down speeders on the street. One of these days, there is going to a very tragic and very preventable accident. Lower the limit.
And add stop signs - one at Duluth and Sumter would be smart.
Na
I think the city council is looking for a problem that doesn't exist.
I think more roundabouts would control speeds in many neighborhoods. Even if you lower the speed limit nobody's going to follow it unless someone there to enforce it.
A roundabout on GV road but the fire station would slow traffic down on GV road.
Roundabout on GV road and Noble would slow traffic.
A roundabout by Meadowbrook would slow traffic there as well.

I would like to see more police enforcement
I grew up in Wisconsin where the speed limit on city streets was 25. I felt safer walking and biking while living there.
Cool idea, I support it. This action should be counterbalanced by removing several unnecessary stop signs. Example: westbrook and vale crest (westbrook should flow, valecrest should yeild); GV road and Lilac Dr N (remove all three stop signs and install a yeild sign on lilac dr n); GV road and st croix ave n (remove all stop signs and install a yield sign on st croix). Those are the main three that I have issues with. Thanks for reading this and putting out the survey. Good city governing!
Thank you counsel members for your time and attention in making Golden Valley a great place to live.
This council should pay more attention to the residence
If nothing else, please enforce current speed limits!
Current speed limit in my neighborhood is fine, but plenty of people fly thru like there is no limit.
Thanks for seeking public input.
The city of Mpls. has lowered it speed limits to 25 mph. Lowering G. Valleys speed limit to lower than that will cause confusion & more tickets. Many of the surrounding communities are not doing this so when one is driving from one to another, not knowing when you are crossing the boundaries will cause more problems. If you are going to reduce speeds at least be consistent with Mpls.
make sure to communicate this doesn't impact ALL streets!
Trucks especially don't go the speed limit.
Only thing I think is necessary is adding either stop or yield signs at uncontrolled intersections that currently have no signs for either direction. People already use them like they are yeild why not add a sign for added safety and less confusion
i do alot of walking on residential streets facing traffic and staying aware. i feel very safe at present speed. Those who do go over the speed limit in the city should be tagged!
Major roads roads should stay at 30 - GV Road, Noble, Duluth,
More work should be done to correct stop sign placement. Remove in many places or adjust to improve efficiency of traffic. Some blind intersections are not a stop, but the other direction is, which doesn't make sense.
Best improvements to me is to have more efficient through streets so less cars are stopping and accelerating.
Don't do this. People pulled over for speeding will perceive the enforcing officers as looking for any excuse to stop them. (Consider the race implications.) Our cops don't need this burden either.
This decision seems to already have been made...lower to 25 mph -without true door-to-door input from residents living in Golden Valley. A ballot yes or no should be distributed just like the newsletter is..drop off at city hall, that's getting input from the community where many think this is being 'slid in' without proper community input.
Over the last year that I have been working from home I frequently walk through my neighborhood as a way to get out of the house and in the several hundred miles I have accumulated not once have I encountered a situation where I felt that a vehicle was driving too fast or in a dangerous way.
I bike, drive, walk and roller blade. Speeds are not a problem on most city streets. Street speed is not a blanket problem, so don't implement a blanket solution. If an area is unsafe put traffic calming measures in. Putting up new signs is not an effective traffic calming strategy. Plant more trees or narrow streets or put in market crosswalks and roundabouts. Be better than St. Louis Park and don't blindly follow MPLS because it is trendy.
Please do not do this. It makes no sense. People should drive on every street as if it was the street that they lived. Drive as you wish others to drive in front of your home.
Please consider increasing the speed limit on Laurel Ave west of Xenia to 35 mph. There are no single family homes on this long stretch (over a mile) except for the most western area which ends in a stop sign that will naturally cause people to slow down
i also don't know that it'll make any difference. i'm not sure anyone really worries about the speed limit on residential (some already go slower, and some will always go faster)
Please don't lower the speed limits. 20 and 25 mph are too low. We're in a city not a rural town.
Also I have seen an increase of people not stopping for school busses when the stop arm is out and lights flashing. Another topic for another time, but just know it is a concern. Thank you.

I suggest Residential 25MPH.
Main Roads 35MPH, Highways 60MPH
Move on, refocus. Get a grip on reality.
Thank you for looking into this! Hope you can lower the speed limit to 20 across all of Golden Valley and especially on Golden Valley Road!
It is a waste of the Golden Valley budget and police time. It won't raise more dollars for the city as the police would need to enforce the new speed limit. Which would pull them away from more serious crimes and city outreach. Which are more important to the long-term health of the city.
Speeds on Plymouth Ave are ridiculous, I don't think anyone drives 30mph, most are going 40-50mph but it's tough to enforce on every street. There's a speed monitor on Gettysburg Ave and I consistently see people going 40mph, the flashing numbers do nothing to slow them down. Thank you!
Our street (Vale Crest) has many blind curves with heavily slanted driveways creating a dangerous atmosphere for children at a 30mph limit
I don't see why local speed limits are an issue.
I truly don't see why we wouldn't reduce the speed limit to 20 MPH. It may increase someone's travel time by a minute or two - at most - before they exit the neighborhood where speed limits would be the same. That is such a minor trade-off for increased safety and improving walkers' comfort on their own neighborhood roads. Thank you for your consideration!
I understand that Winnetka is not covered under this survey, but we do need some added enforcement of the current speed limit on primary arterial roads. Excessive speeding is a very frequent occurrence with not enough enforcement.
We have lots of people run the stop signs at the underpass on Lilac and 100 by the railroad tracks. It would be great to try to address that, as well. I'm afraid that a cyclist or walker is going to get plowed.
We love living here and feel safe even on a 35 mph road.
Focus on reinforcing speed zones around schools. In the Kare XI neighborhood alerts around sharp and blind corners would serve a better purpose.
Let's enforce the speed limits we have. Let's enforce the rules about fully stopping at stop signs! We have a three way stop at our corner and I could make the city hundreds of dollars a day if I could write tickets.
They raised the speed limit on highway 100 and 394 to 60. Now we want to decrease the speed limit after coming off the highways. Do are Police Officers have better things to do than enforce a lower speed limit? Address as necessary, not overall!!
I live on Rhode Island Ave N and the street itself is not that long (cut off due to layout of homes) and going 30mph is not necessary.
This seems like a waste of tax money that could be better spent on improving parks and recreational facilities. Distracted drivers will be distracted drivers no matter what the speed limit. They won't follow the new limit. You aren't helping anything by changing the limit. Put more law enforcement out to enforce the current limit if you want to cut down on speeding.
N/A
You need to make a left turn lane at Bassett Creek Dr. and GV Rd. Currently traffic has no where to go to avoid rear-ending left turners.
Lowering the speed limit creates a problem that we don't have. If people are speeding, have law enforcement crack down on those not obeying the law.
I support lower speed limits, but (alas), I fear they will be ignored like the current one is ignored on our street. Nonetheless, it needs to be done. Thank You!
Peoe don't go the speed limit. If you want them to drive 25 mph change it to 20 mph.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The lowering of speed limits issue came up primarily because of one certain City Council member who has young kids that play on the streets by her house and wants the speed limits lowered just to please her desires. Kids should not play on the streets... Period!!! 2. Don't you even think about lowering the 30 mph existing speed limit on Laurel Avenue between Xenia and Winnetka Avenues, as some liberal fanatics would desire.

<p>3. Don't put a bike lane on the Laurel Avenue street since it would create a congestive safety hazard; considering the adjacent light industries and their associated freight supply/delivery movements. Instead, consider putting a SEPARATE bike lane parallel to the existing walking path along Courtlawn and East/West Ring Ponds; but don't combine them because Senior walkers cannot get out of the way fast enough for the bikers who would zoom by too quickly/quietly for walkers to get out of the way.</p> <p>4. Don't be biased by the small factions of [young] vocal liberals who do not represent us Silent Majority folks who have a lot more knowledgeable experience and wisdom.</p> <p>5. Thanks for asking for our opinion! :-)</p>
<p>We live at the crossroads of Zephyr Place and Golden Valley Road. Drivers of motorized vehicles routinely speed past our house while driving on Golden Valley Road, sometimes at speeds over 80 Mph. Since Minneapolis is so close, drivers only have to cross quickly into or out of Minneapolis to avoid the Golden Valley Police. Setting up camera systems to monitor speeding would be a good idea. Drivers could be automatically ticketed if they drive in between camera checkpoints too quickly. This system would generate income for the city in terms of fines and let the Police focus on higher priority issues.</p>
<p>I would prefer the speed limit remain at 30mph.</p>
<p>I think the real problems are:</p> <p>(1) Delivery drivers, FedEx, Amazon, etc. drive ridiculously fast, even on small cull-de-sac streets. It's just a matter of time before they hit a child at high speed. Maybe signage specific to delivery drivers to slow down? Or informing their companies that speed limits will be enforced and residents are upset?</p> <p>(2) A speed limit of 30 (current) is actually fine, but people don't obey. We need enforcement. Even more "your-current-speed-is" signs would help. To remind people they are way over the speed limit.</p>
<p>No omments</p>
<p>Some areas might warrant a 20mph speed. Either way, there needs to be good signage. Even if residents KNOW the max limit in residential areas, there are many non residents that cut through residential streets for their convenience and don't watch for kids, bikes and such.</p>
<p>More posted speed signs, and police patrols would be very helpful. Our police are wonderful and I know they are busy, but maybe this could be a special duty or something like that?</p>
<p>Resign.</p>
<p>Every so often, I will see in the news, the city of Golden Valley wanting to narrow existing streets and limit parking. Every time, the neighbors are opposed. I believe the original engineers were correct in street widths. They worked. Why is the city trying to reinvent the wheel? I was told it was to save on snow-plowing. But, with climate change I believe the city is going to need that extra road width just to stack the snow. I already have to dig out the road in front of my mailbox for the UPS after the snowplows goes through.</p>
<p>Have lived here over 30 years and has been this way. Over the past 3 years pedestrian traffic has significantly in created due to the new apartments and condos built recently. Many of them seem to use 23rd as their walkway since the appartments have little to offer for paths. The buildings I refer to are on Winnetka by Walgreens and behind them.</p>
<p>None</p>
<p>Speed limits need to be observed by drivers and enforced by police. Radar speed limit signs that show actual speed vs. the speed limit seem to be very effective and should be more common (understand they are expensive and cannot be universal). Also, the speed limit signs need to be visible.</p> <p>I live in the stretch of Duluth St west of Winnetka and we have no speed limit sign in either direction.</p>
<p>Please put up signs in our neighborhood...Byrd Ave N. I feel like we are forgotten about in this little nook of Golden Valley.</p>
<p>If you change the limit ENFORCE it.</p>
<p>We need speed limit signs in our area. Cloverleaf Drive and Woodstock.</p>
<p>There isn't a speed limit anywhere in the Twin Cities; residential or highway that is universally adhered to by the populace.</p>
<p>Some speed limits should be raised!</p>
<p>I think it would be a mistake to lower speed limits on anything but non collector/ non arterial residential streets.</p>

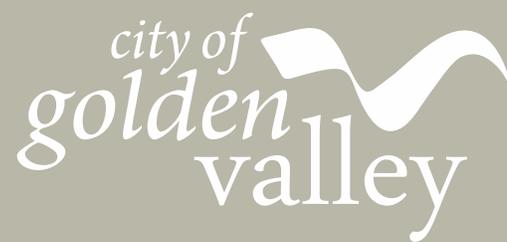
The only person complaining in our neighborhood is one aggressively grumpy older neighbor who complains about everything, and there's no pleasing her. I've only noticed one car in recent memory driving what appeared to be dangerously fast, and nothing was done about that anyway. I don't think our current system is broken and don't see a convincing reason to spend money to 'fix' it, especially not with budget shortfalls, etc. If we also keep letting developers out for fast cash convince our city council to increase density and give them more neighborhood destroying opportunities to price community members out of our neighborhoods, traffic will just keep getting worse and slower speed limits will just exacerbate an already growing problem.
NA
Don't turn us into Wisconsin for God's sake
I would actually prefer that the speed limit on Plymouth Ave be increased.
People tend to speed on Golden Valley Rd specifically and they should not, but normal residential streets do not have this same problem.
This will increase traffic and danger to pedestrians. Please do not do this.
I think 30 mph signs would be great! I don't think people know what the speed is supposed to be
Why is the speed limit on Glenwood Ave 35mph and Laurel is 30mph? I see the police drive down Jersey/Glenwood 60mph, then set speed traps on Laurel ave where nobody lives. Laurel should be 35mph and Glenwood 30mph.
Unless there's a problem that requires fixing, it seems reasonable not to make changes.
My only concern is that is the speed limit change actually going to be enforced ? To me it seems like very few of the ordinances in Golden Valley are actually enforced. Why go through the process of setting up ordinances if they are not going to be enforced. For just one ordinance of on street parking during the winter months in which there were cars throughout the city every night and morning parked on the street covered with snow with no tickets and plows were having to navigate the streets plowing around the cars to remove the snow.. also I am certainly for the leash law , how doubt that it will be enforced. Sorry for the negativity , however this is what I am seeing happen all the time.
If enforced, 30 is fine. Again, cars go 50 on Laurel.
New signs are very expensive. Why should the citizens be forced to pay for this when 30 mph is perfectly acceptable.
Without purchasing all new speed limit signs, how would people from out of town know of the reduced speed limit? This seems to be just a different form of a speed trap.
I bought this home 3343 Major from my folks who bought it in 1957. I am not a new mover inner. I have seen no improvement in vehicle speed, actually it has gotten worse over the years!
N/A
Too much wild life being taken out by aggressive speeders down Duluth between hwy 100 and to about Spring Valley Road where it goes into a 1 lane. Could really use some speed control patrolling in that 5block area. People Running the four way 🚗.
I'd prefer a lower speed rate to the ridiculous rule about no overnight on-street parking in the winter!!!!
30mph is fine where sidewalks and regular stop/yield signs exist. If neither are there, then 20mph should be the limit. Seems like most people are cautious but would be nice if it were regulated
I said 20 mph but 25 mph would be a compromise I could live with. I'd also support other mechanisms to slow traffic in residential areas- speed bumps. Islands in the roads, narrow the roads- whatever it takes to keep people safe.
It's about time we address this common sense issue.
I believe that enforcement already may be an issue when people drive too fast, but given the current Twin Cities climate (crime stats), I believe that enforcement of lower speed limits wouldn't happen so what's the point? Again,
I can use my brain to determine what's appropriate for the conditions. I slow down when I see cars, people, animals, and when the road conditions are bad. Please stop being such a nanny state regarding issues such as lowering the residential street speed limits. Focus on things like DUI's, texting/talking on phone while driving, and dealing with only those streets where problems have already been identified.
Enforcement is the name of the game. Let's enforce the current regulations, we need some teeth behind our current rules. Rules are just for eye dressing, nobody pays attention to them.

Please don't change the speed limit just to change it. I could see a decrease to 25 mph for residential neighborhood streets at the very lowest, but otherwise you'll just be transforming most drivers into violators of the law, with no counterweighing benefits.
We need our police department to better enforce speed limits. Over the past year cars have been blatantly disregarding speeds on all Golden Valley roads. We need strict enforcement to crack down on this. Without proper enforcement and penalties no change in the law will matter. It will not impact behavior.
Plymouth avenue between 169 and Winnetka is a main concern. I drive the speed limit. Too often I have been passed, tailgated and harassed. Not sure that dropping the speed limit will help. I also walk and the crosswalk over Plymouth from Wesley park is routinely ignored by cars. The other thing is the stree has bicycles and cars traveling 40 to 45 mph makes thing particularly dangerous.
Our residential streets aren't uniformly wide. Wider streets should remain at 30mph.
Current speed limits reflect MN Statutes and limits. They are adequate and do not need to be micromanaged by the City.
I would like attention to be paid to Duluth st and Douglas dr. I drive daily to work and daily dodge cars who turn right when I have the right of way and am already in the intersection. Right turn on red is not an optional stop as far as I know. It means stop, look for oncoming traffic who do have the right of way, and THEN turn right when it is safe. It does not mean playing chicken with traffic who do have the right of way.
Again, this is a solution looking for a problem. The number of pedestrians killed or injured is minimal when related to other types of traffic problems. The slower speed limit should be a result of pedestrian problems.
I live on Olympia. People often speed.
I briefed the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington, D.C. on issues of safety and speed in August of 2000. Mark Rask, 4812 33rd Ave., N. G.V., 612-396-6069
We walk a lot on local roads and don't see many speeders. We feel safe walking and police wouldn't catch the couple people we do see speeding.
No reason to speed on residential streets. Pets and wildlife need a brake
By any objective measure this proposal seems like a total waste of our elected officials time and our taxpayer money.
There is no need to change the speed limit.
Delivery drivers are sometimes going the fastest.
Consider looking at speed limit on Glenwood as well. It's 35 in some places meaning people go 40+. Seems dangerous with how it winds, especially with the bike lane, foot traffic and lack of cross walks . Thanks!
No speed limits make a difference if they aren't enforced. I rarely see speeders being stopped or ticketed.
just more government waste.
I'd like to see bike lanes established on Western and Ridgeway because there are so many children biking, blading and scooting on those roads. The sidewalk on Western works sometimes, but walkers tend not to like bikers sharing the pathway. I'd like to see crosswalks painted over to make them more visible to vehicles. Cars fly down Western, so it would be nice to see more signs posted with the speed limit, ideally slower than what it is currently.
It will be important to enforce the new limits as well. Would love to see a solar powered speed limit sign along Noble Ave- or multiple. Slow signs or park notification signs near all parks would be great as well - Stockman Park has no such signage. Education around proper speed on residential streets would also be useful. Thank you for considering this - we've lived here for over 15 years and the "driving too fast" problems in our neighborhood have only increased.
Much bigger city issues to worry about than a bunch of complaints from residents who have nothing else to do in their home but look out the window and complain as Covid has everyone home and bored.
When the limit is 30, people are comfortable going 35+. This includes delivery trucks, garbage trucks, and school buses, all of which can be found driving at unsafe speeds in our neighborhoods.
To lower the speed limit 5MPH is useless. No one will actually drive 5MPH slower and if you think they will, you are kidding yourself. If you are concerned about bikers, then you should put in rules for them. They do not follow the rules they should be and think they own the road.
I'd like to see it reduced but what we have now isn't enforced.
Lowering the limit to 20 MPH would help keep drivers under 30. Speeding is much more prevalent to day than ever before. Todays cars can go faster so people seem to drive faster.

Adjust the speed limit how people cheat their speeds. Most people will go 5-10mph over. Set the limit 10mph under ideal. 20mph set for residential streets.
It does make sense to evaluate speed limits based vehicle counts, road widths, on street parking, neighborhood make up, and commercial versus residential. Peoples feelings, wishes, desires, and personal opinions should not determine the speed limits. This should not be a feel good survey where people may coerce change because of their will or simply to cause change because it is change.
This request was discussed with Mayor Harrison several occasions during more than 3 years. This is an obvious case for enforced slower speed limits. Thank you for your consideration and your action.
It would be different if we had sidewalks. But just try walking in the street and have a car pass you by at 30 miles per hour without moving over. Just too fast and unsafe. 20 mph is plenty fast. Thanks for listening!
We don't need more limitations.
I have driven the streets near where I live (2405 Zealand Ave. N.) at 20 - 25 mph and feel that speed is more that adequate for travel in a residential neighborhood. There are often pedestrians with children and dogs. I am greatly concerned a driver travelling at great than, say, 25 mph with strike someone who suddenly darts into traffic. I do not feel a lower speed limit is an undue burden on a motorist. How much faster do you feel you will get to your destination at 30 v. a slightly lower limit?
If you are worried about pedestrians you may want to do things like do a better job of plowing sidewalks so people don't have to walk on the street to avoid all the snow and ice.
Make the police enforce the existing limit! 30 is perfectly reasonable but people go 40+ quite frequently.
Faster is better. Not everyone is retired.
This feels like a rush to mirror the larger cities next door who recently reduced their speed limits to 20 mph. We should look at the data and see it for what it is and not for what we want it to be.
We need a common sense approach to be adopted by the city council and more community involvement regarding issues the city council takes on. The fact that there was a total of 1 call, questioning the building of the so called "missing middle" row house development, tells me this council isn't getting the type of community feed back it needs. How are new ordinances (Like the Leash Ordinance for example) getting passed when you are getting feedback from less than 3 percent of the community over a year period? And of that 3 percent feed back only 2 of it was negative. Evidently more than surveys, and phone calls into council meetings should be required to properly gage community feedback. Tons of ways this can be done. A mailer for instance. (Took me all of 2 seconds to think of that.)
n/a

APPENDIX A

Social Media Reach and Engagement



SOCIAL MEDIA REACH AND ENGAGEMENT

Title

Reach = Number of people who saw the post

Engagement = Number of people who interacted with the post

March 22, 2021					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	656	46	4	0	1
Twitter	214	13	1	0	0
Comments					
NAME	COMMENT				
Daniel Steinberg	Daniel Steinberg				
April 9, 2021					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	471	11	1	0	0
Twitter	495	5	0	0	0
Comments					
NAME	COMMENT				
Bob LinDell	Yes. Let's get going.				
April 15, 2021					
PLATFORM	REACH	ENGAGEMENT	LIKES	SHARES/RETWEETS	COMMENTS
Facebook	454	5	0	0	0
Twitter	189	13	0	0	0