



**RCA  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 8  
AGENDA DATE: Thu 05/26/2005  
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**SUBJECT:** Approve an ordinance to add a new Section 12-4-95 to the City Code to establish a 55 mile per hour construction zone speed limit on Interstate Highway 35 near its intersection with Yager Lane.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** All necessary speed limit signage will be posted by the Texas Department of Transportation.

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

**REQUESTING** Public Works  
**DEPARTMENT:**

**DIRECTOR'S  
AUTHORIZATION:** Sondra Creighton

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Marsh, 974-7021; Laura Bohl, 974-7064

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

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

**PURCHASING:** N/A

**MBE / WBE:** N/A

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In order to modify the existing speed limit of a street, the Texas Traffic Laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. The investigation was performed by the Texas Department of Transportation in accordance with the procedures specified in the Texas Procedures for Establishing Speed Zones, 1997, (Section 3, Construction Regulatory and Advisory Speeds).

During construction of improvements to IH 35 North at Yager Lane, the Texas Department of Transportation has requested that the City of Austin reduce the speed limit from 65 miles per hour to 55 miles per hour. This speed reduction is necessary to permit safe travel through the project limits due to constrained traffic control geometry.

The proposed amendment will add a new section 12-4-95 to the City Code to establish a 55 mile per hour construction zone speed limit on Interstate Highway 35 North, from 1,950 feet south to 2,050 feet north of the existing centerline of the Yager Lane Bridge over Interstate Highway 35.

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12-4 OF THE CITY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 12-4-95 (55 MILE PER HOUR CONSTRUCTION ZONE SPEED LIMITS) TO ESTABLISH A 55 MILE PER HOUR CONSTRUCTION ZONE SPEED LIMIT ON INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 35 NEAR YAGER LANE.**

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

**PART 1.** Chapter 12-4 (*Speed Limits*) of the City Code is amended to add Section 12-4-95 (*55 Mile Per Hour Construction Zones*) to read:

**§ 12-4-95 55 MILE PER HOUR CONSTRUCTION ZONES.**

During posted road construction, maintenance, or repair, the maximum prima facie speed limit is 55 miles per hour on the following street:

- (1) Interstate 35 North, from 1,950 feet south to 2,050 feet north of the existing centerline of the Yager Lane Bridge over Interstate Highway 35.

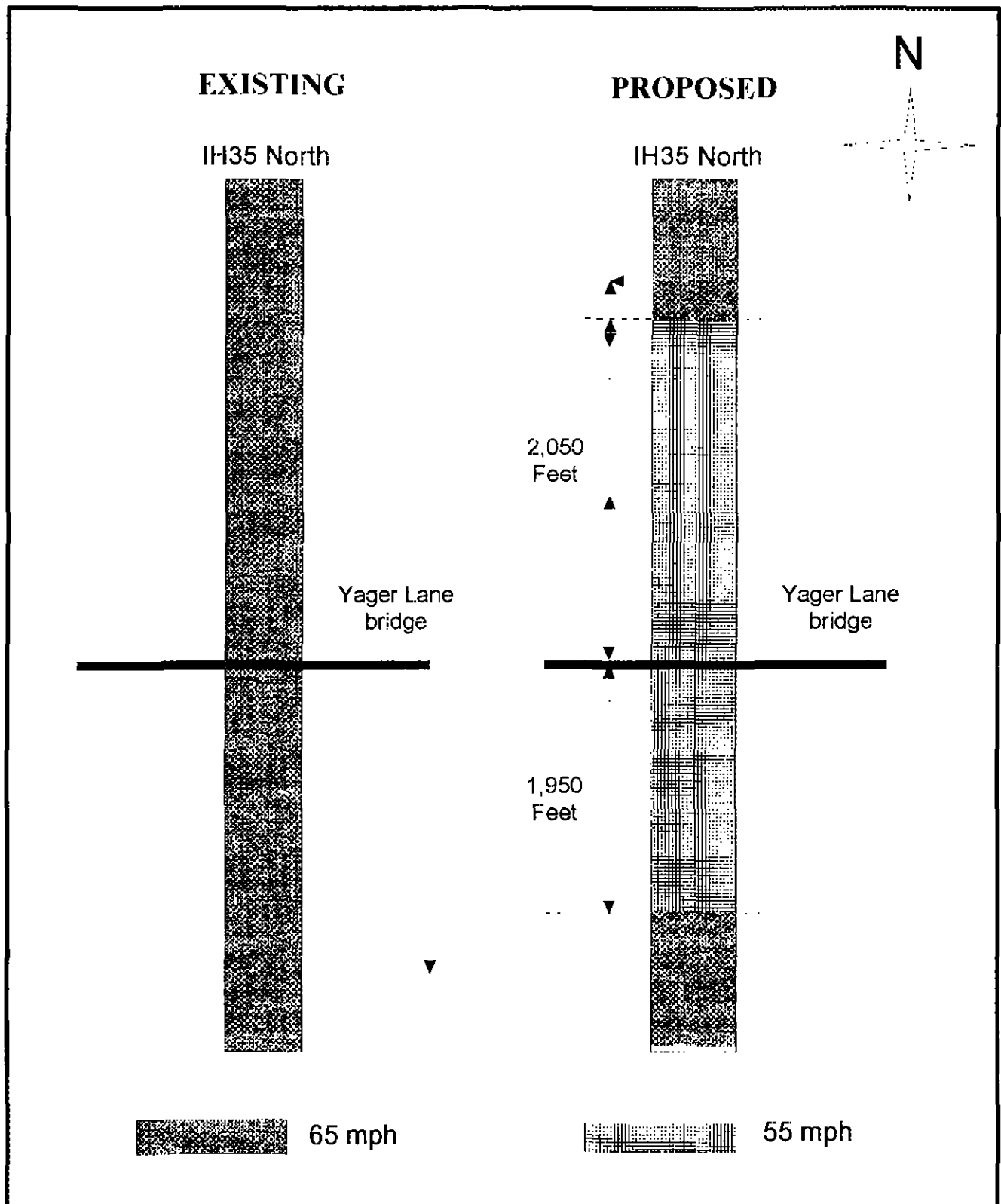
**PART 2.** This ordinance takes effect on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

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Will Wynn  
Mayor

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

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



Public Works Department  
Temporary Construction Speed Zone Map  
IH 35 North