



# BALLWIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 21, 2013

To: Bob Kuntz, City Administrator

From: Chief Steve Schicker

Subject: Annual Report – Double Fine Zone/Special Enforcement

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Mr. Kuntz,

As required under City of Ballwin Official Policy on Double Fine Zones an annual report has been prepared for the Board of Aldermen. Traffic Safety Unit supervisor Sgt. Mark Marino has provided me with a detailed report on the number of radar enforcement surveys conducted, motor vehicle accident data and citizen complaints from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012, refer to attached report.

When examining motor vehicle accident data in the Special Enforcement Areas, there was actually a reduction in the number of accidents in 2012 (52) compared to 2011 (64). Speed alone was the only contributing factor in one (1) accident investigated. A combination of other contributing factors played a role in the remaining accidents, along with weather conditions involving roadway characteristics adding to the weather factor. This alone does not mean an operator was exceeding the speed limit.

During the calendar year of 2012 we received very few complaints of speeding, with only three roadways within the 21 Special Enforcement Areas receiving single complaints.

The City of Ballwin policy on Double Fine Zones was adopted March 10, 2008. Section 2 relates to the establishment of those zones and criteria for placing roadways on the schedule. Based on that criteria and our analysis no additional roadways are recommended to be added to the schedule at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Steve Schicker

Attachment



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Date: 01-18-2013  
To: Captain Scott  
From: Sgt. Marino  
Subject: Special Enforcement Area Report

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Sir,

Attached are the statistics in reference to the traffic surveys, speeding violations/warnings, and traffic crashes within the Special Enforcement Areas as outlined by Ballwin City Ordinance #15-497. The data presented was collected from traffic surveys and traffic crash reports in the Special Enforcement Areas during the time period of January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012.

Over this time period there were a total of 52 traffic crashes in the Special Enforcement Areas. Traffic crashes within the Special Enforcement Area on New Ballwin Road accounted for nearly half of this number (24 total traffic crashes). Of the 21 total streets listed within the Special Enforcement Areas, 13 did not have any traffic crashes which were a result of speed and/or moving violations during the entire year of 2012.

Of the 52 traffic crashes, there were a total of 17 where speed and/or a moving violation contributed to the crash. It should be noted that only 1 of the 17 was a direct result of speed, which occurred on Hill Trail Drive. Other factors such as weather conditions, alcohol, and inattention/distracted driving were also shown to be contributing factors in several traffic crashes, in addition to a moving violation. Rarely was a moving violation the sole factor in any of the traffic crashes.

Throughout 2012 the Traffic Safety Unit received citizen complaints for speeding vehicles on Hill Trail, Glen Meadow and Richland Meadows. One complaint was made on each street. We also received a complaint on Richland Meadows that the speed limit was too low, and too much enforcement was being done. The complainant viewed the enforcement as unnecessary due to the opinion that a traffic safety problem did not exist.

I have attached a breakdown of the surveys and enforcement results for the Special Enforcement Areas, as well as a breakdown of the traffic crashes within the Special Enforcement Areas.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sgt. Mark Marino 253  
Ballwin P.D. Traffic Safety Unit

## Special Enforcement Areas

Street Name	2012 Surveys	2012 Speed	2012 Warnings
Aspen Village	8	0	0
Bitterfield	15	3	2
Claymont	47	7	7
Clayworth	4	0	0
Clear Meadows	26	0	3
Cleta	25	0	8
Dutchmill	38	6	9
Glen Meadow	18	0	4
Hillsdale	51	12	8
Hill Trail	5	0	1
New Ballwin	118	59	16
Old Ballwin	44	18	4
Parker	2	0	0
Ramsey	44	18	8
Reinke	44	20	1
Richland Meadows	35	6	3
Rustic Valley	8	0	0
Twigwood	89	7	0
Westglen Village	29	5	3
Wildwood Pkwy	21	4	0
Windcliffe	4	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>78</b>

**Total Traffic Crashes in Special Enforcement Areas  
where Speed and/or a Moving Violation was a Contributing Factor**

Street Name	2012 Total Traffic Crashes	2012 Traffic Crashes as a Result of Speed and/or a Moving Violation
Aspen Village	1	0
Bitterfield	3	2
Claymont	0	0
Clayworth	1	0
Clear Meadows	2	0
Cleta	1	0
Dutchmill	2	1
Glen Meadow	0	0
Hillsdale	0	0
Hill Trail	1	1
New Ballwin	24	6
Old Ballwin	1	0
Parker	0	0
Ramsey	1	0
Reinke	0	0
Richland Meadows	5	3
Rustic Valley	1	0
Twigwood	5	1
Westglen Village	3	2
Wildwood Pkwy	1	1
Windcliffe	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>17</b>