



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

Requested Board Meeting Date: November 21, 2017

**Title:** Vahalla Road Speed Limit Ordinance

**Introduction/Background:**

An internal ordinance review of the posted speed limits along Vahalla Road was conducted as part of the Valencia Road project. The current posted speed limits on Vahalla Road are 45 mph from Hermans Road to Valencia Road, and 25 mph from Valencia Road to Freedom Eagle Drive.

**Discussion:**

As a result of the ordinance review, it was determined that there is no existing ordinance of the posted speed limits on Vahalla Road from Valencia Road to Hermans Road. As part of the Valencia Road project, the posted speed limits along Vahalla Road are recommended to be 45 mph from Hermans Road to 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive, and 35 mph from 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive to Valencia Road.

**Conclusion:**

Pima County Traffic Engineering recommends establishing a 45 mph speed limit on Vahalla Road from Hermans Road to 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive, and a 35 mph speed limit from 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive to Valenica Road. The speed limit recommendations are based on stopping sight distance considerations, new development which will add two direct connections to Vahalla Road (the closest at 250 feet south of Valencia Road post construction), and the 25 mph speed limit north of Valencia Road. The speed limit recommendations are a part of the final Valencia Road Development Concept Report (DCR).

**Recommendation:**

Pima County Traffic Engineering recommends establishing a 45 mph speed limit on Vahalla Road from Hermans Road to 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive, and a 35 mph speed limit from 300 feet north of Tight Line Drive to Valenica Road. The 25 mph speed limit on Vahalla Road from Valencia Road to Freedom Eagle Drive is regulated under Arizona Revised Statute 28-701 as a residential district.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Minimal.

**Board of Supervisor District:**

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County Administrator Signature/Date: *C. Dunkelberg*                      10/30/17

ORDINANCE 2017- \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS; ESTABLISHING REASONABLE AND PRUDENT SPEED LIMITS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES ON VAHALLA ROAD IN PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA FINDS THAT:**

1. The Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona has authority under A.R.S. §§ 28-627, 28-701 and 28-703 to fix reasonable and prudent speed limits on a through County highway.
2. The Board of Supervisors has determined a reasonable and prudent speed limit for motor vehicles on Vahalla Road in Pima County.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA,**

SECTION 1. The following speed limit is established as reasonable and prudent speed limit for Vahalla Road in Pima County:

<u>SPEED</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
45 m.p.h.	Hermans Road	300 feet north of Tight Line Drive
35 m.p.h.	300 feet north of Tight Line Drive	Valencia Road

SECTION 2. This Ordinance takes effect when and to the extent that signs are posted on the highway listed in Section 1 of this Ordinance, giving notice of the new speed limit, but in no event earlier than 30 days from the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. The various County officers and employees are authorized and directed to perform all acts necessary or desirable to give effect to this Ordinance.

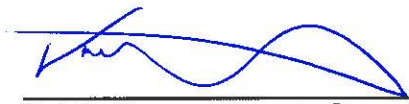
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Chair, Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

  
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Tobin Rosen, Deputy County Attorney

10/26/17