



Speed Limit Ordinance Amendments

City Council – November 18, 2025

BACKGROUND

- Texas Transportation Code 545.352. Prima Facie Speed Limits establishes 30mph as the reasonable speed limit for urban districts.
- Speeds above or below must be passed in an ordinance. Speed limits can be altered based on an engineering or traffic study.
- The Public Works Department seeks to update City ordinance [Sec. 53-254. - Schedule V, increase of state speed limit in certain zones](#) and [Sec. 53-255. - Schedule VI, Decrease of state law maximum speed.](#)



BACKGROUND

- **Staples Street (FM2444) – Saratoga Boulevard to South City Limits (CR47)**
 - State- Maintained Roadway
 - Recommendations based on TXDOT Study
- **Whitecap Boulevard – Park Road 22(SPID) to Windward Drive**
 - Recommendations Based on Public Works Traffic Study



STAPLES STREET



Existing Ordinance

- 50 MPH – Saratoga Blvd to 250' North of King Trail Dr
- 55 MPH – King Trail Dr to Gilead Rd



Proposed Ordinance

- 45 MPH – Saratoga Blvd to King Tr Saratoga Blvd to 250' North of King Trail Dr
- 65 MPH – Gilead Rd to CR 47



WHITECAP BOULEVARD



Existing Ordinance

- 40 MPH – South Padre Island Dr (PR22) to Windward Dr



Proposed Ordinance

- 35 MPH – South Padre Island Dr (PR22) to Windward Dr





Thank you!