

## NTMP – Speed Control Program

The purpose of the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) is to improve neighborhood quality of life by implementing “Traffic Calming” measures to reduce excessive vehicular speeds on neighborhood streets. “Traffic Calming” refers to modifying streets in such a manner as to enhance the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists on designated residential streets.

The Speed Control Program is part of the NTMP that addresses neighborhood traffic speeding and to ensure residents are involved in the process. The program requires one traffic study, one public meeting, 14-day comment period and final approval by City Council.

## Application

An application to the NTMP may be made by one or more property owners or residents within a neighborhood area, or by an authorized representative of a neighborhood association with evidence of residential support.

Applications seeking public funding or assistance on planning or construction must be filed to be eligible. Complete applications are reviewed by the Department to determine eligibility and will be prioritized.

An application form can be obtained at:

<http://www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/traffic/ntmp.htm>

## Traffic Calming Tool

Traffic calming device that can be used to address excessive vehicular speeding problems is speed cushions.

For more information please refer to:

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## Public Participation

The goal of the program is to have active participation from residents to help identify the problems areas where there is excessive vehicular speeding which will assist the NTMP staff develop a traffic control plan for the study area. The program requires one public meeting to be held after a thorough traffic study has been processed.

- The public meeting is to inform residents about the NTMP process and to present the results of the traffic control study and the developed concept plan. Notices of meeting along with a copy of the concept plan are mailed to all property owners and residents within the affected study area.
- Public comments regarding the project are recorded during meetings, and written or emailed comments are accepted within a 14-day comment period following the meeting.

## Traffic Study

A traffic study is conducted within the study area to determine the nature of speeding problem(s). Collected traffic data determines project eligibility according to the following factor:

- 15% of observed vehicular speeds on a street are equal to or above the posted speed limit plus 3 mph;

Projects determined eligible proceed to concept plan development.

## Concept Plan

The Department will develop a concept traffic plan. The concept plan must be approved by the City's Fire and Public Works and Engineering Departments. The City Attorney must provide a favorable review of the concept plan to assure compliance with all local, state and federal laws and regulations.

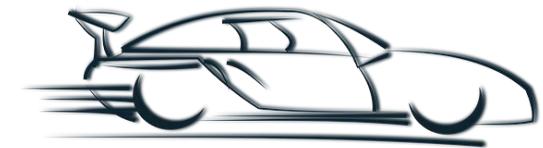
## NTMP Approval

Following the close of the 14-day comment period the Department Director reviews all concept plans, contributing data, and public comment, and either approves or disapproves the plan. The review will consider public support of the proposed devices and potential unintended shift in traffic.

## Council Approval

All recommended concept plans will be sent to City Council for final approval. The decision by City Council will be final and not subject to further appeal or rehearing. The Department notifies the applicant in writing of Council's action.

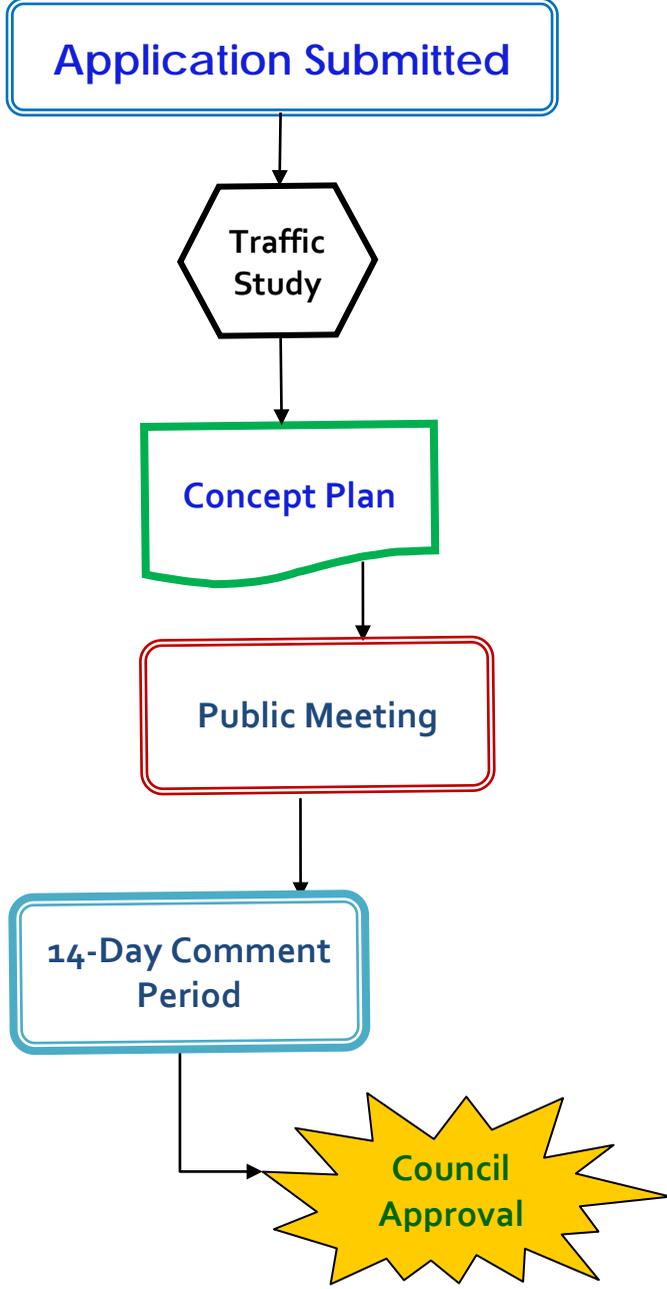
Projects not approved are not allowed to file a new request for the same or similar project for three years.



For further information on the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) please visit our website at:

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The logo features the text 'SPEED CONTROL PROGRAM' in green, 'NTMP' in large black letters with a green 'N', and 'Neighborhood Traffic Management Program' in green. To the right is a stylized car icon and a '311' logo with a Texas state flag motif.

