

AGENDA



Thursday, June 7, 2007

Public Works

Item No. 35

RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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 bounded by William Cannon Drive to the north, Congress Avenue to the east, Dittmar Road to the south, and South 1st Street to the west.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$6,750 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department for installation of necessary signs.

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

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In 2005, the Legislature amended the Texas Transportation Code 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.

House Bill 87 allows that the City Council may lower the speed limit along certain streets in the area bounded by William Cannon Drive, Congress Avenue, Dittmar Road, and South 1st Street to 25 miles per hour. Most of the streets within the area are eligible under state law for a 25-mile per hour speed limit. The exceptions are Bill Hughes Road from Meadow Lea Drive to William Cannon Drive, Clearday Drive from Lunar Drive to Congress Avenue, Lunar Drive from William Cannon Drive to Dittmar Road, Meadow Lea Drive from South 1st Street to the end of Meadow Lea Drive, Thelma Drive from South 1st Street to Lunar Drive, and Dittmar Road from South 1st Street to 135 feet east of Loganberry Drive because these streets are wider than 35 feet or vehicular parking is prohibited on one or both sides of the street. 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 of 25 miles per hour.

Blackberry Drive from Meadow Lea Drive to Broken Arrow Lane.
 Broken Arrow Lane from Blackberry Drive to Meadow Lea Drive.
 Cloudberry Circle from Elderberry Drive (south intersection) to Elderberry Drive (north intersection).
 Cloudview Drive from Shadywood Drive to Congress Avenue (South).
 Dittmar Road (West) from 135 feet east of Loganberry Drive to Congress Avenue (South).
 Elderberry Cove from Elderberry Drive to the end of Elderberry Cove.
 Elderberry Drive from 1st Street (South) to Dittmar Road (West).
 Ferndale Circle from Blackberry Drive (south intersection) to Blackberry Drive (north intersection).
 Ferndale Cove from Ferndale Circle to the end of Ferndale Cove.
 Greycloud Drive from Bill Hughes Road to Thelma Drive.
 Kimberly Drive from Wishing Well Drive (north intersection) to Wishing Well Drive (east intersection).
 Loganberry Court from Loganberry Drive to the end of Loganberry Court.

Loganberry Drive from Dittmar Road (West) to Meadow Lea Drive.
Lyric Drive from Wishing Well Drive to Kimberly Drive.
Meteor Drive from Star Drive to Congress Avenue (South).
Moonmont Drive from Cloudview Drive to Clearday Drive.
Mulberry Drive from 1st Street (South) to Bill Hughes Road.
Olguin Street from Congress Avenue (South) to the end of Olguin Street.
Shadywood Drive from Greycloud Drive to the end of Shadywood Drive.
Skynook Drive from Cloudview Drive to William Cannon Drive (West).
Star Drive from Clearday Drive to Meteor Drive.
Strawberry Cove from Teaberry Drive to the end of Strawberry Cove.
Tawny Circle from Tawny Drive to the end of Tawny Circle.
Tawny Drive from Shadywood Drive to Lunar Drive.
Teaberry Circle from Teaberry Drive to the end of Teaberry Circle.
Teaberry Drive from Mulberry Drive to Bill Hughes Road.
Wishing Well Drive from Lunar Drive to Meadow Lea Drive.