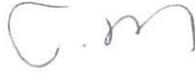


CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Engineering Department, Traffic Division
AGENDA DATE: February 19, 2008
CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Ted Marquez, 541-4035 
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 2

SUBJECT: ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.88 (SCHEDULES), SECTION 12.88.150 (SCHEDULE XIV, SPEED LIMITS), SUBSECTION "R" (SPEED LIMITS ON THE NORTH-SOUTH FREEWAY), SUBPARAGRAPH 4 (ON THE FRONTAGE ROADS), OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE, TO AMEND THE SPEED LIMITS ON THE NORTH-SOUTH FREEWAY FRONTAGE ROAD, THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.84.010 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

This ordinance is being amended at the request of the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT). After a study they conducted on the northbound frontage road between MP 7.54 to MP 8.37, they performed a traffic study where the 85 percentile climbed from 50 mph to 55 mph. TxDot is requesting that the City Ordinance be amended to reflect this study. It is therefore, the recommendation of the Engineering Department, Traffic Division that this ordinance be amended.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: 
(Example: if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____

DATE: _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.150 (Schedule XIV, Speed Limits), Subsection "R"(Speed limits on the North-South Freeway), Subparagraph 4 (On the frontage roads), of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

R. Speed limits on the North-South Freeway

4. On the frontage roads

- a. 40 m.p.h. on Gateway Boulevard North from Yandell Drive to Pershing Drive,
- b. 40 m.p.h. on Gateway Boulevard South from Pershing Drive to Yandell Drive,
- c. 50 m.p.h. on Gateway Boulevard South from the Van Buren Overpass to Pershing Drive,

2. That title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.150 (Schedule XIV, Speed Limits), Subsection "R"(Speed limits on the North-South Freeway), Subparagraph 4 (On the frontage roads), of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended to **add** the following:

R. Speed limits on the North-South Freeway

4. On the frontage road

- I. 55 m.p.h. on Gateway Boulevard North from Pershing Drive to the Van Buren Overpass,

3. Except as expressly herein amended, Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.150 (Schedule XIV, Speed Limits), Subsection "R" (Speed limits on the North-South Freeway), of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2008.

THE CITY OF EL PASO:

ATTEST:

John F. Cook, Mayor

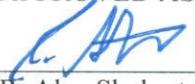
Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Cynthia Osborn
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



R. Alan Shubert, P.E., C.B.O.
City Engineer



Existing 50mph speed limit

New 55mph speed limit

Existing 40mph speed limit

Existing 40mph speed limit

Van Buren
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Van Buren
Overpass

Cassidy

Tompkins

Dyer

Altura

Pershing

Gateway South

Gateway North

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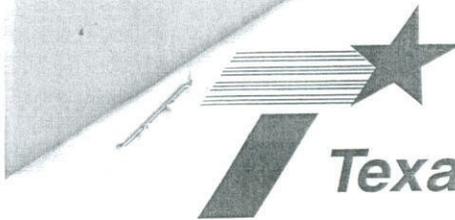
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Texas Department of Transportation

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October 10, 2007

Ms. Patricia Adauto
Deputy CAO for Building & Planning Services
City of El Paso
Two Civic Center Plaza
El Paso, TX 79901-1196
Attention: Ted Marquez, P.E.

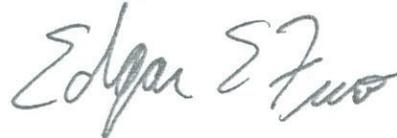
Subject: US 54 (North/South Freeway) Northbound Frontage Road

Dear Ms. Adauto:

Attached is the strip map segment for US 54 (North/South Freeway) Northbound Frontage Road. A study was conducted on the northbound frontage road between MP 7.54 to MP 8.37; based on the 85th percentile the speed limit increased from 50 mph to 55 mph. At this time, TxDOT is requesting the City of El Paso to approve a city ordinance for the new proposed change.

Please contact Lorena Soriano at (915) 790-4385 if you have any questions or concerns on this matter.

Sincerely,



Edgar E. Fino, P.E.
Transportation Engineer Supervisor

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Enclosures

