



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3327, **Agenda Item #:** 39.

11/15/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 12-4-64(D) to modify the speed limit on Center Lake Drive within the City's jurisdiction.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation Department

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance No. 20220616-085 to lower and establish speed limits on arterial streets outside of the Urban Core was approved on a vote of 11-0.

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Additional Backup Information:

In order to establish, modify, or alter the existing speed limit of a street, Texas traffic laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) completed an engineering study in May 2022 to recommend speed modifications for Level 3 and 4 streets as classified in the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP) outside of the Urban Core of the City of Austin, defined by streets outside of the area bounded by US 183, SH 71/US 290, and Loop 1 (MoPac). ATD reviewed national best practice on setting speed limits using the approach of a single, comprehensive engineering study to develop recommended speed limit modifications for applicable streets rather than individual engineering studies for each street.

On June 16, 2022, City Council approved ATD's recommended speed limit modifications on Level 3 and 4 streets, including Center Lake Drive, with Ordinance No. 20220616-085. However, the extents of Center Lake Drive inadvertently included the portion between Howard Lane (East) and McCallen Pass, which is a private street where the City of Austin does not have jurisdiction to set a speed limit.

This Request for Council Action amends City Code Chapter 12-4 (Speed Limits) to correct the speed limit on Center Lake Drive on the public portion of the street between Parmer Lane (East) and McCallen Pass.

Amendment to Code Section 12-4-64 (D) (Table of Speed Limits)

Delete: Center Lake Drive from Howard Lane (East) to Parmer Lane (East) (40 mph)

Add: Center Lake Drive from Parmer Lane (East) to McCallen Pass (40 mph)

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Safety

