

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2392, Agenda Item #: 108.

7/29/2021

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 12-4-64(D) to establish a maximum speed limit of 40 miles per hour for a segment of Loyola Lane from Ed Bluestein Boulevard to Johnny Morris Road, and establishing a maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour for a segment of Loyola Lane from Johnny Morris Road to Sendero Hills Parkway.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation Department

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

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Additional Backup Information:

In order to modify or alter the existing speed limit of a street, Texas Traffic Laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. An investigation of Loyola Lane was conducted by the Transportation Engineering Division of the Austin Transportation Department in accordance with the procedures specified in the <u>Texas Procedures for Establishing Speed Zones</u>, 2006. The Transportation Engineering Division recommends the following amendment to City Code Section 12-4-64 (D) Table of Speed Limits:

Delete:

Loyola Lane from Johnny Morris Road to 1,000 feet east of Sendero Hills Parkway. (35 MPH Speed Limit).

Add:

Loyola Lane from Ed Bluestein Boulevard to 400 feet west of Johnny Morris Road. (40 MPH Speed Limit).

Loyola Lane from 400 feet west of Johnny Morris Road to 1,000 feet east of Sendero Hills Parkway. (35 MPH Speed Limit).

The Austin Transportation Department recommends establishing a speed limit of 40 MPH on Loyola Lane east of Johnny Morris Road with a 35 MPH speed limit transition in advance of the 20 MPH school zone speed limit. The 35 MPH speed limit transition in advance of the school zone is recommended since engineering practices for changes in speed limits are not to exceed a 15 MPH differential. Currently there is no speed limit established for Loyola Lane between Ed Bluestein Boulevard and Johnny Morris Road. There are no speed limit signs posted on Loyola Lane for eastbound traffic and a 45 MPH speed limit sign is posted for the westbound direction. The recommendation will correct this inconsistency between directions of travel and will also reflect a speed limit that is more appropriate adjacent to a school zone.

Strategic Outcome(s):

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Mobility; Safety