

**ORDINANCE NO. 20130228-028**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 12-4-64(D) TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT OF 55 MILES PER HOUR ON TWO SEGMENTS OF MCKINNEY FALLS PARKWAY.**

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

**PART 1.** City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (*Table of Speed Limits*) is amended to add the following:

McKinney Falls Parkway from 3,500 feet south of Shaw Lane to 5,700 feet south of Shaw Lane. (55 mph)

McKinney Falls Parkway from Colton Bluff Springs Road (north segment) to 540 feet south of Colton Bluff Springs Road (south segment). (55 mph)

**PART 3.** The amendments made in this ordinance are based on the results of a traffic engineering investigation, or "speed study," attached as Exhibit "A".

**PART 4.** The amendments made in this ordinance shall be incorporated in alphabetical order and the existing entries reordered accordingly.

**PART 5.** This ordinance takes effect on March 11, 2013.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

\_\_\_\_\_ February 28 \_\_\_\_\_, 2013      §  
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   \_\_\_\_\_  
   Leo Leffingwell  
   Mayor

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
   Karen M. Kennard  
   City Attorney

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
   Jannette S. Goodall  
   City Clerk

# EXHIBIT A

## TRAVIS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES INTRA-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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December 18, 2012

**TO:** Steven M. Manilla, P.E.  
County Executive, Transportation and Natural Resources

**THROUGH:** Donald W. Ward, P.E. *DW*  
Division Director, Road Maintenance

**FROM:** Scott R. Lambert, P.E.  
Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Traffic Regulations

I have completed engineering and traffic investigations on the following roads within Travis County:

- **MC KINNEY FALLS PARKWAY**

Based on such investigations I recommend the traffic regulations listed in the attached Order.

No written requests for a public hearing concerning these matters were received within seven days of publishing the notice of the proposed traffic regulations.

These recommendations are made in accordance with duly delegated authority from the Travis County Commissioners' Court under Chapter 251 of the Texas Transportation Code.

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File 4115

Mc Kinney Falls Parkway

Attachment

STATE OF TEXAS §  
§  
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

ORDER NO. 121227A

WHEREAS, engineering and traffic investigations have been made on the below named Travis County roadways by the Road Maintenance Division within the Transportation and Natural Resources Department, which has recommended certain restrictive traffic speed zones and traffic regulations in Precinct Four; and

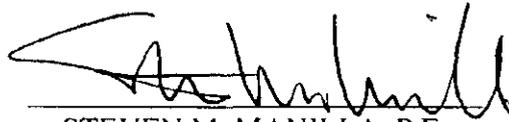
WHEREAS, public hearings were not requested within seven days of the advance notice of the proposed traffic regulations; then

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED that the following maximum prima facie speed limits and traffic regulations on the following County roadways are hereby established or altered to conform to the following lists and that appropriate signs giving notice thereof shall be approved for installation.

**PRECINCT FOUR:**

55 MPH                      MC KINNEY FALLS PARKWAY FROM SHAW RD TO THAXTON ROAD.

EXECUTED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF December 2012.



STEVEN M. MANILLA, P.E.  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
PURSUANT TO DULY DELEGATED AUTHORITY FROM THE  
TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
UNDER CHAPTER 251 OF THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE

### SPEED STUDY

**Location:** McKinney Falls Pkwy **Pct.:** 4

**Date of Previous Investigation:** 11-08-95 (Speed Reg.) **Atlas:** F09505

**Study Limits:** From: Thaxton Rd

To: Shaw Lane

**Existing Speed Limit:** 50 MPH (Regulation dated 11-08-95)

**85-Percentile Speed:** Northbound: 58.4 MPH, 57.8 MPH, 61.3 MPH, 57.7 MPH

Southbound: 55.0 MPH, 62.7 MPH, 56.9 MPH, 60.1 MPH

**Road Surface (width & condition):** HMAC / Divided 2 X 24' / good condition

**Shoulder (width & condition):** No shoulder / Concrete curb & gutter / good condition

**Alignment:** Horiz. (%in curve): 10% Vert. (>6%): 10-20%

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<b>Sight Distance:</b>	Good		X				Poor
<b>Roadside Development:</b>	Light	X					Heavy
<b>Roadside Culture:</b>	Rural			X			Urban
<b>Roadside Friction:</b>	Light	X					Heavy

**Safe Speeds for Curves / Hazards:** 40-45 MPH / at curves, cross street intersections.

**Parking / Pedestrians:** No vehicles observed parked curbside; No pedestrians observed.

**Accident History:** 10 accidents found on file for the previous three year history.

**Comments:** Speed Limit based on 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds, road conditions and environmental characteristics. This road has undergone significant construction improvements at the south connection from William Cannon Drive to Thaxton Rd: from a two lane rural road, to a four lane divided arterial roadway with painted & raised island medians, and concrete sidewalks on both sides. Construction began on May 10<sup>th</sup> and was completed on Sept 11<sup>th</sup>. There were three accidents before construction began. Six accidents during the construction phase; and one accident after construction completion.

**Investigator:** Scott R. Lambert / Date of Study: 8/21/12

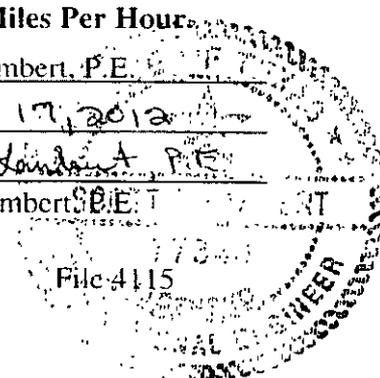
Based on the analysis of this information, it is my engineering judgment that the **Speed Limit for McKinney Falls Pkwy from Shaw Rd to Thaxton Rd should be 55 Miles Per Hour.**

Study by: Scott R. Lambert, P.E.

Date: December 17, 2012

Traffic Engineer: Scott R. Lambert, P.E.

Scott R. Lambert, P.E.



PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

I solemnly swear that the attached ad was published on the following date(s):

August 31, 2012

In *The Austin Chronicle*, a newspaper published in Austin, Travis County, Texas, and of general circulation in Travis County, Texas, and Williamson County, Texas, for service of citation or notice publication, and the date(s) of said newspaper bore in which the notice was published correspond to the following issue numbers:

Volume 32, No. 1

A copy of the ad(s) as published, clipped from the newspaper, is (are) attached hereto.

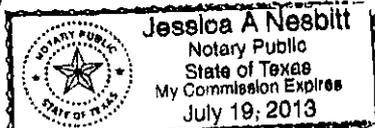
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The Austin Chronicle

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COUNTY OF TRAVIS

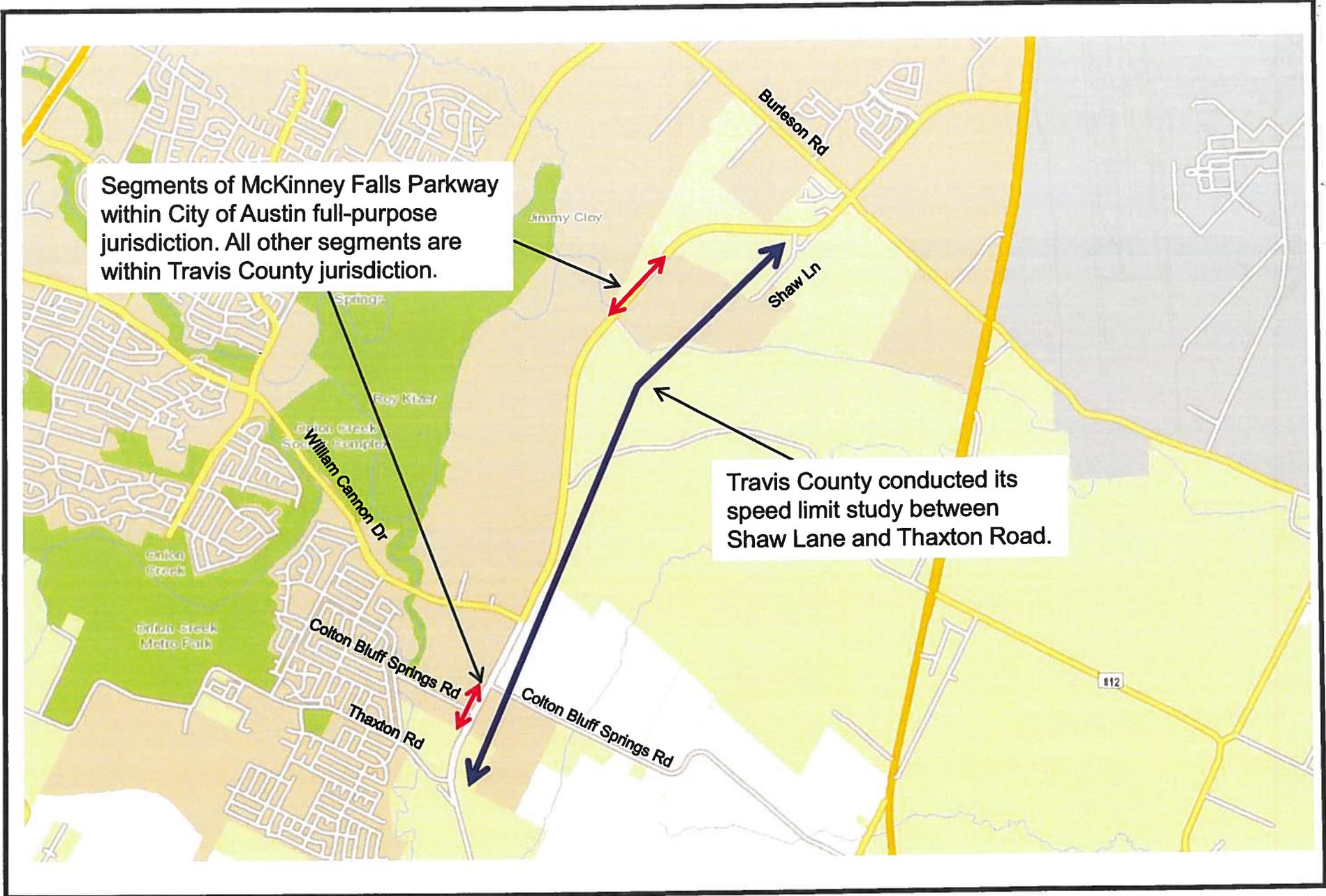
Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
7 day of September 2012  
by D. Van Wagner.

NOTICE OF NEW TRAFFIC REGULATIONS Notice is hereby given that Travis County, Texas, proposes the approval of the following traffic regulation: PRECINCT FOUR, REVISE MAXIMUM PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT ON MCKINNEY FALLS PKWY. Any resident of Travis County, Texas, aggrieved by this proposed action may make written request for a mandatory public hearing. Such request must be addressed to the Transportation and Natural Resources Department, Travis County, Texas, PO Box 1748, Austin, Texas, 78767, and must be received within seven (7) days of this notice.

*Jessica A Nesbitt*  
Notary Public (signature)  
State of Texas



Printed name and Seal



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## McKinney Falls Parkway Location and Jurisdictional Map

