ITEM #:	**25**
DATE:	**11-28-23**
DEPT:	**Legal**

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: **ORDINANCE UPDATING SPEED LIMITS FOR OAKWOOD ROAD.**

BACKGROUND:

On October 24, 2023, City Council directed the City Attorney to draft an ordinance establishing a 35 MPH speed limit on Oakwood Rd. from University Blvd to Timberland Rd, and 40 MPH from Timberland Rd to State Ave. Legal has worked with Public Works to draft an ordinance for Oakwood Road, which has been attached to this document. Also, for reference the original Council Action Form has been provided.

Because these speed limit changes are related to the engineering design of the recently reconstructed Oakwood Road, it is crucial to update the posted speed limits as soon as possible. This will ensure that the desired driving speeds are established when the street is reopened to the public.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve first reading of an ordinance establishing a 35 MPH speed limit on Oakwood Road from University Boulevard to Timberland Road, and 40 MPH from Timberland Road to State Avenue.

Staff requests that the City Council suspend the rules and approve the ordinance on second and third readings at this time. This will help support the pedestrian and bicycle design changes made with the recent road project.

2. Approve first reading of an ordinance establishing other speed limits on Oakwood Road from University Boulevard to Timberland Road and from Timberland Road to State Avenue.

3. Do not approve the ordinance.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Establishing these modified speed limits will help support the pedestrian and bicycle design changes made with the recent road construction project. With the road reopening to traffic, it is important to establish posted limits that match the design speeds in a timely manner. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.

ATTACHMENT(S):
26-Oakwood Rd Speed Limits.pdf
DRAFT ORDINANCE Oakwood Rd speed limit changes.pdf