

COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: South Rim Club Parkway Speed Limit

MEETING DATE: 02-04-10

PAYSON GOAL: NEW: EXISTING:

ITEM NO.:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

SUBMITTED BY: LaRon Garrett, Pub. Wks. Dir.

AMOUNT BUDGETED: \$0

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA
APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: \$0

CONT. FUNDING REQUIRED: \$0

EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached): Letters of Request, Map of affected area

POSSIBLE MOTION

I move to increase the speed limit on South Rim Club Parkway from 25 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour and direct staff to install the appropriate signage for this change.

SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR POSSIBLE MOTION:

Typically, based on Arizona Revised Statutes, the speed limit on all Town owned roads within the Payson town limits is 25 miles per hour (mph), unless they have been set otherwise by the Town Council. Previously, the Town Council approved increasing the speed limit on Tyler Parkway, a portion of Vista Road, and a portion of Airport Road to 35 mph. We have received a request to increase the speed limit on S. Rim Club Parkway from 25 mph to 35 mph. South Rim Club Parkway extends between Highway 260 and E. Rim Club Pass and will ultimately be extended to Granite Dells Road. It currently serves as access to vacant commercial properties, 4 residential subdivisions, and two vacant residential properties. When it is extended it will provide access to an additional 4 residential properties which are currently vacant. No residential lots access directly onto Rim Club Parkway.

The common procedure for determining what a speed limit should be set at is to use the 85th percentile speed of the existing traffic. Previously, staff had conducted three studies in this area. The data from those studies shows that the 85th percentile speed ranges between 37.3 and 39.2 mph. Based on this information, the requested speed limit increase appears to be acceptable.

Staff supports this speed limit change and recommends approval.

PROS: The posted speed limit will be in line with the 85th percentile traffic.

CONS: Some of the existing residents may not want the speed limit increased adjacent to their subdivision.

PUBLIC INPUT (if any): N/A

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS (if any) (give dates and attach minutes): N/A

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FUNDING:

Acct: N/A

Budget:

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Community Association, Inc.

January 15, 2010

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Dear Mr. Garrett:

At the December 3, 2009 Rim Golf Club Community Association, Board of Directors Meeting, one item on the agenda was the discussion of the 25 mph speed limit on Rim Club Parkway.

The residents in attendance at that meeting were in favor of The Rim Golf Club Community Association requesting a speed limit increase from 25 mph to 35 mph. Tyler Parkway has a 35 mph speed limit and there are many driveways that enter directly off the roadway. Rim Club Parkway does not have one private driveway that enters the roadway directly.

The Rim Golf Club Community Association hereby requests the modification to the speed limit on Rim Club Parkway and be presented to The Town Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



Suzy Tubbs, CMCA
Community Manager
The Rim Golf Club Community Association

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January 7, 2010

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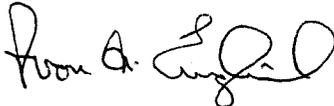
Dear Mr. Garrett:

I would like to request that the speed limit on Rim Club Parkway be raised to at least 35 Miles per Hour from its current speed limit of 25 Miles per Hour. The basis for my request is twofold: First, the Rim Club Parkway was originally named Tyler Parkway and Tyler Parkway has an existing speed limit of 35 MPH. I do not see the justification for changing the speed limit to 25 MPH due to a name change where the road conditions remain the same. Secondly, Rim Club Parkway does not have any direct access from any private resident, unlike Tyler Parkway which has numerous direct accesses from private residents. Common sense would indicate that a road not having any direct access from private residences would not have a lower speed limit than a road that does have direct access from private residences. I would question that Rim Club parkway represents a greater hazard for the residents along it than it does for the residents along Tyler Parkway.

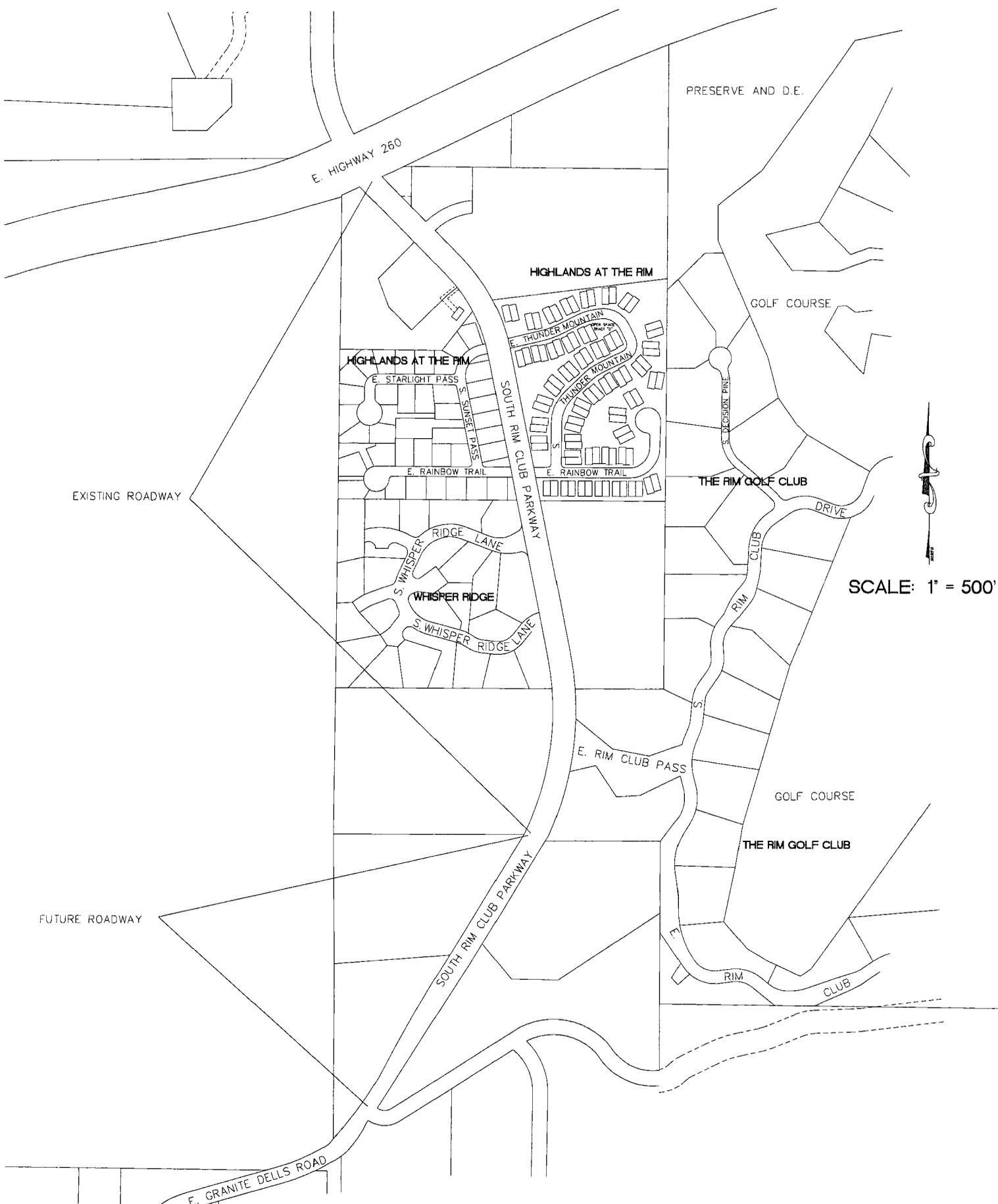
I feel that it is unreasonable for a prudent driver to expect a drop in the speed limit when they are staying on a continuation from Tyler Parkway and becomes punitive to drivers that are unaware that a speed limit has changed for a very similar road.

I would request that a modification to the speed limit on Rim Club Parkway be presented to the Town Council.

Respectfully,



Ivon A. English



SOUTH RIM CLUB PARKWAY SPEED LIMIT INCREASE REQUEST