

## My Action Plan for the Arbors

Are you feeling inspired to take action to address the traffic concerns for the Arbors?

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:

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Decide the educational programs we want to participate in:

Neighborhood Speed Watch Programs

Radar Trailer/Dolly—I am willing for it to be placed in my drive way.

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

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## Traffic Action Plan

### City of Mukilteo Traffic Calming Program

May 8, 2017

Shyam Prabhu

[REDACTED]  
Mukilteo, WA 98275

Re: Speeding Concerns at entrance to the Arbors from Possession Way/Arbors inner roads

Dear Shyam,

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

A speed study was conducted in the Arbors neighborhood. The location was selected to capture the highest speeds possible. The speed study began on March 1, 2017 and ended on March 14, 2017. The study shows 85% of motorists are traveling at or below 22 mph in the southbound direction and at or below 22 mph in the northbound direction. There were 820 vehicles recorded traveling southbound, and 1,062 traveling northbound during the 13 day speed study.

Based on the traffic study, the City strongly encourages you to conduct neighborhood education as there are very few speeders and they are most likely generated by your neighbors and/or their guests as this is not a cut through street and only serves the neighborhood through the loop. The education programs are described on page 3 of this report.

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](mailto:cstringer@mukilteowa.gov) or 425.263.8082 regarding any of the information in this TAP.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Mick Matheson in blue ink.

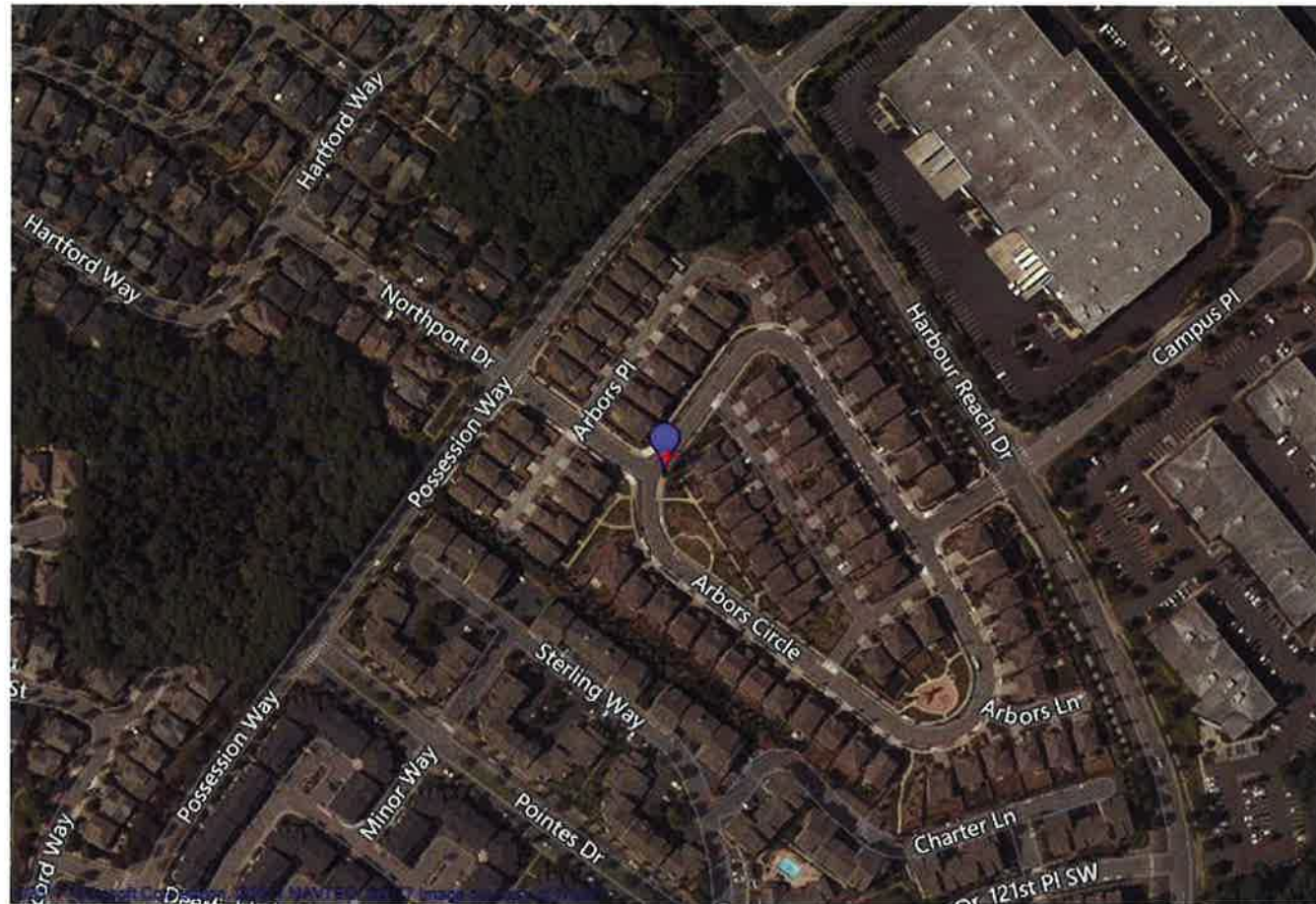
Mick Matheson P.E.  
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

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Glen Koen  
Assistant Police Chief



### Location of Speed Study



### Summary of Findings

Date	Location	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speeds	85% of vehicles traveling at or below this speed
March 1, 2017— March 14, 2017	Northport Dr (the Arbors) —Southbound	63	18 MPH	22 MPH
March 1, 2017— March 14, 2017	Northport Dr. (the Arbors) — Northbound	81	18 MPH	22 MPH

### Customized Traffic Action Plan for the Arbors

#### 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.

#### 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 425.263.8100.