# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

CONSENT AGENDA

TEM NO. 1

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E., Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT:** 

Request for Traffic Code Update

DATE:

September 15, 2005

#### **SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This ordinance amends the Traffic Control Device Schedule established by Chapter 19, Section 68 of City Code to include the establishment of new traffic control devices and deletes previous entries from the Schedule in conflict with the current regulations.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This Ordinance is a quarterly request to update the Traffic Control Device Schedule established in Chapter 19, Section 68 of the Code of Ordinances. This schedule reflects both warranted and unwarranted devices. In order to have effective enforcement, any traffic control device needs to be present in this schedule. Warranted devices are those that a traffic engineering study has deemed are appropriate and all design guidelines set forth have been met. Unwarranted devices are those in which city staff has been directed to install even though a traffic engineering study has determined that the device is not needed or does not meet all criteria for installation. The last update to this section was submitted February 17, 2005. Specific Schedules (Titles) included in the ordinance request are:

One-Way at All Times Locations – (1 additional location) [Schedule B(a)]

Cross Street Stop Locations – (16 additional locations) [Schedule C(b)]

Cross Street Yield Locations – (2 additional locations) [Schedule D(a)]

Maximum Speed Limits – (5 additional locations) [Schedule E(a)]

Parking Prohibited At All Times – (6 additional locations) [Schedule G(a)]

Parking Prohibited 7-9 am & 2-4 pm – (5 additional locations)[Schedule H(i)] School Speed Zones (Mid-block) – (2 additional locations) [Schedule M(a)]

School Speed Zones (Intersection) – (5 additional locations) [Schedule M(a)]

Commercial Loading Zone 30 Minute Limit (2 additional location) [Schedule P(a)]

Passenger Loading Zone – (1 additional locations) [Schedule P(i)]

### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

Approval of this ordinance will enable consistent enforcement of on-street traffic regulations and is a continuation of Council policy to maintain efficient and safe traffic flow.

# **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This item does not have an additional financial impact.

## **COORDINATION**

This request for Ordinance has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the San Antonio Police Department.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.

Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E.

Director of Public Works

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#### AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE SCHEDULES FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 19-68(B) OF THE CITY CODE TO REFLECT CUSTOMIZED SCHOOL ZONE TIMES OF OPERATION AND SPEED LIMITS **AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 19-251(A) AND (B); ESTABLISHING** NEW SCHEDULES FOR SPECIFIED SPEED LIMITS AND THE USE OF FLASHING BEACONS TO INDICATE SCHOOL ZONE **SCHOOL** DISTRICT ADOPTING CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULES FOR SCHOOL ZONES; INCLUDING CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO AND DELETIONS FROM THE OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE SCHEDULES FOR SCHOOL ZONES: AUTHORIZING THE PERMANENT INSTALLATION OF SAID DEVICES; DECLARING THEM AS OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; **DECLARING VIOLATIONS OF THESE TRAFFIC** REGULATIONS, EXCEPT THE CIVIL PARKING VIOLATIONS, TO BE MISDEMEANOR CRIMES PUNISHABLE BY A FINE AS ESTABLISHED IN CITY CODE SECTION 1-5, AND DECLARING VIOLATIONS OF THE CIVIL PARKING VIOLATIONS TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS OF CITY CODE SECTION 19-225; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DIRECTING PUBLICATION.

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WHEREAS, Ordinance number 99654, passed and approved September 2, 2004 amended the City Code to allow for differing speeds and customized times for school zones to more accurately reflect the needs and requirements of locations and individual schools for which the zones exist; and

WHEREAS, not all existing school zones necessitate the use of customized times, flashing beacons, or differing speeds from the existing twenty miles per hour, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. during school days; and

WHEREAS, new schedules are required for the Traffic Control Device Schedules for the City of San Antonio in order to reflect the different school zones within San Antonio; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

**SECTION 1.** Schedules M(a) and M(b) of Traffic Control Device Schedules for the City of San Antonio are hereby amended to by adding the language that is underlined (added) as follows:

M(a) School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Mid-Block), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only

M(b) School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Intersections), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only

**SECTION 2.** The following schedules are hereby established as part of the Traffic Control Device Schedules for the City of San Antonio:

M(c), School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Mid-block), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only;

M(d), School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Intersections), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only;

M(e), School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Mid-Block), flashing beacon, specified speed;

M(f), School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Intersection), flashing beacon, specified speed;

SECTION 3. School zones established under Schedules M(e) and M(f) shall be in effect and have beacons flashing that operate based on the start and end times. The City Traffic Engineer shall determine the most appropriate time schedule for each location. Early release days and other days of operation shall be established by the official calendars or schedules for the respective school districts and shall be adopted under Schedules M(e) and M(f) by ordinance for each school year. Such a typical school day shall take precedence over the time schedule determinations of the City Traffic Engineer, and the flashing beacons will turn on one hour before and fifteen minutes after the start bell and fifteen minutes before and one hour after the release bell. The schedules or calendars of private schools may be used for determining days of operation, early release days and appropriate time schedules for school zones. For purposes of Schedules M(e) and M(f), the private school name shall be listed under the heading of District.

SECTION 4. For the 2005-2006 school year, Alamo Heights Independent School District (AHISD), East Central Independent School District (ECISD), Edgewood Independent School District (EISD), Harlandale Independent School District (HISD), Judson Independent School District (JISD), North East Independent School District (NEISD), Northside Independent School District NISD), San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD), Southside Independent School District (SISD) and Southwest Independent School Districts (SWISD) calendars are hereby adopted for the effective days of the flashing

beacons under Schedules M(e) and M(f) of the Traffic Control Device Schedules for the City of San Antonio as shown on the respective calendars attached as Attachment "A".

**SECTION 5.** The Table Inset for the Schedule of Devices established in Section 19-68(b) of the City Code is hereby amended to by adding the language that is underlined (added) as follows:

Schedule	Code Section Establishing	Description
М	19-251	"School speed zones"
		(a) School crosswalk (mid-block), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only
		(b) School crosswalk (intersections), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only
		(c) School crosswalk (mid-block), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only
		(d) School crosswalk (intersections), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only
		(e) School crosswalk (mid-block), flashing beacon, specified speed
		(f) School crosswalk (intersections), flashing beacon, specified speed

**SECTION 6.** The Traffic Control Device Schedules enacted through Section 19-68, of the City Code of the City of San Antonio, are hereby amended and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to:

(a) include in Schedule M(c): entitled "School Speed Zones, School crosswalk (midblock), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only "the following locations:

Street	Speed

(b) include in Schedule M(d): entitled "School Speed Zones, School crosswalk (intersections), specified speed, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days only" the following locations:

Street	<u>Speed</u>
Sonterra Boulevard, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of	
Ronald Reagan Drive	25

(c) <u>include</u> in Schedule M(e): entitled "School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Mid-Block), flashing beacon, specified speed" the following locations:

<u>Location</u> Bitters, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 2923 Bitters	<u>District</u> NEISD	Speed 20	Flash Time 6:45-9:15 AM 2:00-4:45 PM
Braun Road 5760, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 5760 Braun Road	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Bulverde Parkway, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 3839 Canyon Parkway	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
Canyon Parkway, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 3839 Canyon Parkway	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
Chase Hill Boulevard 15707, 150 south and 320 feet north of 15707 Chase Hill Boulevard north property line	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Crescent Oaks, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of 21045 Crescent Oaks	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
Dugas, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of School driveway of 600 Ellison Drive North	NISD	20	8:00- 9:15AM 3:45- 5:45PM
Ellison Drive North 600, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of school driveway	NISD	20	8:00- 9:15AM 3:45- 5:45PM
Evans, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 1500 Evans	NEISD	20	7:45-8:45 AM 3:15-4:15 PM
Fox Creek, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 3839 Canyon Parkway	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
Hemphill Drive 5700, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 5700 Hemphill Drive	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM

•	Hunt Lane, 300 feet north and south of Midpoint of 10700 Ingram Road	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
	IH-35 Northbound Frontage Road, Patron To 1,000 feet north of Patron	SSISD	30	7:00-9:00 AM 2:00-4:00 PM
	Ingram Road 10700, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 10700 Ingram Road	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
	Ingram Road 6500, 200 Feet east and west of midpoint School Driveway	NISD	20	7:45-9:00AM 3:30-4:30PM
	North Knoll 5710, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 5710 North Knoll	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
	Perennial, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 6111 Fox Creek	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
	Ray Ellison Boulevard 8503, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 8503 Ray Ellison Boulevard	NISD	25	7:00-9:00 AM 2:00-4:00 PM
	Silver Spruce, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 802 Silver Spruce	NEISD	20	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
	Stahl, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 5005 Stahl	NEISD	20	7:00-9:15 AM 2:00-4:45 PM
	Stone Oak Parkway, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 20522 Stone Oak Parkway	NEISD	30	7:00-8:00 AM 2:30-3:30 PM
	Thousand Oaks, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 3250 Thousand Oaks	NEISD	20	6:45-8:00 AM 2:15-3:30 PM
	USAA Boulevard 5111, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of 5111 USAA Boulevard	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
	Vance Jackson Road 14100, 300 feet north and south of midpoint of school driveway	NISD	20	7:45- 8:45AM 3:30- 4:30PM
	Wenzel, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of 14800 Judson	NEISD	20	7:45-8:45 AM 3:15-4:15 PM

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(d) <u>include</u> in Schedule M(f): entitled "School Speed Zones, School Crosswalks (Intersection), flashing beacon, specified speed" the following locations:

Location Callaghan Road, 300 feet north and 800 feet South of midpoint of Viva Max	<u>District</u> NISD	Speed 20	Flash Time 7:00- 8:15 AM 2:30- 4:30 PM
Cedar Park, 1500 feet south and 1450 feet north Of midpoint of Cascade Oak Drive	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Evans, 300 feet east and west of midpoint of Rio Grande Ct	NEISD	20	7:45- 8:45 AM 3:15- 4:15 PM
FM 471(Culebra Rd), 300 feet east and west of midpoint of Bridleback Drive	NISD	35	7:45-9:00AM 3:45-5:00 PM
Hardy Oaks, 300 feet north and south of midpoint of Nueva Vista	NEISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Heimer, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of Perennial	NEISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Hemphill Drive, 200 feet east and west of NISD midpoint of Marshwood		20	7:00- 8:15 AM 2:30- 4:30 PM
Knoll Creek, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of Grandin Pass	NEISD	20	7:00- 9:00 AM 2:00- 4:00 PM
Newcome Drive, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of Madeleine	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Richland Hills Drive, 650 feet north and south of midpoint of Deer Park	NISD	20	7:00- 8:15 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Seascape Drive, 200 feet north and south of midpoint of Lynx Range	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
Timber View Drive, 200 feet east and west of midpoint of Willow Creek	NISD	20	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM
US 87 (Rigsby Road), 300 feet east and west of midpoint of Diane Road	SSAISD	25	7:00- 9:00 AM 2:00- 4:00 PM
Wilderness Oaks, 300 feet north and 1400 feet south of midpoint of Promontory Point	NEISD	30	7:00- 8:00 AM 2:30- 3:30 PM

(e) <u>exclude</u> from Schedule M(a): entitled "School crosswalk (mid-block), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only" the following locations:

#### Location

Chase Hill Boulevard 15707 – 200 feet north and south of midpoint of 15707 Chase Hill Bly

Hemphill 6700, 200 feet north east and west of midpoint of 6700 Hemphill

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Perennial 1200, 200 ft north and west of midpoint of 1200 Perennial

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USAA Boulvard 5111 – 700 ft east and west of midpoint of 5111 USAA Boulevard

(f) <u>exclude</u> from Schedule M(b): entitled "School crosswalk (mid-block), 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., twenty miles-per-hour, school days only" the following locations:

#### Location

Callaghan, 200 ft east and west of midpoint of Viva Max

Cedar Park 200 feet north and south of midpoint of Autumn Park

Hemphill, 200 ft and west of midpoint of Marshwood

Newcome, 200 ft north and south of midpoint of Madeleine

Richland Hills 200 feet north and south of midpoint of Deer Park\

Rigsby 200 feet east and west of midpoint of Diane

Timberview Drive 200 feet east and west of Willow Creek Street

**SECTION 7.** Installation or modification of traffic control signs, signals, and other applicable devices necessary to reflect the changes within this ordinance are hereby authorized.

**SECTION 8.** All traffic control signs, signals, and other devices listed herein are hereby declared to be official traffic control devices of the City of San Antonio. Violations of any traffic control device or regulation established herein are hereby declared to be Class "C" misdemeanor crimes, and shall be punished by a fine established in City Code Section 1-5.

**SECTION 9.** Should any Article, Section, Part, Paragraph, Sentence, Phrase, Clause, or Word of this ordinance, or any appendix thereof, for any reason, be held illegal, inoperative, or invalid or if any exception to or limitation upon any general provision herein contained be held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective, the remainder shall, nevertheless, stand effective and valid as if it had been enacted and ordained without the portion held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective.

**SECTION 10.** No other provision of the City Code is amended hereby. All other provisions shall remain in effect.

**SECTION 11.** It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this ordinance, was given, all as required by Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated as amended Title 5, Chapter 551, Government Code.

**SECTION 12.** Except as set out above, the publishers of the City Code are authorized to amend said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein.

**SECTION 13.** This ordinance shall become effective five days from publication but in no event before August, 2005.

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#### MAYOR

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_ City Attorney