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## CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM

### CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS

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AGENDA TOPIC: Approval of the first reading of an ordinance amending the City of Fair Oaks Ranch Code of Ordinances Chapter 12 Traffic and Vehicles, Article 12.01 General Provisions, Section 12.01.003 Prima Facie Speed Limits reducing the maximum speed limit of 20 mph on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive

DATE: January 16, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PRESENTED BY: Consent Item: Carole Vanzant, CPM, Assistant City Manager

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#### **INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:**

In 2023, residents residing on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive noted an increase in vehicle traffic and congestion. More specifically, that Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive was being used as a cut-through to and from Dietz Elkhorn Road. Residents noted that the heaviest traffic was causing safety concerns during school drop off and pick up times. In December 2023 the intersection was temporarily closed to assess the impacts of traffic from in the neighborhood. A short time later, the road was re-opened and City Council directed staff to find alternative methods to increase safety and mitigate traffic concerns on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive.

On August 1, 2024, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2024-10 as an emergency ordinance that reduced the speed limit on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive from 30 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour. The emergency ordinance was confirmed by the City Council on August 15, 2024. On September 19, 2024, the City Council approved an extension of the emergency ordinance to January 31, 2025, for the purpose of collecting more traffic analysis information.

Staff conducted additional traffic analysis on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive during October, November and December 2024. At the December 19, 2024, City Council work session, staff presented an analysis and assessment of the recently acquired traffic data and concluded that the best course of action is to permanently reduce the speed limit on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive to 20 miles per hour (map of sign locations attached as **Attachment A**).

#### **POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:**

1. Meets the priority 4.1 Strategic Action Plan – Enhance and Ensure Continuity of Police Services
2. Preserves quality-of-life characteristic through compliance with state law
3. Ensures legal means of enforcement are adopted by City Council

**LONGTERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact

**LEGAL ANALYSIS:**

Approved as to form by the City Attorney's office

**RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:**

Consent Item: I move to approve the first reading of an ordinance reducing the maximum speed limit of 20 mph on Noble Lark Drive and Kalkallo Drive.

# ATTACHMENT A

