




John G. Lyons
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the County Council

FROM: John Lyons, County Engineer 

RE: **St. Charles County Traffic Control**

DATE: **March 7, 2023**

The attached ordinance amends Chapter 310, Traffic Regulations, of the Ordinances of St. Charles County. The revisions streamline the review and approval process for new traffic regulations by allowing notifications to be posted online and onsite in lieu of newspaper postings and requiring only one public hearing in lieu of two public hearings. Additionally, the revised ordinance grants the County Engineer the authority to review all traffic regulation requests, and further grants the County Engineer authority to take temporary action to ease immediate traffic issues. These changes will reduce approval lead times by 4 to 5 weeks, thereby improving the Department's response time to resident requests. Finally, the revised ordinance provides an opportunity to evaluate, and if warranted, implement traffic calming measures for existing streets. A new Traffic Control Policy (see attached) has been written to expound on the revised ordinance explaining in more detail the new request, review, and approval procedures.

Let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.