City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation Services Division

DCM: Cassey Ogden

DATE: August 19, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton amending chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", "Article III Speed of Vehicles", Section 18-73 "Speed Limits On Certain Roads And Highways", "School Zones", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton, to change the speed limits of certain parts of McCormick Street, Westwood Drive, and Mercedes Road in the Vicinity of Borman Elementary School; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty clause; providing for publication; providing codification; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

On July 2, 2025, staff held a public meeting with the Denia Park Neighborhood. During the meeting, community members expressed their safety concerns regarding high-speed traffic near Borman Elementary School. After thorough observation, staff recommended adding three additional school zone speed limit signs to the area surrounding the school, in addition to the two existing signs.

Staff proposed placing the new school zone speed limit signs 300 feet north of the following intersections: McCormick Street and Parvin Street, Westwood Drive and Parvin Street, and Mercedes Road and Parvin Street, as illustrated on the map in Exhibit 2. The speed limit will be enforced during school pick-up and drop-off hours, from 7 AM to 8 AM and from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM to reduce the speed limit from 30 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour.

Staff has updated the tables within Chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Article III "Speed of Vehicles", Section 18-73 "Speed Limits on Certain Roads and Highways" in accordance with the results of TxDOT approvals and communications with DISD.

OPTIONS

- 1. Recommend approval of proposes speed limit changes, and School Zones adjustments.
- 2. Provided staff with additional directions on the proposed changes.
- 3. Reject the proposed changes.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the updated tables within Chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Article III "Speed of Vehicles", Section 18-73 "Speed Limits on Certain Roads and Highways" as presented.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

The School Zone Speed Limit signs will be installed 30 days after the City Council approves the ordinance. Additionally, the Denton Police Department will begin enforcing the no parking rules on the designated sections 30 days after the installation of the signs.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Materials for this project will be funded through the Traffic Operations general operating budget.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 - Area Map Exhibit 3 - Ordinance

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