



Interoffice Memorandum

January 3, 2020

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings  
and Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJ: **Approval to Decrease the Speed Limit on Oakland Avenue (County Road 438)**

The Town of Oakland has requested that Orange County reduce the speed limit on Oakland Avenue (County Road 438) from 45 mph to 35 mph. This would be consistent with Oakland Avenue to the east, which is maintained by the City of Winter Garden.

A developer of a new subdivision on Oakland Avenue (County Road 438), Pulte Homes, hired an engineering firm to perform an analysis of the speed limit and the recommendation from the report is to reduce the speed limit to be consistent with the 35 mph speed limit along the entire roadway corridor. In addition, there is a mid-block crossing on Oakland Avenue that serves pedestrians utilizing the West Orange Trail. The reduced posted speed limit would provide a safety benefit to pedestrians crossing Oakland Avenue.

Based on the Florida Statute 316.189 and a field review of traffic conditions, staff recommends that the Board approve a decrease in the posted speed limit from 45 mph to 35 mph on Oakland Avenue (County Road 438).

**Action Requested: Approval to decrease the speed limit on Oakland Avenue (County Road 438) from 45 mph to 35 mph from SR 50 to the City of Winter Garden Boundary. District 1.**

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Attachments

# Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 -14

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF OAKLAND, FLORIDA, REQUESTING ORANGE COUNTY TO CHANGE THE SPEED LIMIT FOR OAKLAND AVENUE (CR 438) TO BE A CONSISTENT 35 MPH FROM COLONIAL DRIVE (SR 50) TO TILDENVILLE SCHOOL ROAD; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, a primary route through the Town of Oakland is Oakland Avenue (County Road 438); and

**WHEREAS**, different portions of Oakland Avenue currently have two speed limits – 45 MPH and 35 MPH; and

**WHEREAS**, attached as Exhibit “A” to this Resolution is a copy of a Speed Zone Study prepared by Traffic & Mobility Consultants; and

**WHEREAS**, the recommendation of the Speed Zone Study is to reduce the posted speed limit of Oakland Avenue to a consistent 35 MPH from Colonial Drive (SR 50) to Tildenville School Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission of the Town of Oakland finds that it would increase the safety of the citizens of the Town and the citizens of Orange County who drive on Oakland Avenue to reduce the posted speed limit of Oakland Avenue to a consistent 35 MPH from Colonial Drive (SR 50) to Tildenville School Road.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OAKLAND, FLORIDA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing WHEREAS clauses are herein adopted as findings.

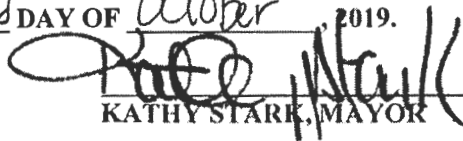
**SECTION 2.** The Town of Oakland hereby respectfully requests the Orange County Board of County Commissioners to reduce the posted speed limit of Oakland Avenue to a consistent 35 MPH from Colonial Drive (SR 50) to Tildenville School Road.

**SECTION 3.** Any and all Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** If any provision or portion of this Resolution or the application is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions, portions or applications of the Resolution, which can be given effect without the invalid provision, portion or application, and to this end the provisions, portions, or applications of this Resolution are declared severable.

**SECTION 5.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Commission.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS** 22<sup>nd</sup> **DAY OF** October **2019.**

  
KATHY STARK, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**   
ELISE HUI, TOWN CLERK