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Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 17

Subject Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-24 of the City Code to establish a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour on residential streets within the area bounded by IH-35 (North) East Frontage Road, 11th Street (East), Rosewood Avenue, Northwestern Avenue, and 7th Street (East)

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$8,600 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department for the installation of necessary signs

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

Additional Backup Material

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Ordinance

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In 2005, the Legislature amended the Texas Transportation Code to allow 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.

The Guadalupe Neighborhood Association has requested that the City Council lower the speed limit along the residential streets in the area bounded by IH-35 (North) East Frontage Road, 11th Street (East), Rosewood Avenue, Northwestern Avenue, and 7th Street (East). Most of the streets within the area are eligible under state law for a 25 mile per hour speed limit. The exceptions are Waller Street between 7th Street (East) and 11th Street (East), Comal Street between 7th Street (East) and 11th Street (East), Chicon Street between 7th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue, Rosewood Avenue between 11th Street (East) and Northwestern Avenue, 11th Street (East) between Chicon Street and IH-35 (North) East Frontage Road, Webberville Road between Prospect Avenue and Northwestern Avenue, and 7th Street (East) between IH-35 (North) East Frontage Road and Chicon Street because these streets are wider than 35 feet, 8th Street (East) from IH-35 (North) East Frontage Road to Embassy Drive, and Embassy Drive from 8th Street (East) to 9th Street (East) due to parking restrictions. They are not included in the recommended Code changes.

Staff recommends that Section 12-4-24 be amended to add the following streets to the list of streets with a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour: 8th Street (East) between Comal Street and Chalmers Avenue, 8th Street (East) from San Marcos Street to Navasota Street, 8th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue, 9th Street (East) between Chalmers Avenue and end of 9th Street (East), 9th Street (East) from Navasota Street to end of 9th Street (East), 9th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue, 9 ½ Street (East) between Concho Street and Comal Street, 10th Street (East) to the end of 10th Street (East), east and west of Chalmers Avenue, 10th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue, 10th Street (East) from Navasota Street to San Marcos Street, 11th Street (East) from Chicon Street to Northwestern Avenue, Angelina Street between 11th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue, Bryan Street between Northwestern Avenue and Swenson Avenue, Chalmers Avenue

between 7th Street (East) and 11th Street (East), College Row between Chicon Street and Lincoln Street, Concho Street between 7th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue, Cornell Street between Poquito Street and Chicon Street, Coronado Street between Webberville Road and Northwestern Avenue, Gregory Street between Salina Street and Concho Street, Hamilton Avenue between Poquito Street and Chicon Street, Harvard Street between Walter Street and 9th Street (East), Harvard Street between 8th Street (East) and Webberville Road, Inks Avenue from Navasota Street to 8th Street (East), Lawson Lane between Gregory Street and Rosewood Avenue, Leona Street between Gregory Street and Rosewood Avenue, Lincoln Street between 8th Street (East) and Peoples Street, Lydia Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East), Mill Street between 8th Street (East) and 10th Street (East), Morelos Street between Webberville Road and Northwestern Avenue, Navasota Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East), Northwestern Avenue between Rosewood Avenue and Morelos Street, Peoples Street between Poquito Street and end of Peoples Street, Poquito Street between Rosewood Avenue and 11th Street (East), Prospect Avenue between Poquito Street and Webberville Road, Salina Street between 11th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue, San Marcos Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East), San Saba Street between 10th Street (East) and Webberville Road, Swenson Avenue between Bryan Street and Webberville Road, Tillotson Avenue between Chicon Street and Poquito Street, Walter Street between Bryan Street and Northwestern Avenue, Wheelless Street from 10th Street (East) to 11th Street (East), Yale Street between Poquito Street and end of Yale Street

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 12-4-24 OF THE CITY CODE TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR WITHIN THE AREA BOUND BY IH-35 EAST FRONTAGE ROAD, EAST 11TH STREET, ROSEWOOD AVENUE, NORTHWESTERN AVENUE, AND EAST 7TH STREET.

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

PART 1. Section 12-4-24 (*Maximum Speed of 25 Miles Per Hour*) of the City Code is amended to add the following streets

8th Street (East) between Comal Street and Chalmers Avenue

8th Street (East) from San Marcos Street to Navasota Street

8th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue

9th Street (East) between Chalmers Avenue and end of 9th Street (East)

9th Street (East) from Navasota Street to end of 9th Street (East)

9th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue

9 1/2 Street (East) between Concho Street and Comal Street

10th Street (East) to the end of 10th Street (East), east and west of Chalmers Avenue

10th Street (East) between Chicon Street and Northwestern Avenue

10th Street (East) from Navasota Street to San Marcos Street

11th Street (East) from Chicon Street to Northwestern Avenue

Angelina Street between 11th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue

Bryan Street between Northwestern Avenue and Swenson Avenue

Chalmers Avenue between 7th Street (East) and 11th Street (East)

1 College Row between Chicon Street and Lincoln Street

2 Concho Street between 7th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue

3 Cornell Street between Poquito Street and Chicon Street

4 Coronado Street between Webberville Road and Northwestern Avenue

5 Gregory Street between Salina Street and Concho Street

6 Hamilton Avenue between Poquito Street and Chicon Street

7 Harvard Street between Walter Street and 9th Street (East)

8 Harvard Street between 8th Street (East) and Webberville Road

9 Inks Avenue from Navasota Street to 8th (East) Street

10 Lawson Lane between Gregory Street and Rosewood Avenue

11 Leona Street between Gregory Street and Rosewood Avenue

12 Lincoln Street between 8th Street (East) and Peoples Street

13 Lydia Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East)

14 Mill Street between 8th Street (East) and 10th Street (East)

15 Morelos Street between Webberville Road and Northwestern Avenue

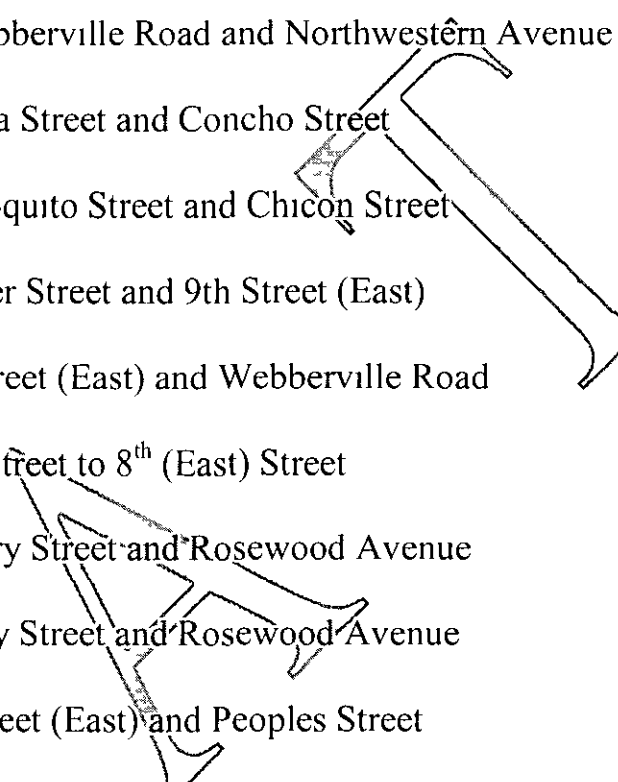
16 Navasota Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East)

17 Northwestern Avenue between Rosewood Avenue and Morelos Street

18 Peoples Street between Poquito Street and end of Peoples Street

19 Poquito Street between Rosewood Avenue and 11th Street (East)

20 Prospect Avenue between Poquito Street and Webberville Road



1 Salina Street between 11th Street (East) and Rosewood Avenue

2 San Marcos Street from 7th Street (East) to 11th Street (East)

3 San Saba Street between 10th Street (East) and Webberville Road

4 Swenson Avenue between Bryan Street and Webberville Road

5 Tillotson Avenue between Chicon Street and Poquito Street

6 Walter Street between Bryan Street and Northwestern Avenue

7 Wheelless Street from 10th Street (East) to 11th Street (East)

8 Yale Street between Poquito Street and end of Yale Street

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10 **PART 2.** The City Council finds that the prima facie speed limit previously applicable to
11 the streets, or portions of streets, identified in Part 1 of this ordinance is unreasonable or
12 unsafe, and the reduction in speed limit on these streets will reduce the potential for
13 vehicle-pedestrian accidents

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15 **PART 3.** The amendments made in this ordinance shall be incorporated in alphabetical
16 order and the existing subsections renumbered accordingly

17 **PART 4.** This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2006

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19 **PASSED AND APPROVED**

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23 _____, 2006

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24 Will Wynn
25 Mayor

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28 **APPROVED:** _____
29 David Allan Smith
30 City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk