



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code section 10.04.095 to establish 20 mph school speed zones on Bennett Drive and Alderwood Avenue for Alderwood Elementary School

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

See memo

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
07/08/2025	Council	INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	Council
07/22/2025	Council	ADOPTED Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	

Attachments: Staff Memo, Revised Staff Memo, Proposed Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-035

**ORDINANCE AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTION 10.04.095 TO
ESTABLISH 20 MPH SCHOOL SPEED ZONES ON BENNETT DRIVE AND ALDERWOOD
AVENUE FOR ALDERWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council is authorized under RCW 46.61.440 to establish school speed zones on certain County Roads; and

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Public Works was contacted by the Bellingham School District requesting low cost improvements to the Alderwood Elementary School area; and

WHEREAS, the Bellingham School District has expressed support for the establishment of these School Speed Zones; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office Traffic Sergeant has expressed support for the establishment of these School Speed Zones; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee has expressed support for the establishment of these School Speed Zones; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has determined that two new 20 MPH school speed zones should be established; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that a 20 MPH, when children are present, school speed zone be established as follows:

Bennett Drive from 300 feet north of Alderwood Avenue to 300 feet south of Alderwood Avenue in Section 14, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, W.M.

Alderwood Avenue from Bennett Drive to Hollywood Avenue in Section 14, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, W.M.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Whatcom County Council that the following be added to Whatcom County Code Section 10.04.095:

Alderwood Elementary School

Bennett Drive from 300 feet north of Alderwood Avenue to 300 feet south of Alderwood Avenue, Section 14, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, W.M.

Alderwood Avenue from Bennett Drive to Hollywood Avenue, Section 14, Township 38 North, Range 2 East, W.M.

1 **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the County Engineer is hereby directed to install
2 the appropriate signs and the Whatcom County Sheriff and Washington State Patrol be
3 notified by a copy of this ordinance.
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5 **ADOPTED** this 22nd day of July, 2025.
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14 Cathy Halka, Clerk of the Council

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22 Electronically Approved by C. Quinn/JJA 5-16-2025
23 Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

(X) Approved () Denied

Date Signed: July 28, 2025