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**Date** July 29, 2013

Request from Cheyenne Paullin, 3104 Raccoon Street, to speak regarding speeding on her street.

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I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

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## Request to Speak Before the City Council - form submission

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Mon, Jul 1, 2013 at 11:30 PM

To: councilSpeak@gtp.dmgov.org

Cc: CityClerk@gtp.dmgov.org

First Name: Cheyenne

Last Name: Paullin

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City: Des Moines

State: IA

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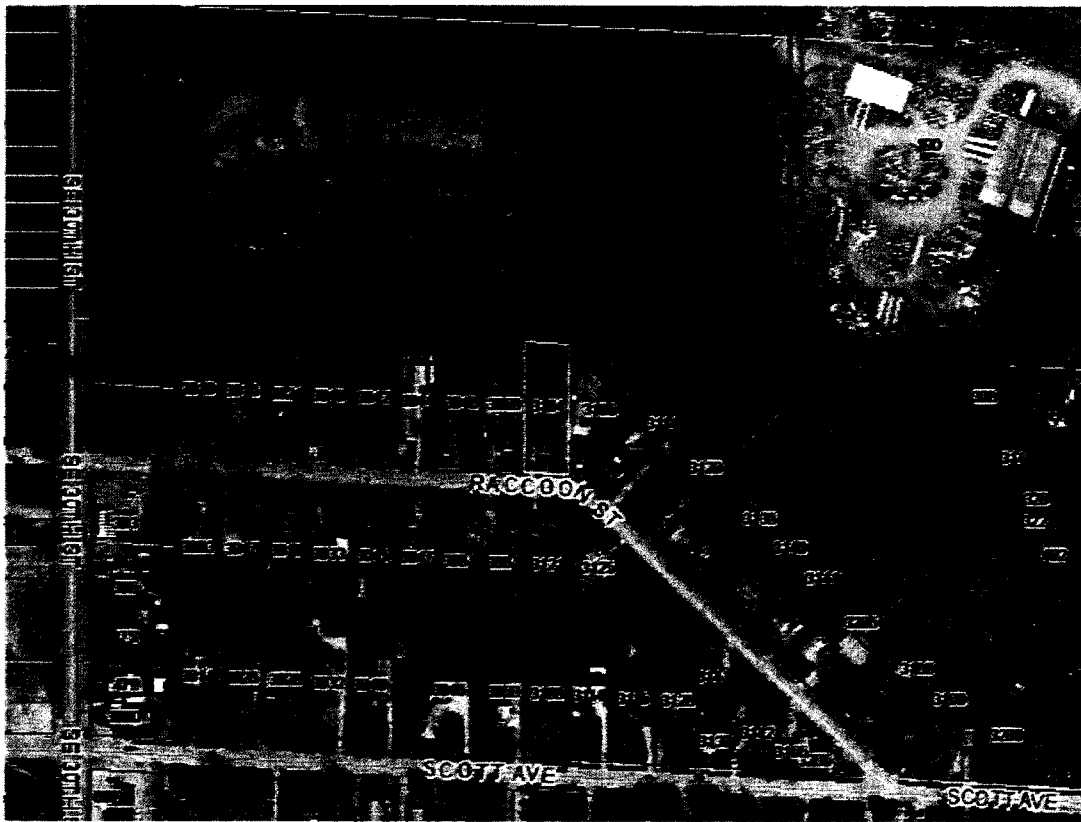
Speaker(s): Cheyenne Paullin; Jason Paullin; Mr. and Mrs. Saucedo; Mr. and Mrs. Dawson

Meeting Date: Monday, July 29, 2013

Regarding: Our neighborhood has been terrorized by people speeding down our street and missing the turn and ending up in our yards, mailboxes, trees, and very close calls on our homes. Our neighborhood has had the Des Moines Police Department out on several occasions to report damage or just trying to get them to control the speeding down our street. The most the Des Moines Police Department has accomplished is placing a speed monitor on Scott Aveue. This does not help control the speed and the traffic heading west on Raccoon towards E. 30th. People turn down our street to miss the light on Scott and E 30th which has lead to our street being terrorized by these speeding vehicles. Our neighborhood is filled with children that would love to be able to ride their bikes on the sidewalks, people being able to park on the street, and our money that we spend in landscaping to keep our street looking nice, and first and for most not have to worry about our houses becoming the next targets for this wreckless act of destruction. But, this can not be achieved until the city does something to stop this problem. My husband and I have lived in our home for 4 years and the first winter we lived here we had a Chevy Blazer come speeding down Raccoon (heading west towards E 30th) miss the turn completely and end up right outside our bedroom window, and ever since we have had a parade of cars detroy our yard and mailboxs. The most recent incident happened Sunday, June 30th 2013. My husband and I had been working out in our yard all day with the kids playing in the yard and we had left to go grab some dinner we were only gone for about 1 1/2 hours just to come home and find that our yard had once again been destroyed and of course the Des Moines Police Department came out and could do nothing because we did not have a license plate nor make and model of the vehicle. (Which is not uncommon in most cases because they are traveling so fast down our street that they take off to fast for us get get license plate numbers or make and model of the vehicle.) A neighbor up the street has his mailbox in a bucket to protect it, my next door neighbor has a huge landscaping rock in front of his mailbox to protect it, we have moved our mailbox clear to the other side of the driveway to protect it, and my neighbor across the street had to cut down his Evergreen Tree in his front yard last summer because it was hit by a car. We are asking that the city please acknowledge this problem and please take this matter seriously before we have a tragedy on our street whether it be a vehicle collision, one of our children

getting ran over, or one of our homes being destroyed. If a car were to hit the front of my house it would enter my husband and I's bedroom severely hurting or even killing us. So, please if we could figure out a solution whether to have speed bumps placed with speed limit signs posted, or closing the street where Raccoon and Scott meet, or even having guard rails put up in our curb parking to help keep vehicles out of our properties. I am aware that our street is a snow route but the whole city of Des Moines is considered a "Snow Route". Our street would rather keep our children and property safe rather than worry about whether or not our street is getting plowed in a timely fashion. For example on Hull Aveue that street has several speed bumps and it is in a neighborhood and a snow route. Please take all of this into consideration so we can protect our kids and our properties. I am working on a petition and pictures of such damage to either submit to the clerk of court before hand or to have in hand when this issue is brought up on the day of our meeting.

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