



# **Lowering Prima Facie Speed Limits in the City and Improving Safety on Neighborhood Streets**

Public Works

Item 08

# COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST



## Background

- Submitted January 29, 2025 by Council District 7
- Supported by Council Districts 10, 5, 2 and 9

## Request

- Lowering Prima Facie Speed Limits in the City and Improving Safety on Neighborhood Streets from 30 MPH to 25 MPH

## Supporting Plans & Policies

- Vision Zero Action Plan
- Complete Streets Policy
- Bike Network Plan

# CURRENT EFFORTS



## Public Works Department (PWD)

- Under Texas Transportation Code Section 545.356, the prima facie speed limit in urban areas is set at 30 mph.
  - (b-1) permits municipalities to establish a lower speed limit, not less than 25 mph, if the governing body determines that the current speed is unreasonable or unsafe for specific roadways
  - (b-2) applies only to two-lane, undivided highways
  - (c ) is effective when the governing body erects signs giving notice of the new limit
  - Municipalities are required to publish a report to DOT and City's Website yearly containing a comparison of traffic data for previous years, the number of traffic citations issued for speed limit violations, and the number of warning citations issued for speed limit violations.

# Staff Recommendation



Staff recommends referring this CCR to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.