

Thursday, December 13, 2007

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 42

Subject: Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to add a portion of Colony Loop to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour during certain times for students attending Overton Elementary School; and provide for emergency passage.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$400 for the installation of signs available in the 2007-2008 Child Safety Fund of the Public Works Department.

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

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In order to modify or alter the existing speed limit of a street, the Texas Traffic Laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. Traffic volumes, traffic speeds, and pedestrian volumes and patterns were evaluated by the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department to determine what, if any, modifications could be made to improve the safety of the students attending Overton Elementary School, which opened in the fall of 2007. As a result of this investigation the Transportation Division recommends adding the following to the City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (20 Mile Per Hour School Zones):

Amendment to Code Section 12-4-64(D) (20 MILE PER HOUR SCHOOL ZONES):

Add: Colony Loop Drive from Ritchie Street to 550 feet north of Ritchie Street (Overton Elementary School).