

**Local Street Traffic Calming Assessment Policy
City of Bloomington
Bloomington, Minnesota**

Introduction

The City will serve as a facilitator, to assist in financing appropriate Traffic Calming projects, by processing a 5-year special assessment for those property owners who **choose** to participate.

Assessment Hearings will be held prior to ordering the construction of the project. The assessments will be based on the approved “Applicant Cost Per Device,” in the table below. The notices sent to the owners will have assessment costs based on only 67% of owners participating. Such assessment amounts would be reduced if over 67% of owners agree to be assessed.

Each individual property owner in the benefited area (and any other property owner that volunteers) will have the option to sign a “Petition and Waiver of Hearing” document in regard to the assessment. When owners of 67% or more of the assessable front footage of the benefited area have signed the document, and the council approves the project, the City will proceed with the construction project. At the assessment hearing, the cost of the project will be calculated by the Adjusted Front Footage Method as detailed in the City’s General Assessment Policy, Page 2, Section C. The initial assessment area boundary would be delineated by benefited area as described in the Traffic Calming Policy and Procedure Manual. Public Works will review the benefited area boundary to assure it is appropriate. All property owners (minimum 67% in the benefited area) who have signed a Petition and Waiver of Hearing will be assessed their portion.

Seniors citizens have the option of participating in the assessment or using the senior citizen hardship assessment deferral: Pursuant to MSA 435.193 - .195 and resolution of the City Council, deferral of special assessments may occur under certain conditions for homestead property to persons 65 years of age or older (or retired by virtue of a permanent and total disability) for whom it would be a hardship to make the payments.

Traffic Calming Project Assessments

The approved applicant cost(s) of the project, which are listed in the table below, will be assessed to the property owners who have signed a Petition and Waiver of Hearing document. The soft costs (trial device installation, feasibility study, design and construction engineering and project administration) and any remaining construction costs, will be borne by the cities general fund.

Approved applicant costs for individual device(s):

Device (Small Scale)	Applicant Cost Per Device
Speed Table	\$2,500
Center Median/Island (with no outside curb work)	\$7,500
Choker	\$7,500
Chicane	\$7,500
Bulb-Out	\$7,500
Traffic Circle	\$10,000