

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SUBJECT: Public Hearing for Ordinance to Amend Chapter 17, Sumter County Code, to Add a New Section - Section 17-5 - Establishing Speed Limits within The Villages Development of Regional Impact (Staff recommends approval).

REQUESTED ACTION: Approve Ordinance.

Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 7/26/2011
 Regular Meeting Special Meeting

CONTRACT: N/A Vendor/Entity: N/A
Effective Date: Termination Date: _____
Managing Division / Dept: Planning & Development/Public Works

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A
 Annual **FUNDING SOURCE:** N/A
 Capital **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** N/A
 N/A

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

As the Board is aware, the issue of setting appropriate speed limits within The Villages Development of Regional Impact (Villages DRI) continues to be an issue facing the Board. Florida Statute Section 316.189, allow for counties to establish speed limits on roads. In order to provide consistency in the establishment of speed limits within the Villages DRI, Staff prepared the attached proposed ordinance for the Board to consider. The proposed ordinance provides for the following: creates a new Section 17-5 in the Sumter County Code to establish a Villages DRI wide speed limit for all roads of 20 miles per hour unless otherwise posted. To accomplish this, the proposed ordinance, consistent with the Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction, and Maintenance, published by the Florida Department of Transportation, provides for an exception to the minimum standards. Florida Professional Engineers for The Villages and for the County have reviewed the proposed ordinance. In addition, the new speed limits would not take effect until the County, in coordination with the Villages DRI, posts notification signs at the entry points to The Villages DRI in Sumter County.
