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AGENDA



Thursday, December 14, 2006

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Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 22

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 Crestview Neighborhood area bounded by Anderson Lane to the north, Lamar Boulevard to the east, Justin Lane to the south, and Burnet Road to the west.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$3,630 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 Section 545.356 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 Public Works staff recommends that the City Council lower the speed limit along the residential streets in the Crestview Neighborhood, which is generally bounded by Anderson Lane to the north, Burnet Road to the west, Lamar Boulevard to the east, and Justin Lane to the south to 25 miles per hour. Most of the streets within the area are eligible under state law for a 25-mile per hour speed limit. The exceptions are Justin Lane, Northwest Drive, Rutgers Avenue, St. Joseph Boulevard, Grover Avenue, Woodrow Avenue, Arroyo Seco, because these streets are either wider than 35 feet or parking is prohibited. They are not included in the recommended Code changes.

Add:

Aggie Lane from Grover Avenue to Hardy Drive, Banyon Street from Lamar Boulevard to end of Banyon Street, Barbara Street from Woodrow Avenue to end of Barbara Street, Burnet Lane from Burnet Road (south intersection) to Burnet Road (north intersection), Cullen Avenue from Reese Lane to Burnet Road, Dartmouth Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue, Duke Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue, Gault Street from Morrow Street to Anderson Lane, Hardy Circle from Hardy Drive to end of Hardy Circle, Hardy Drive from Burbank Street to Anderson Lane, Lazy Lane from Anderson Lane to Robalo Road, Madison Avenue from Grover Avenue to Hardy Drive, Morrow Street from Lamar Boulevard to Mullen Drive, Mullen Drive from Anderson Lane to Morrow Street, Pasadena Drive from Grover Avenue to Burnet Road, Piedmont Avenue from Grover Avenue to Woodrow Avenue, Piedmont Avenue from Arroyo Seco to Hardy Drive, Princeton Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue, Reese Lane from Justin Lane to Grover Avenue, Richcreek Road from Grover Avenue to Burnet Road, Robalo Road from Northwest Drive to end of Robalo Road, Ryan Drive from Justin Lane to end of Ryan Drive, St. Cecelia Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road, St. Johns Avenue from St. Johns Circle to Hardy Drive,

St. Johns Circle from St. Johns Avenue to Ryan Drive, St. Louis Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road, St. Phillip Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road, Stobaugh Street from Lamar Boulevard Service Road to Gault Street, Taulbee Lane from Lamar Boulevard Service Road to Gault Street, Tisdale Drive from Morrow Street to Wooten Drive, Watson Street from Anderson Lane to Morrow Street, Yates Avenue from Brentwood Street to Dartmouth Avenue.

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 ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD 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 read:

Burnet Lane from Burnet Road (south intersection) to Burnet Road (north intersection) [~~Justin Lane~~].

Hardy Drive from Burbank Street to Anderson Lane [~~Justin Lane~~].

Tisdale Drive from Morrow Street [~~Anderson Lane~~] to Wooten Drive.

Yates Avenue from Brentwood Street to Dartmouth Avenue [~~Justin Lane~~].

PART 2. Section 12-4-24 (*Maximum Speed of 25 Miles Per Hour*) of the City Code is amended to add the following streets:

Aggie Lane from Grover Avenue to Hardy Drive.

Banyon Street from Lamar Boulevard to end of Banyon Street.

Barbara Street from Woodrow Avenue to end of Barbara Street.

Cullen Avenue from Reese Lane to Burnet Road.

Dartmouth Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue.

Duke Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue.

Gault Street from Morrow Street to Anderson Lane.

1 Hardy Circle from Hardy Drive to end of Hardy Circle.
2 Lazy Lane from Anderson Lane to Robalo Road.
3 Madison Avenue from Grover Avenue to Hardy Drive.
4 Morrow Street from Lamar Boulevard to Mullen Drive.
5 Mullen Drive from Anderson Lane to Morrow Street.
6 Pasadena Drive from Grover Avenue to Burnet Road.
7 Piedmont Avenue from Grover Avenue to Woodrow Avenue.
8 Piedmont Avenue from Arroyo Seco to Hardy Drive.
9 Princeton Avenue from Woodrow Avenue to Rutgers Avenue.
10 Reese Lane from Justin Lane to Grover Avenue.
11 Richcreek Road from Grover Avenue to Burnet Road.
12 Robalo Road from Northwest Drive to end of Robalo Road.
13 Ryan Drive from Justin Lane to end of Ryan Drive.
14 St. Cecelia Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road.
15 St. Johns Avenue from St. Johns Circle to Hardy Drive.
16 St. Johns Circle from St. Johns Avenue to Ryan Drive.
17 St. Louis Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road.
18 St. Phillip Street from St. Joseph Boulevard to Richcreek Road.
19 Stobaugh Street from Lamar Boulevard Service Road (Southbound) to Gault
20 Street.
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1 Taulbee Lane from Lamar Boulevard Service Road (Southbound) to Gault Street.

2 Watson Street from Anderson Lane to Morrow Street.

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

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

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

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12 **PASSED AND APPROVED**

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16 _____, 2006 § _____
17 Will Wynn
18 Mayor

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21 **APPROVED:** _____
22 David Allan Smith
23 City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk