



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1268, Agenda Item #: 35.

3/26/2026

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (Table of Speed Limits) to establish a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour on segments of Elkhorn Mountain Trail from 57 feet north of Buckshot Trail to 37 feet south of Tantara Court, 20 miles per hour on Oro Valley Trail from 33 feet north of Modena Trail to Elkhorn Mountain Trail, and 20 miles per hour on Pheasant Rock Road from 104 feet north of Modena Trail to Elkhorn Mountain Trail for students attending Pond Springs Elementary School. Funding: This item has no fiscal impact.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation and Public Works

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. The Transportation Engineering Division of Austin Transportation and Public Works (ATPW) investigated existing school zones for students attending Pond Springs Elementary School, but not in City Code Section 12-4-64 (D) (Table of Speed Limits), to determine if they are appropriate.

Several years ago, and prior to annexation of this area by the City, Williamson County implemented school zones of 20 miles per hour during certain times on Elkhorn Mountain Trail, Oro Valley Trail, and Pheasant Rock Road.

ATPW reviewed the existing school zones and determined them to be appropriate. Therefore, we recommend adding the following amendments to City Code Section 12-4-64 (D) Table of Speed limits to reflect existing field conditions:

Add: Elkhorn Mountain Trail from Wilderness Drive from 57 feet north of Buckshot Trail to 37 feet south of Tantara Court (Pond Springs Elementary School). (20 MPH) (SZ)

Add: Oro Valley Trail from 33 feet north of Modena Trail to Elkhorn Mountain Trail (Pond Springs Elementary School). (20 MPH) (SZ)

Add: Pheasant Rock Road from 104 feet north of Modena Trail to Elkhorn Mountain Trail (Pond Springs Elementary School). (20 MPH) (SZ)