

Council Agenda Item

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Meeting Date:	January 7, 2025
Agenda Item:	Starin Road 15 mph
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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what, when, where, why)

At the December 17, 2024 Council meeting, Council discussed the possibility of closing Starin Road between Warhawk Drive and Prairie Street during the week while the University is in session. Instead of closing the road, the Council decided to look at some other measures, including adding stop signs, lowering the speed limit, and installing speed bumps/humps that might help with pedestrian safety.

This ordinance changes the speed limit on Starin Road between Prince Street and Prairie Street from 25 mph to 15 mph.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

At the September 17, 2024 Council meeting, the Council voted to temporary close Starin Road for a two-week trial period.

At the December 10, 2024 Public Works Committee meeting, the Committee recommended to Council to continue to move forward with the closure of Starin Road.

At the December 17, 2024 Council meeting, the Council asked staff to make changes to Starin Road which included adding stop signs at all crosswalks between Prince Street and Prairie Street, reduce the speed limit to 15 mph, and add speed bumps/humps.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

The cost of a five 15 mph speed limit signs is \$160.75 (\$32.15 x 5 signs). The signs will require 2 new poles, costing a total of \$107.90. The other three signs will replace existing 25 mph signs.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-O-1, reducing the speed limit on Starin Road between Prince Street and Prairie Street to 15 mph.

Staff also recommends a motion to waivie the 2nd reading.

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Ordinance 2025-O-1