## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-24-07 of the City Engineer of Public Works Engineering of the City of Eugene

## DESIGNATING TEMPORARY SPEEDS ON AMAZON PARKWAY DUE TO CONSTRUCTION-RELATED ACTIVITIES.

## The City Engineer of Public Works Engineering of the City of Eugene finds that:

- A. Under the provisions of Chapter IV, Section 16 of the Eugene Charter of 2002, the City Manager is designated as the administrative head of the City and is specifically authorized to enforce all ordinances of the City. In addition, EC 5.040 authorizes the City Manager or the Manager's designee to take administrative action establishing or altering traffic control areas and traffic control devices including traffic control signals, signs, and pavement markings. EC 5.055 sets forth the criteria the City Manager or the City Manager's designee should consider when taking administrative action authorized by EC 5.040.
- **B.** On August 5, 2020, the City Manager issued Administrative Order No. 58-20-17 granting the Executive Director of the Public Works Department the authority to exercise all of the duties and responsibilities specifically defined as those of the City Manager in Sections 5.040, 5.045 and 5.050 of the Eugene Code, 1971. That Order also granted the Executive Director of the Public Works Department the authority to further delegate those duties and responsibilities to such person or persons qualified to perform the delegated duties.
- C. On August 6, 2020, the Executive Director of the Public Works Department issued Administrative Order No. 58-20-18 granting the City Engineer the authority to perform the duties and responsibilities specifically defined as those of the City Manager in Sections 5.040, 5.045 and 5.050 of the Eugene Code, 1971. That Order also granted the City Engineer the authority to further delegate those duties and responsibilities to such person or persons qualified to perform the delegated duties.
- **D.** ORS 810.180(8) provides specific direction for establishing, on highways / streets in the City's jurisdiction, a temporary "designated speed" that is lower than the statutory speed and includes additional criteria the City Manager or the City Manager's designee should consider when establishing a temporary designated speed.
- **E.** For the safety and welfare of the public, it is necessary to establish a temporary designated speed of 25 mph on Amazon Parkway from E 19<sup>th</sup> Ave to E 24<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- **F.** In making this decision, I have considered all of the applicable criteria set forth in EC 5.055 and ORS 810.180(8). The following findings support my decision to establish a temporary designated speed for this street segment.

- 1. Current conditions / characteristics: Amazon Parkway from E 19<sup>th</sup> Ave to E 24<sup>th</sup> Ave is a minor arterial street with a posted speed of 35 mph. This street segment has a paved width of approximately 36 feet. The street cross section along the segment typically includes one 6-foot southbound bike lane, one 2-foot buffer, one 10-foot southbound travel lane, one 10-foot northbound travel lane, one 2-foot buffer, one 6-foot northbound bike lane, and a variable-width sidewalk on the west side of the roadway from 775' south of E 20<sup>th</sup> Ave to E 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Construction of a pedestrian bridge and earthwork in its vicinity will necessitate the closure of the Amazon Path. During this work, path users will be directed onto Amazon Parkway to a temporary rectangular rapid flashing beacon where they will cross to the sidewalk on the west side of Amazon Parkway. At all other times during the project, Amazon Parkway will serve as the route onto which construction vehicles will regularly enter and leave the construction site.
- 2. Traffic engineering principles and traffic investigations support a reduction in the speed of automobile traffic when the roadway is shared with pedestrians and people riding bicycles as described above.
- 3. These treatments are consistent with standards, limitations, and rules promulgated by the Oregon Transportation Commission or the Oregon Public Utility Commission or their successors through guidance from the Oregon Department of Transportation Traffic Control Plans Design Manual and also with other recognized traffic control standards including the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (Part 6) temporary traffic control.
- 4. Providing a slower moving traffic environment for increased construction vehicle traffic and for pedestrians and people riding bicycles to cross through the construction zone accommodates the continued demand of path users and of safety through the work zone. Establishing a temporary designated speed of 25 mph on this street segment during construction related activities from June 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024 (when the temporary designated speed is posted), is consistent with the following Goal and System Wide Policy in the Eugene 2035 Transportation System Plan, adopted by City Council on June 26, 2017:
  - Goal 4: Address the transportation needs and safety of all travelers, including people of all ages, abilities, races, ethnicities, and incomes. Through transportation investments, respond to the needs of system users, be context sensitive, and distribute the benefits and impacts of transportation decisions fairly throughout the City.

System-Wide Policy 2: Consider safety first when making transportation decisions. Strive for zero transportation-related fatalities and severe injuries by reducing the number and severity of crashes through design, operations, maintenance, education, and enforcement. In furtherance of the City Council's adopted Vision Zero goal (Resolution No. 5143), prioritize safety

improvements for people who walk, bike and use mobility devices because no loss of life or serious injury on our streets is acceptable.

## On the basis of these findings, I order that:

A temporary designated speed of 25 mph for all vehicles will be established, from June 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024 (when the temporary designated speed is posted), on Amazon Parkway from E 19<sup>th</sup> Ave to E 24<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Dated and effective this 8th day of April, 2024.

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