Traffic Calming Program

1) Letter of request is submitted to Salt Lake County Engineering:

   SALT LAKE COUNTY ENGINEERING
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   Salt Lake City, Utah 84190
   or
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   o Letters from residents must include contact information and signatures from ten property owners along the street.
   o Letters from Community Councils must include contact information.

2) Traffic data is collected in the Spring or Fall while schools are in session. (Data collection is difficult to collect during the snow season). Using the data collected a “hazard index” is given to the roadway based upon the following:

   o Speed Limit – 10 points for every mile-per-hour automobiles travel over the posted speed limit
   o Traffic Volume – 1 point for every 100 vehicles traveling the road per day
   o Bus/Bike Route – 5 points if the roadway is a bus or bicycle route
   o Sidewalks – 5 points if there is no sidewalk along the roadway
   o Elementary School – 5 points if an elementary school is in the area
   o Pedestrian Generators – 5 points if there is any other pedestrian generator, such as a park, library, other school, or community center, in the area

   The “hazard index” is an objective standard that allows County Engineering to categorize traffic calming requests for comparison.

3) When the roadway is highest on the hazard index list, engineers review the roadway design characteristics to determine the best traffic calming solution, consisting of either speed humps, driver feedback signs, or a combination of both. Please note, speed humps cannot be installed on roadways with a grade greater than 5%! 
Traffic Calming Measures

- **Driver Feedback Signs** – If County Engineering determines driver feedback signs to be the appropriate traffic calming measure for the street, residents along the roadway are notified by mail of the proposed solution and a final plan is prepared. Driver feedback signs are then scheduled for installation by Salt Lake County Operations.

- **Speed Humps** – If County Engineering determines that speed humps are the appropriate traffic calming measure, residents along the roadway are “polled” by mail to see if they support installation of speed humps. Ultimately, the decision of whether to install speed humps remains with County Engineering. Nevertheless the opinions of those who live along the roadway are considered prior to making any final determination. Generally, non-respondents to the poll are counted favorably toward the project.

Traffic calming measures are dependent upon funding.

Thank-you for always driving the speed limit on neighborhood streets