

**MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Tuesday July 6th, 2021

Item No. 1 Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

Chairman Mary Ellen Miksa called the Lewisville Transportation Board meeting to order at 06:50 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

Mary Ellen Miksa
Karen Locke
Francesca Alwaely
Erum Ali
Alvin Turner
Sheila Taylor
Jordan Zongol

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sagar Medisetty & Daphne Stubbs

Item No. 2 Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Erum Ali and seconded by Karen Locke to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2021 meeting.

All members present voted aye (7-0), and the motion carried.

Item No. 3 Visitors/Citizens Forum

At this time, any person with business before the Board not scheduled on the Agenda may speak to the Board. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

No speakers came forth.

Item No. 4 Consideration of an Amendment to Section 15-35, Maximum Speed Limits on Josey Lane, Establishing the Speed Limit of 50 MPH from 1,900 Feet South of State Highway 121 to the South City Limits, and Make a Recommendation to the City Council Regarding the Amendment.

Sagar Medisetty presented this item and offered a map to support the staff's recommendation that the speed limits on Josey Lane be set at 50 MPH. Medisetty explained this is a 6-lane divided roadway recently annexed by the City of Lewisville and a speed study has been conducted. The suggested results of the study were to set the speed limit of 54 MPH, however, there will now be a new school and another future proposed school in this area and there are new residential subdivisions; staff is requesting the limit be set at 50 MPH. This speed limit would be applicable for Josey Lane 1,900 feet south of State Highway 121 to the south city limits.

Staff recommends the consideration.

A motion was made by Karen Locke to approve the item and seconded by Sheila Taylor to approve the Consideration of an Amendment to Section 15-35, Maximum Speed Limits on Josey Lane, Establishing the Speed Limit of 50 MPH from 1,900 Feet South of State Highway 121 to the South City Limits, and Make a Recommendation to the City Council Regarding the Amendment.

The vote was 7 ayes and 0 nays. The motion carried.

Item No. 5 Consideration of an Amendment to Section 15-36, Maximum Speed Limits Near Schools, of the Lewisville City Code to Establish a School Speed Zone on Josey Lane from 500 Feet North of the Memorial Elementary School Driveway to 500 Feet South of Lake Falls Terrace and Make a Recommendation to the City Council Regarding the Amendment.

Sagar Medisetty presented this item and discussed the concerns with the speed limits near the new Memorial Elementary School. Medisetty stated, based on the proposed 50 mph speed limit for Josey Lane, the school zone would need to be set at 35 mph.

Commissioner Taylor expressed concern about the proposed high 35 mph speed limit for the school zone for the elementary school. Medisetty explained that the speed limit on the roadway determines the school zone speed limit as state regulations only allow the speeds to be reduced by 15 mph decrements. Also, the state regulations require the general speed limit to be set based on the 85th percentile speeds from a traffic study. He also stated that a similar 35 mph school zone speed limit exists for the Killian Middle School on F.M. 544. Medisetty stated that any student pedestrians crossing at the intersection will be protected by the proposed traffic signal and also that a school crossing guard would be assisting any crossing students.

Commissioner Alwaely asked how long it would take drivers to reduce the speed from 50 mph to the 35 mph speed limit. Medisetty stated that distance needed for a 50 mph vehicle to reduce the speed to 35 mph would be about 175 - 200 feet.

Staff recommends the consideration.

A motion was made by Erum Ali to approve the item and seconded by Karen Locke to approve the Consideration of an Amendment to Section 15-36, Maximum Speed Limits Near Schools, of the Lewisville City Code to Establish a School Speed Zone on Josey Lane from 500 Feet North of the Memorial Elementary School driveway to 500 Feet South of Lake Falls Terrace and Make a Recommendation to the City Council Regarding the Amendment.

The vote was 7 ayes, and 0 nays. The motion carried.

Item No. 7 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Francesca Alwaely and seconded by Alvin Turner. The vote was 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Salmon P.E.
City Engineer

**THESE MINUTES APPROVED BY THE
LEWISVILLE TRANSPORTATION BOARD.**

CHAIRMAN

DATE