Staff Report

Subject: 2nd Reading - Speed Zone Ordinance – Stillwell Road

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Department: County Manager **Meeting Date:** November 7, 2023

Item Description: Consideration to approve the Second Reading of an ordinance to

Reduce the speed limit on a section of Stillwell Road.

Summary Recommendation:

Staff is recommending to reduce the speed limit on a section of Stillwell Road from Mingledorff Way at Copperfield Subdivision to the power line easement from speed limit of 55 MPH to 45 MPH.

Executive Summary/Background:

Staff believes that due to the curves, dips and width of the road in this area along with this area being designated as a bike route, that the current speed limit of 55 MPH is excessive and poses as a threat to property and public safety. Decreasing the speed limit will remove the road from the county radar enforcement list until such time that a traffic study performed by GDOT recommends a speed limit of 45 MPH. At the October 17, 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting, the first reading was approved based upon the revisions of the reducing to 45 MPH as the County cannot reduce the speed limit more than 10mph in any area. The County Manager to determine the starting and ending points of the current 55 MPH to be reduced to 45 MPH.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

- 1. Approve the ordinance to set the speed limit on Stillwell Road between Mingledorff Way at Copperfield Subdivision to the power line easement to 45 MPH.
- 2. Do not approve the ordinance.
- 3. Provide Staff with direction.

Recommended Alternative:

Staff recommends Alternative 1 – Approve the ordinance to set the speed limit on Stillwell Road between Mingledorff Way at Copperfield Subdivision the power line easement to 45 MPH.

Other Alternatives: None

Department Review: (list departments)

Sheriff's Office, County Attorney, County Manager

Funding Source:

Minor as a result of sign replacements from Public Works budget.

Attachments:

Ordinance