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**Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

ITEM No 18

Subject Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-24 of the City Code to establish a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour on certain streets within the area bounded by 35th Street (West), Shoal Creek, Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway)(North), Windsor Road, and 24th Street (West), and amending Ordinance No 20061214-022 to correctly reflect boundary streets for Crestview Neighborhood in the caption of the ordinance

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$8400 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department for the installation of necessary signs

Fiscal Note There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required

**Additional Backup
Material**

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D Ordinance

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In 2005, the Legislature amended the Texas Transportation Code Section 545.356 to allow a city to set a speed limit lower than 30 miles per hour, but not less than 25 miles per hour, on a highway if

- the highway is not an officially designated or marked highway or road in the state highway system,
- the highway is 35 feet or less in width,
- vehicular parking is not prohibited on one or both sides of the street, and
- the highway has less than four lanes used for vehicular travel.

Texas Transportation Code Section 545.356 allows that the City Council may lower the speed limit along the residential streets in the area bounded by 35th Street (West), 35th Street Cutoff (West), Shoal Creek, Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway) (North), Windsor Road, and 24th Street (West). Most of the streets within the area are eligible under state law for a 25 mile per hour speed limit. The exceptions are Hartford Road between Windsor Road and Ethridge Avenue, Northwood Road between 200 feet west of Jefferson Street and Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway)(North), Jefferson Street between Hartford Road and Preston Avenue, and Jefferson Street between 34th Street (West) and 35th Street (West), because these streets are wider than 35 feet. They are not included in the recommended Code changes.

Staff recommends that Section 12-4-24 be amended to add the following streets to the list of streets with a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour

Belmont Parkway between Oakhurst Avenue and the end of Belmont Parkway, Belmont Circle between Belmont Parkway and the end of Belmont Circle, Beverly Road between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West), Bryker Drive between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West), Churchill Drive between 32nd Street (West) and 33rd Street (West), Claire Avenue between Gaston Avenue and Wooldridge Drive, Crawford Avenue between 35th Street Cutoff (West) and 35th Street (West), Ethridge Avenue between McCallum Drive and Jefferson Street, Funston Street between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West), Gaston Avenue between Shoal Creek Boulevard and Jefferson Street, Glenview Avenue between Mohle

Drive and 35th Street (West), Green Lanes between Wooldridge Drive and the end of Green Lanes, Happy Hollow Lane between 34th Street (West) and 35th Street (West), Hardouin Avenue between Wooldridge Drive and Harris Boulevard, Harris Boulevard between 32nd Street (West) and Windsor Road, Jarratt Avenue between Windsor Road and Gaston Avenue, Jefferson Street between Preston Avenue and 34th Street (West), Kerbey Lane between Westover Road and Northwood Road, Kerbey Lane between 29th Street (West) and 35th Street (West), Leigh Street between Harris Boulevard and the end of Leigh Street, McCallum Drive between Preston Avenue and Hardouin Avenue, Mills Avenue between 34th Street (West) and the end of Mills Avenue, Mohle Drive between Oakhurst Avenue and Oakmont Boulevard, Northwood Road between Wooldridge Drive and 200 feet west of Jefferson Street, Oakhurst Avenue between Westover Road and Northwood Road, Oakhurst Avenue between Mohle Drive and Belmont Parkway, Oakmont Boulevard between Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway) (North) East Frontage Road and 35th Street (West), Pemberton Place between Wooldridge Drive and the end of Pemberton Place, Preston Avenue between McCallum Drive and Jefferson Street, Shoal Creek Boulevard between the 2600 and 2700 blocks of Shoal Creek, Stark Place between Hardouin Avenue and Wooldridge Drive, Townes Lane between Hartford Road and the end of Townes Lane, Wathen Avenue between McCallum Drive and Harris Boulevard, Westover Road between Wooldridge Drive and Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway) (North) East Frontage Road, Wooldridge Drive between 29th Street (West) and Harris Boulevard, 29th Street (West) between Shoal Creek and Oakmont Boulevard, 30th Street (West) between Oakhurst Avenue and Funston Street, 31st Street (West) between Harris Boulevard and Kerbey Lane, 31st Street (West) between Jefferson Street and Bryker Drive, 32nd Street (West) between Funston Street and Harris Boulevard, 33rd Street (West) between Churchill Drive and Bryker Drive, 33rd Street (West) between Beverly Road and Funston Street, 34th Street (West) between Funston Street and 35th Street (West)

On December 14, 2006, Council approved Ordinance No 20061214-022 The caption of this ordinance incorrectly stated the boundary streets for the Crestview Neighborhood

The proposed amendment will correct the caption to read AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 12-4-24 OF THE CITY CODE TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD AREA BOUND BY ANDERSON LANE, LAMAR BOULEVARD, JUSTIN LANE, AND BURNET ROAD

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12-4-24 OF THE CITY CODE TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE AREA BOUNDED BY 35TH STREET (WEST), SHOAL CREEK BOULEVARD, LOOP 1 (MOPAC EXPRESSWAY)(NORTH), WINDSOR ROAD, AND 24TH STREET (WEST); AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20061214-022 TO CORRECTLY REFLECT BOUNDARY STREETS FOR CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE CAPTION OF THE ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Section 12-4-24 (*Maximum Speed of 25 Miles Per Hour*) of the City Code is amended to add the following streets

29th Street (West) between Shoal Creek and Oakmont Boulevard

30th Street (West) between Oakhurst Avenue and Funston Street

31st Street (West) between Harris Boulevard and Kerbey Lane

31st Street (West) between Jefferson Street and Bryker Drive

32nd Street (West) between Funston Street and Harris Boulevard

33rd Street (West) between Churchill Drive and Bryker Drive

33rd Street (West) between Beverly Road and Funston Street

34th Street (West) between Funston Street and 35th Street (West)

Belmont Parkway between Oakhurst Avenue and the end of Belmont Parkway

Belmont Circle between Belmont Parkway and the end of Belmont Circle

Beverly Road between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West)

Bryker Drive between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West)

1 Churchill Drive between 32nd Street (West) and 33rd Street (West)
2 Claire Avenue between Gaston Avenue and Wooldridge Drive
3 Crawford Avenue between 35th Street Cutoff (West) and 35th Street (West)
4 Ethridge Avenue between McCallum Drive and Jefferson Street
5 Funston Street between 30th Street (West) and 34th Street (West)
6 Gaston Avenue between Shoal Creek Boulevard and Jefferson Street
7 Glenview Avenue between Mohle Drive and 35th Street (West)
8 Green Lanes between Wooldridge Drive and the end of Green Lanes
9 Happy Hollow Lane between 34th Street (West) and 35th Street (West)
10 Hardoun Avenue between Wooldridge Drive and Harris Boulevard
11 Harris Boulevard between 32nd Street (West) and Windsor Road
12 Jarratt Avenue between Windsor Road and Gaston Avenue
13 Jefferson Street between Preston Avenue and 34th Street (West)
14 Kerbey Lane between Westover Road and Northwood Road
15 Kerbey Lane between 29th Street (West) and 35th Street (West)
16 Leigh Street between Harris Boulevard and the end of Leigh Street
17 McCallum Drive between Preston Avenue and Hardoun Avenue
18 Mills Avenue between 34th Street (West) and the end of Mills Avenue
19 Mohle Drive between Oakhurst Avenue and Oakmont Boulevard
20 Northwood Road between Wooldridge Drive and 200 feet west of Jefferson Street

1 Oakhurst Avenue between Westover Road and Northwood Road
2 Oakhurst Avenue between Mohle Drive and Belmont Parkway
3 Oakmont Boulevard between Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway) (North) East Frontage
4 Road and 35th Street (West)
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6 Pemberton Place between Wooldridge Drive and the end of Pemberton Place
7 Preston Avenue between McCallum Drive and Jefferson Street
8 Shoal Creek Boulevard between the 2600 and 2700 blocks of Shoal Creek
9 Stark Place between Hardouin Avenue and Wooldridge Drive
10 Townes Lane between Hartford Road and the end of Townes Lane
11 Wathen Avenue between McCallum Drive and Harris Boulevard
12 Westover Road between Wooldridge Drive and Loop 1 (MoPac Expressway)
13 (North) East Frontage Road
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15 Wooldridge Drive between 29th Street (West) and Harris Boulevard

16 **PART 2.** The City Council finds that the prima facie speed limit previously applicable to
17 the streets, or portions of streets, identified in Part 1 of this ordinance is unreasonable or
18 unsafe, and the reduction in speed limit on these streets will reduce the potential for
19 vehicle-pedestrian accidents
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21 **PART 3.** On December 14, 2006, Council approved Ordinance No 20061214-022 The
22 caption of this ordinance incorrectly stated the boundary streets for the Crestview
23 Neighborhood The caption of Ordinance No 20061214-022 is amended to read
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26 ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR ON CERTAIN
27 STREETS WITHIN THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD AREA BOUND BY
28 ANDERSON LANE, LAMAR BOULEVARD, JUSTIN LANE, AND BURNET ROAD
29 [~~HH-35 EAST FRONTAGE ROAD, EAST 11TH STREET, ROSEWOOD AVENUE,~~
30 ~~NORTHWESTERN AVENUE, AND EAST 7TH STREET]~~
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1 **PART 4.** The amendments made in this ordinance shall be incorporated in alphabetical
2 order and the existing subsections renumbered accordingly

3 **PART 5.** This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2007
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5 **PASSED AND APPROVED**
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9 _____, 2007 § _____
10 Will Wynn
11 Mayor
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14 **APPROVED:** _____
15 David Allan Smith
16 City Attorney
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18 **ATTEST:** _____
19 Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk