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Hello Elected Representatives,
Some thoughts about lowering the speed limits in town:

1. Streets are for cars. Everybody needs to realize that bicycles and especially pedestrians are interlopers into dangerous spaces. They need to be responsible for their own safety.
2. Gunnison already has lower speed limits in school zones and down town.
3. Slower speed limits will not ensure that the traffic will move slower. Making the limit lower will only foster disgust and a contempt for authority. There is enough willful disregard for the law as it is.
4. This is another manifestation of the "Dumbing Down" of America. Getting people -- especially children -- to presume that everybody else is looking out for their safety and welfare just encourages more reliance on government and is dangerous. It is manifestly clear that no government is capable of protecting everyone. Self-reliance is an American virtue that needs to be encouraged.

In conclusion: Leave the speed limits alone and teach the populace to respect the danger that is inherent with mixing vehicles and people in the same space. Don't de-fund the police. De-fund the promotion of and reliance on the nanny state.

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P.S. Along the same lines; it wouldn't hurt in the education of the populace to bring back the yield signs. Give motorists a choice. Reduce bureaucratic regulation in our lives.