



Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Public Works - Roads & Drainage

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): County Wide

Speed Zone Order/Radar Permit Application - No cost to county

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PURPOSE:

To consider approving the attached application to the Georgia Department of Public Safety requesting a permit for the use of speed detection devices on DeKalb County streets.

NEED/IMPACT:

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 40-14-2, law enforcement officers of the county may use speed detection devices for traffic control on DeKalb County streets only if the sheriffs of such counties or the governing authority of the county approves of and desires the use of such devices and applies to the Georgia Department of Public Safety for a permit for the authorization to use such devices.

Prior to the submission of the application to the Georgia Department of Public Safety, speed limits on streets or roads must be approved by the Office of Traffic Operations of the Georgia Department of Transportation. The attached list of speed zones was established based on engineering and traffic investigations as prescribed by law and was previously submitted to the Office of Traffic Operations of the Georgia Department of Transportation for their approval.

Upon approval by the Board, the application will be submitted through the Georgia Department of Transportation to the Georgia Department of Public Safety for their approval and issuance of a radar permit to DeKalb County. Once the radar permit is received, appropriate amendments will be required to the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia to comply with the new permit. Those amendments will be submitted to the Board for approval at that time.

The current DeKalb County radar permit expires on December 31, 2025.

- Attachment (1) is the new permit, LOR, DeKalb County made no updates.
- The updated items on the LOR are listed in red. There have been several changes to the list for DeKalb County. First, the road switch of Hugh Howell Road with Mountain Industrial Blvd, and the City of Tucker had a couple of updates on the list as well. The City of Tucker is housed under DeKalb County LOR for police services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No cost to county

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached application to the State of Georgia Department of Public Safety requesting a permit for the use of speed detection devices on DeKalb County streets.