

| То: | Jim Marino, Town Manager & President and Members of Town Council |
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| From: | Staff of Public Works |
| Meeting: | July 7, 2025 |
| Re: | New School Zone Signage and Road Marking Proposal |

Background

In an effort to enhance safety for pedestrians crossing the streets and to reduce speed in school zones new school signage and street marking has been proposed. Initially, the project was to include all Town of Munster schools. The proposal was revised to also include St Thomas More and St. Paul's Schools, as well.

Methodology

The goal is to provide consistent signage and pavement markings on the streets in all school zones and adhere to the latest MUTCD standards. The recommendation is to add flashing speed limit signs posted at 20 MPH during school hours. Restripe the existing solid lines with Piano Key street striping at school intersections. Reduce the speed limit to 20 MPH in all school zones during school hours. A quote was received from Austgen Electric for eleven (11) double flashing light signs for \$53,321. The cost of installation is an additional \$15,048.

SEH also provide a bid tabulation for signage and thermoplastic street striping for the school zones for a total price of \$122,555.74.

Site Services proposed thermoplastic street markings for a total cost of \$13,580.00. After the initial street markings are in place, Public Works will maintain the school zone street markings.

Funding

The street signage is being made by the Public Works Department using existing materials from our sign shop. The cost of the signage will be reimbursed to Public Works at a cost of \$2,000.00.

Recommendation

By motion and roll call vote approve the Public Works Department to purchase materials for school zone signage and road marking not to exceed \$85,000.