




Port St. Lucie Police Department

memorandum

TO: Mayor and City Council

VIA: Russ Blackburn
City Manager

FROM: John A. Bolduc 
Chief of Police

DATE: October 8, 2019

SUBJECT: *Follow-Up: Request to Change Speed Limit Signs
Along Morningside Boulevard*

In June 2019, I recommended that the speed limit on Morningside Boulevard be changed to 30 mph for consistency, as there are currently three different speed limits along this roadway. The roadway is similar in design and the land use categories all the same. A plain reading of F.S. 316.189 sets the maximum speed limit on all municipal roads to 30 mile per hour.

As previously stated, the speed limit variations on Morningside Boulevard has been discussed for several years, as far back as 1992. In January 2018, I conducted an analysis of the speed limits on Morningside Boulevard. At that time, it was my recommendation to reject the proposal to lower the speed limit, based on the Traffic Engineering Investigation which revealed 85th percentile speeds near 40 mph and 10 mph pace speeds of 31- 40 mph, which did not warrant lowering the speed limit below 35 mph. Once more, I would like to reiterate that my position has changed, and I concur that the speed limit should be changed to 30 mph.

Please feel free to contact me if any additional information regarding this issue is required.

Attachments:

1. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes dated May 26, 1992
2. Memo dated January 25, 2005, from Donald Cooper regarding Change in Speed Limit Recommendations on Various Streets
3. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes dated February 14, 2005
4. Email dated August 4, 2017, regarding Morningside Speed Limit with a July 16, 1999 memo regarding Speed Limit on Morningside Boulevard
5. Council Agenda Memo dated January 22, 2018
6. Via Memo dated June 5, 2019, concerning Update on City311, Case 3355, Morningside Boulevard Speed Limits

c: Bob Sweeney, Public Works Director