



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-1429, **Agenda Item #:** 89.

8/28/2025

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 12-4-64 (Speed Limits) to establish a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour on a section of Farmhaven Road from Kirkwynd Drive to 70 feet east of Winterborne Court. Funding: \$500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Transportation and Public Works Department's Operating Budget.

Lead Department

Transportation and Public Works Department

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Transportation and Public Works Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

November 21, 2002 - Ordinance No. 20021121-043 amending Section 16-4-15 Speed Limits, of the City Code by adding Farmhaven Road from 70 feet east of Winterborne Drive to 350 feet west of Harris Branch Parkway to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 mph during certain times for students attending Bluebonnet Trails Elementary School was approved on a 6-0 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Goodman absent.

April 24, 2003 - Ordinance No. 20030424-060, amending City code, Section 16-4-15, Speed Limits, by adding Farmhaven Road, from 350 feet west of Harris Branch Parkway to 894 feet west of Harris Branch Parkway, to the list of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 mph during certain times for students attending Bluebonnet Trails Elementary School, was approved on a 6-0 vote with Mayor Garcia absent.

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Additional Backup Information:

In order to modify or alter the existing speed limit of a street, Texas Traffic Laws require an engineering investigation be performed. The Transportation Engineering Division of the Transportation and Public Works Department conducted an engineering investigation of the existing reduced school speed zone on Farmhaven Road.

Since the installation of a reduced speed school zone of 20 miles per hour on Farmhaven Road in 2003, pedestrian crossing islands were constructed on Farmhaven Road at the intersection with Kirkwynd Drive, at the intersection with the south driveway of Bluebonnet Elementary School, and at the intersection with the north driveway of Bluebonnet Trail Elementary School. The crossings at Kirkwynd Drive and at the south driveway of the school are outside of the limits of the existing reduced speed school zone.

Based on TPW's engineering investigation, we recommend that the existing reduced speed school zone of 20 miles per hour on Farmhaven Road be extended to Kirkwynd Drive to include the new pedestrian crossings by

adding the following amendment to City Code Section 12-4-64 (D) Table of Speed Limits.

Delete: Farmhaven Road from 70 feet east of Winterborne Court to 894 feet west of Harris Branch Parkway (Bluebonnet Trail Elementary School). (20 MPH) (SZ)

Add: Farmhaven Road from Kirkwynd Drive to 70 feet east of Winterborne Court (Bluebonnet Trail Elementary School). (20 MPH) (SZ)