

My Action Plan for 48th Avenue W

Are you feeling inspired to take action to address the traffic concerns on 48th Avenue W?

Here is a checklist to help you get started:

Talk to my neighbors and share the City's findings and recommendations

List interested neighbors who want to help me with efforts:

Trim Vegetation/Landscaping for sight visibility at driveways

Decide the educational programs we want to participate in:

Neighborhood Speed Watch Programs

Radar Trailer/Dolly

Contact City staff at 425.263.8100 to set-up a training session for the Neighborhood Speed Watch Program, and get materials

Notes:



Traffic Action Plan

City of Mukilteo Traffic Calming Program

July 18, 2016

David Pizzati

Mukilteo, WA 98275

Re: Speeding Concerns on 48th Avenue W

Dear Mr. Pizzati,

Thank you for contacting the City of Mukilteo and sharing your concerns with vehicle speeds on 48th Avenue W. We have completed a field review and data analysis on 48th Avenue W and compiled this information into this Traffic Action Plan (TAP), as well as our recommendations.

A speed study was conducted along 48th Avenue W. The location was selected based on the information you provided in your Request for Action Form. The speed study began on July 1, 2016 and ended on July 11, 2016. The study shows 85% of motorists are traveling at or below 25 mph in the southbound direction and at or below 24 mph in the northbound direction. There were 3,181 vehicles recorded traveling southbound, and 2,819 traveling northbound during the 10 day speed study.

To address those motorists choosing to drive faster than the posted speed limit, we encourage you and your neighbors to participate in one of our education programs as described on page 3 of this report.

In addition, we recommend that you do not back out of your driveway and trim the vegetation/hedge to create sight distance visibility coming out of your driveway, per Mukilteo Municipal Code (MMC) 9.49 Vegetation Nuisances. Additionally, cars are not allowed, by MMC 10.08 Parking of Motor Vehicles, to park within 5 feet of a driveway entrance. If a car is within 5 feet of your driveway contact the Police Non-emergency number at 425.775.3000.

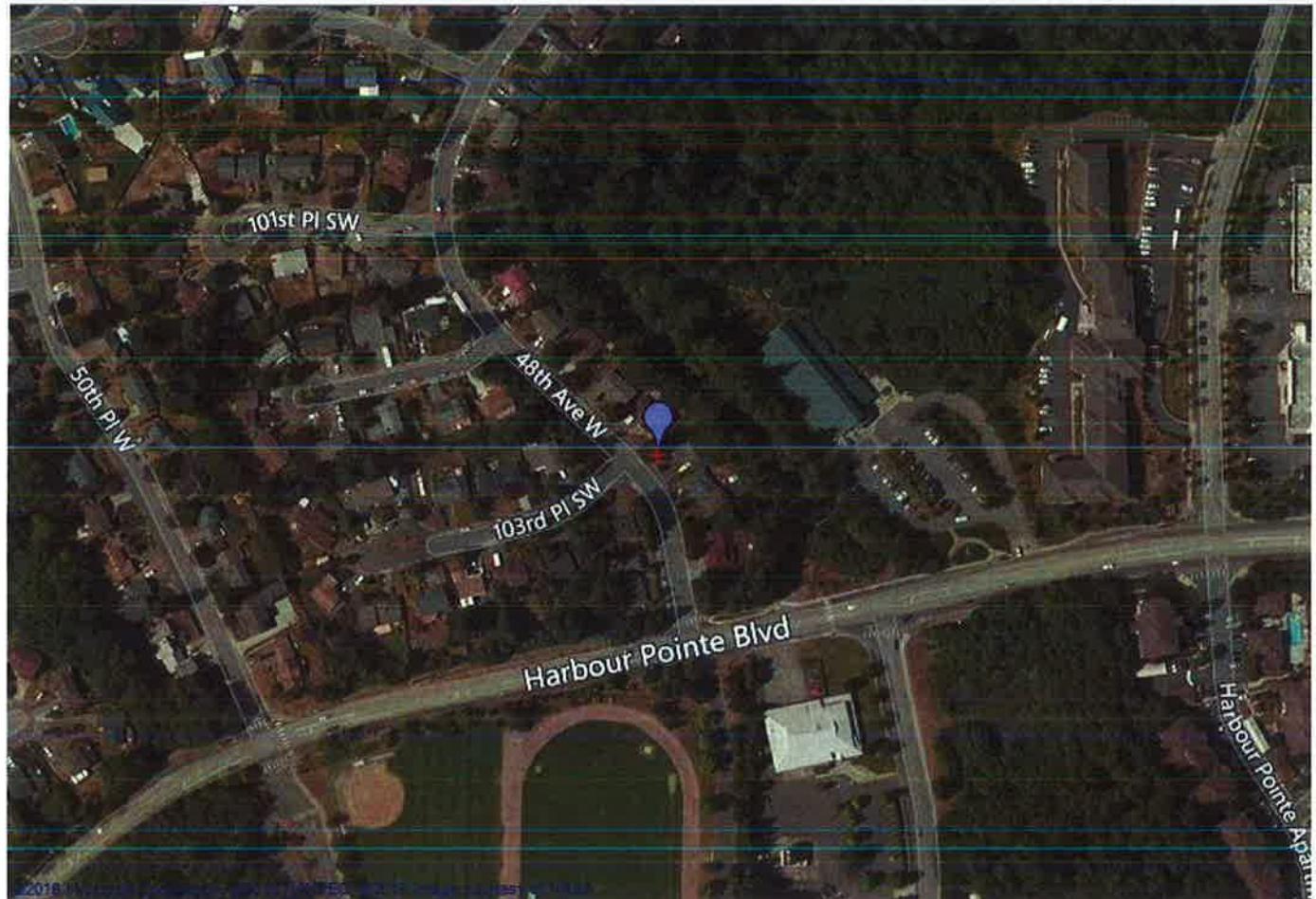
Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with us. We look forward to working with you and your neighbors on the programs suggested to address your traffic concerns. Please feel free to contact Challis Stringer at cstringer@mukilteowa.gov or 425.263.8082 regarding any of the information in this TAP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink.

Robert McGaughey, P.E.
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Location of Speed Study



Summary of Findings

Date	Location	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speeds	85% of vehicles traveling at or below this speed
July 1, 2016 – July 11, 2016	10200 Block 48th Ave W Southbound	318	20 MPH	25 MPH
July 1, 2016 – July 11, 2016	10200 Block 48th Ave W Northbound	281	20 MPH	24 MPH

Customized Traffic Action Plan for 48th Avenue W

Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement

By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds.



Traffic Enforcement

The Public Works Department works closely with the Police Department to enforce speed limits and other traffic laws in neighborhoods. Using key traffic data provided by Public Works staff, officers focus their scheduled patrols on the times and places where speeding most often occurs. Typically, targeted enforcement occurs during a one-week timeframe. Enforcement is also available by request to Mukilteo residents.

Neighborhood Speed Watch Programs

The Neighborhood Speed Watch is a public awareness program that provides citizens with partnership opportunities in solving speeding problems in their neighborhood. Residents monitor the speed of vehicles with radar equipment on loan from the Police Department. Police staff train residents on how to use the radar unit to record the license plate numbers of those motorists driving at least 5 mph above the posted speed limit. A letter is sent from the Police Department to the registered owners of those vehicles informing them of the observed violation and encourages them or the other drivers of their vehicle to drive at or below the posted speed limit. Since this is a community awareness program, no formal citations or fines are issued.

A short 1 hour training session is provided to the requestor by City staff. The requestor collects motorists' data and submits the results to City Staff. To participate in this program, please call 425.263.8100.



City of Mukilteo Block Watch

Radar Trailer/Dolly

The radar trailer/dolly is a portable trailer equipped with a radar unit which detects the speed of passing vehicles and displays the speed on a reader board. The goal is to heighten driver's awareness of both the speed at which they are traveling and the posted speed limit. This encourages drivers to adjust their speeds, if needed.



Police Officers or Police Volunteers will place the radar trailer or dolly at location as requested. The Police Department may use the trailer as a "speed checkpoint" and have an officer present to issue citations to violators.

To request a radar speed trailer be placed at a particular location, call 425.263.