

## AGENDA



Thursday, May 8, 2008

## Public Works

Item No. 32

## RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

**Subject:** Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to establish a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour on certain streets bounded by East Stassney Lane, East William Cannon Drive, I.H. 35 (South) East Frontage Road, and South Pleasant Valley Road.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$6,750 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 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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Texas Transportation Code Section 545.356 allows 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, and
- the Council finds that the previous prima facie speed limit is unreasonable or unsafe.

The City of Austin Public Works Department recommends the 25 mile per hour speed limit for certain streets in the area bounded by East Stassney Lane, East William Cannon Drive, I.H. 35 (South) East Frontage Road, and South Pleasant Valley Road. The lower speed limit will reduce the potential for vehicle-pedestrian accidents. Most of the streets within the area are eligible for a 25-mile per hour speed limit. The exceptions are Bluff Springs Road from William Cannon Drive (East) to Nelms Drive, Dove Springs Drive from Stassney Lane (East) to Pleasant Valley Road (South), Nelms Drive from I.H. 35 (South) East Frontage Road to the end of Nelms Drive, Palo Blanco Lane from Stassney Lane (East) to Pleasant Valley Road (South), Pino Lane from Palo Blanco Lane to Dove Springs Drive, Sneed Cove from Nelms Drive to the end of Sneed Cove, Turnstone Drive from Wing Feather Drive to Pleasant Valley Road, Village Lane from Southwest Drive to Pleasant Valley Road (South), because these streets are wider than 35 feet. None of these exceptions are included in the recommended Code changes. The ordinance includes a finding that the previous prima facie speed limit is unreasonable or unsafe, in accordance with the statute.

Staff recommends that Section 12-4-64(D) be amended to add the following streets to the list of streets with a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour.

Aviary Cove from Nesting Way to the end of Aviary Cove.

Bending Trail from Dove Drive (west intersection) to Dove Drive (east intersection).

Blackmule Drive from Dove Springs Drive to Wagon Bend Trail.

Brassiewood Drive from Pleasant Valley Road (South) to Creek Bend Drive.

Broken Spoke Trail from Wagon Crossing Path to Wagon Bend.

Brushy Ridge Cove from Brushy Ridge Drive to the end of Brushy Ridge Cove.

Brushy Ridge Drive from William Cannon Drive (East) (west intersection) to William Cannon Drive (East) (east intersection).

Candletree Lane from Hammermill Run (west intersection) to Hammermill Run (east intersection).

Claystone Cove from Leatherleaf Trail to the end of Claystone Cove.

Covered Wagon Pass from Wagon Crossing Path to Broken Spoke Trail.

Creek Bend Drive from Dove Springs Drive to Pleasant Valley Road (South).

Creekbranch Cove from Leatherleaf Trail to the end of Creekbranch Cove.

Creekwood Place from Creek Bend Drive to the end of Creekwood Place.

Domenica Lane from Dove Creek Drive to the end of Domenica Lane.

Dove Court from Dove Springs Drive to the end of Dove Court.

Dove Creek Drive from Dove Springs Drive to Domenica Lane/Las Maderas Lane.

Dove Drive from Stassney Lane (East) to Pino Lane.

Dove Springs Circle from Dove Springs Drive to the end of Dove Springs Circle.

Dovehill Drive from Wagon Crossing Path (west intersection) to Pino Lane.

Dovewood Drive from Pino Lane to Dovehill Drive.

Dovemeadow Drive from Dove Drive to Turnstone Drive.

Encinal Cove from Palo Blanco Lane to Pino Lane.

Flicker Cove from Flicker Lane to the end of Flicker Cove.

Flicker Lane from Softwood Drive to Dove Springs Drive.

Hammermill Run from Palo Blanco Lane to Pleasant Valley Road (South).

Kumquat Court from Stassney Lane (East) to the end of Kumquat Court.

Las Maderas Lane from Dove Creek Drive to the end of Las Maderas Lane.

Leatherleaf Trail from Hammermill Run to Pleasant Valley Road (South).

Limerock Hollow from Leatherleaf Trail to the end of Limerock Hollow.

Nesting Way from Dove Springs Drive to Pleasant Valley Road (South).

Palo Blanco Court from Palo Blanco Lane to the end of Palo Blanco Court.

Palo Verde Drive from Encinal Cove to Pino Lane.

Peppertree Parkway from Stassney Lane (East) to the end of Peppertree Parkway.

Softwood Drive from Turnstone Drive to Creek Bend Drive.

Southwest Drive from Village Lane to the end of Southwest Drive.

Southeast Drive from Village Lane to the end of Southeast Drive.

Teewood Drive from Creek Bend Drive (west intersection) to Creek Bend Drive (east intersection).

Turnstone Drive from Wing Feather Drive to Dove Springs Drive.

Turtle Dove Drive from Turnstone Drive to Dove Springs Drive.

Village Court (West) from Village Lane to the end of Village Court (West).

Village Court (East) from Village Lane to the end of Village Court (East).

Village Lane from Southwest Drive to Palo Blanco Lane.

Wagon Bend from Wagon Crossing Path to Wagon Bend Trail.

Wagon Bend Trail from Wagon Bend to Dove Springs Drive.

Wagon Crossing Path from Wagon Bend to Dove Springs Drive (east intersection).

Wing Feather Drive from Turnstone Drive to Dove Springs Drive.