

Thursday, November 20, 2008

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 39

Subject: Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to add a portion of Wilson Parke Avenue and Vista Parke Drive to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour during certain times for students attending Grandview Hills Elementary School ; and provide for emergency passage.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$24,000 for the installation of signs is available in the 2008-2009 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 Grandview Hills Elementary School, which opened in the fall of 2008. As a result of this investigation the Transportation Division recommends adding the following to the City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (25 Mile Per Hour School Zones):

Amendment to Code Section 12-4-64(D) (25 MILE PER HOUR SCHOOL ZONES):

Add: Wilson Parke Avenue from 350 feet east of Vista Parke Drive to 350 feet west of Vista Parke Drive (Grandview Hills Elementary School).

Vista Parke Drive from Wilson Parke Avenue to 650 feet south of Wilson Parke Avenue (Grandview Hills Elementary School).