Thursday, December 10, 2009

Transportation RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 38

Subject: Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to add a portion of Chicon Street to the table of speed limits as having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour during certain times for students attending Garza High School, and provide for emergency passage.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$8000 for the installation of signs is available in the 2009-2010 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 Department and the Public Works Department to determine if modifications were appropriate to improve the safety of the students attending Garza High School. As a result of this investigation, the Traffic Engineering Division recommends installing a school zone on Chicon Street.

Amendment to Code Section 12-4-64(D) (Table of Speed Limits):

Add: Chicon Street from East 16th Street to East 17th Street Alley. (Garza High School)