



**Establish Speed Limits  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.:** 28  
**AGENDA DATE:** Thu 01/15/2004  
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**SUBJECT:** Approve an Ordinance amending Chapter 12-4 of the City Code by: (1) amending Section 12-4-43 by adding a portion of Avery Ranch Boulevard to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 45 miles per hour; (2) amending Section 12-4-63 by adding portions of Brentwood Street and Yates Avenue to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour in a school zone; and (3) amending Section 12-4-63 by removing the subsection relating to the Ruth Isley School on Shoal Creek Boulevard from the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour in school zone.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding in the amount of \$ 2200 is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Operating Budget of the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department for the installation and/or removal of the appropriate speed limit signs.

**FISCAL NOTE:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**REQUESTING** Transportation, Planning **DIRECTOR'S**  
**DEPARTMENT:** and Sustainability **AUTHORIZATION:** Austan Librach

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sylvia Arzola, 974-6448

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

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**Amendment to Code Section 12-4-43 (45 MPH Speed Limit)**

In order to modify or alter the prima facie speed limit of a street, the Texas Traffic Laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. The investigation was conducted by the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department in accordance with the procedures specified in the Texas Procedures for Establishing Speed Zones, 1997 for Avery Ranch Blvd. As a result of this investigation, the Transportation Division recommends the following amendment to Section 12-4-43:

Add: Avery Ranch Boulevard from Parmer Lane (F.M. 734) to O'Connor Drive.

**Amendments to Code Section 12-4-63 (20 MPH School Zone)**

The Transportation Division of the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department has completed an investigation for both Yates Avenue and Brentwood Street in the vicinity of Brentwood Elementary School. Traffic volumes, traffic speeds, and pedestrian volumes and patterns were evaluated in order to determine what, if any modifications could be made to improve the safety of the students attending Brentwood Elementary School. As a result of this investigation, Transportation Division recommends the following amendments to Section 12-4-63:

Add: Yates Avenue from Brentwood Street to Vallejo Street to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour school zone (Brentwood Elementary School).

Add: Brentwood Street from 300 feet east of Yates to 300 feet west of Yates to the list of streets having a



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maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour school zone (Brentwood Elementary School).

Due to the closure of the Ruth Isley School, the Transportation Division of the Transportation, Planning & Sustainability Department is recommending the removal of the previously installed reduced speed school zone on Shoal Creek Boulevard.

Repeal the subsection that reads: Shoal Creek Boulevard from Lamar Boulevard (North) to 650 feet east of Lamar Boulevard (North) (Isley School).

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12-4-43 OF THE CITY CODE TO ADD A PORTION OF AVERY RANCH BOULEVARD TO THE LIST OF STREETS HAVING A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 45 MILES PER HOUR; AMENDING SECTION 12-4-63 BY ADDING PORTIONS OF BRENTWOOD STREET AND YATES AVENUE TO THE LIST OF STREETS HAVING A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 20 MILES PER HOUR; AMENDING SECTION 12-4-63 BY REMOVING THE PORTION OF SHOAL CREEK BOULEVARD RELATED TO THE RUTH ISLEY SCHOOL FROM THE LIST OF STREETS HAVING A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 20 MILES PER HOUR.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** Section 12-4-43 of the City Code is amended to add:

Avery Ranch Boulevard from Parmer Lane (F.M. 734) to O'Connor Drive.

**PART 2.** Section 12-4-63 of the City Code is amended to add:

Brentwood Street from 300 feet east of Yates Avenue to 300 feet west of Yates Avenue.

Yates Avenue from Brentwood Street to Vallejo Street.

**PART 3.** Section 12-4-63 of the City Code is amended to repeal:

Shoal Creek Boulevard from Lamar Boulevard (North) to 650 feet east of Lamar Boulevard (North) (Isley School).

**PART 4.** The amendments made in this ordinance shall be incorporated in the Code in alphabetical order and the existing subsections renumbered accordingly.

**PART 5.** This ordinance takes effect on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

\_\_\_\_\_, 2004

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Will Wynn  
Mayor

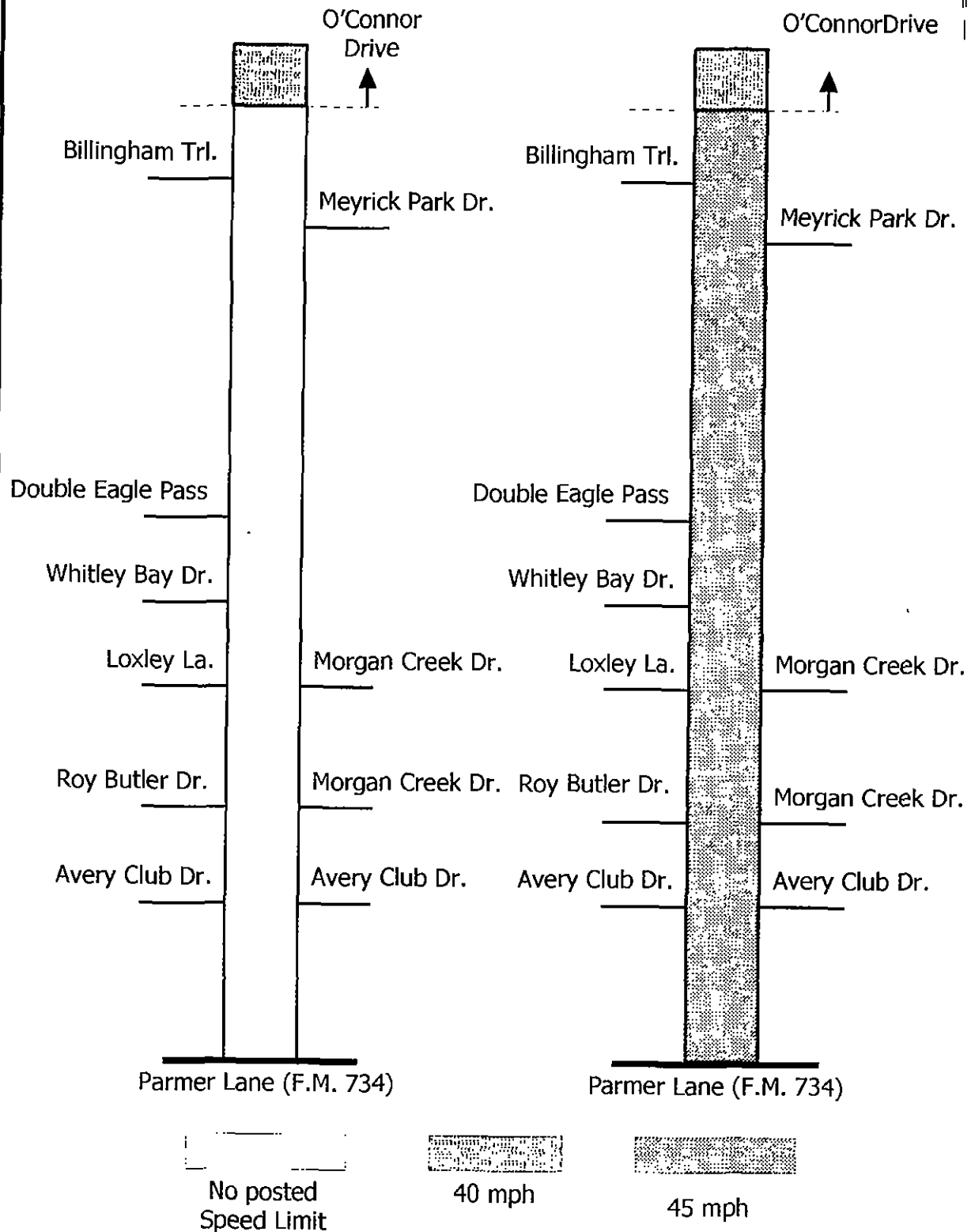
**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
David Allan Smith  
City Attorney

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Shirley A. Brown  
City Clerk

EXISTING

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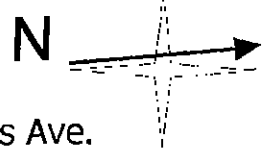
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Transportation, Planning And Sustainability Department  
Speed Zone Map  
Avery Ranch Boulevard (East of Parmer Lane)

**Existing**

**Proposed**



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**30 mph**

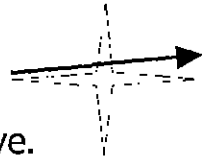
**20 mph  
School Zone**

Transportation, Planning And Sustainability Department  
Speed Zone Map  
**Brentwood Street School Zone**

**Existing**

**Proposed**

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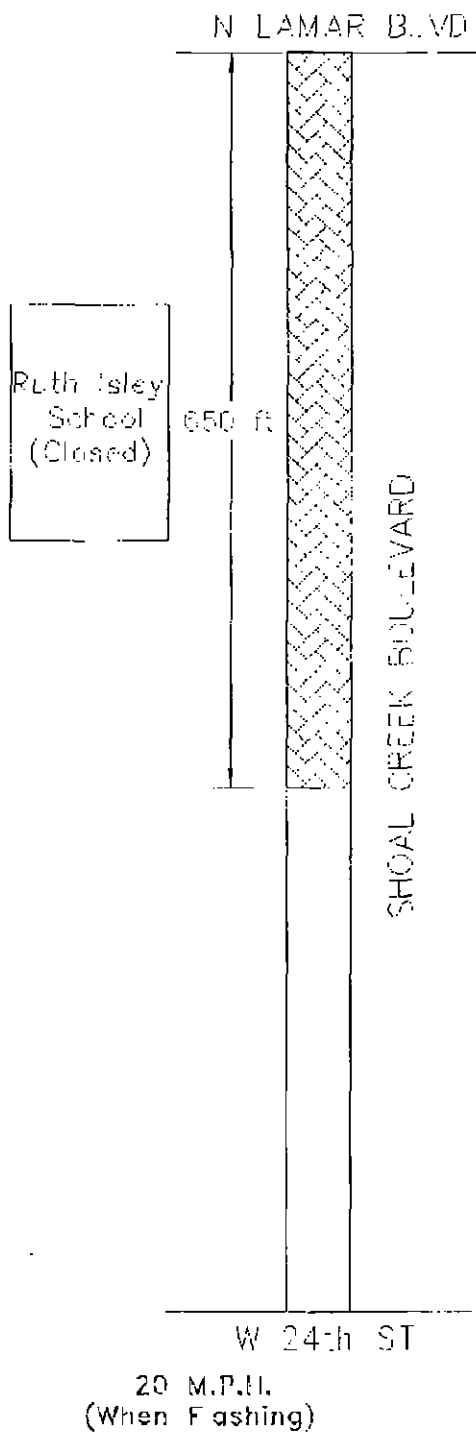
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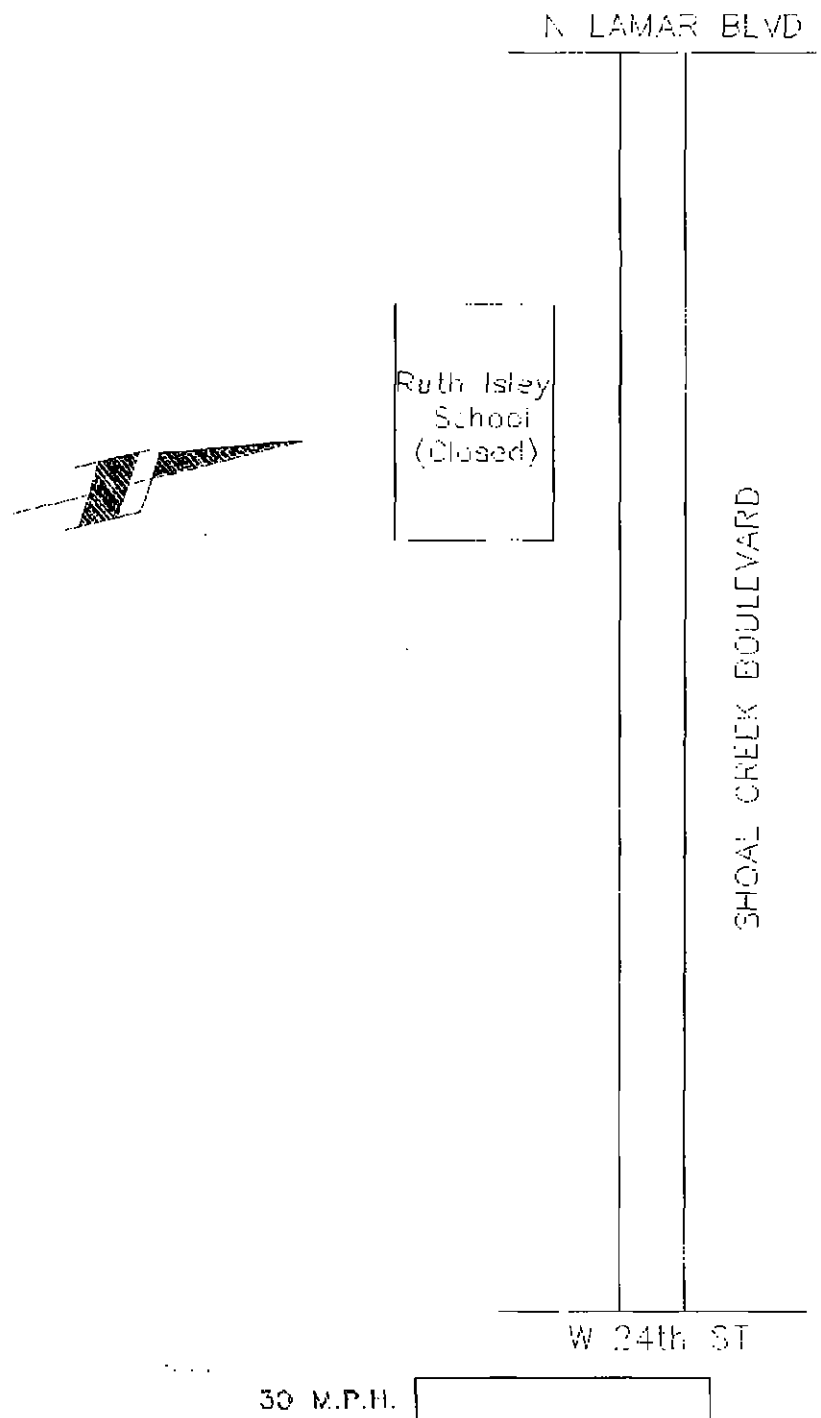
**20 mph  
School Zone**

Transportation, Planning And Sustainability Department  
Speed Zone Map  
**Brentwood Street School Zone**

## EXISTING



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TRANSPORTATION, PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT  
SPEED ZONE CHANGE MAP  
SHOAL CREEK BOULEVARD