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To: City of Hutchins Community

From: Chief Perry

Date: October 21, 2025

RE: Traffic safety Improvements

To: Community members

The safety of our citizens is the top priority and city staff and our city council take this responsibility very seriously. As the City of Hutchins continues to grow, staff will continue to address traffic concerns throughout the City of Hutchins. Because of increased traffic flow on Lancaster Hutchins Road (LHR), and an increased number of accidents that have occurred at the intersection of LHR and Wintergreen Road, staff contracted with the engineering firm Kimley-Horn to conduct a traffic impact analysis (TIA) along LHR.

The TIA addressed whether a traffic light would be needed at LHR and Wintergreen Road and whether the current speed limits on LHR were adequate and safe for the traveling public. There are many factors which are considered as part of the TIA some of which include traffic accident data, the number of vehicles traveling on a roadway, development along the road and current traffic control devices that are in place. The results of the traffic impact analysis were presented to the Mayor and City Council on October 8, 2025, which included recommendations which are designed to improve traffic safety.

The recommendations included in the TIA are as follows:

1. The traffic impact analysis recommended a four-way stop sign at Lancaster Hutchins and Wintergreen;
2. The traffic impact analysis recommended lowering the speed limit on Lancaster Hutchins Rd. from 50 MPH to 45 MPH; and
3. The traffic impact analysis did not warrant a traffic light at this time.

Because of current and future development on Lancaster Hutchins road, staff members and the City council believe that it is in the best interest of safety to move forward with the recommendations of the traffic impact analysis by lowering the speed limit from 50 MPH to 45 MPH and making the necessary improvements to move forward with transitioning Lancaster Hutchins at Wintergreen into four-way stop intersection.



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The first part of this two-pronged project will be to change the posted speed limit on LHR. The ordinance to reduce the speed limit was unanimously approved by the City Council on Monday, October 20, 2025. To ensure that all citizens receive notice of this effective change the following information is being released to our citizens and the traveling public with an effective date of November 14, 2025.

The second part of this project will be to transition Lancaster Hutchins at Wintergreen Road to a four-way stop intersection, with an intended transition date by the first of the year 2026. Currently we are working with Kimley-Horn to ensure turning radius from the stopped positions will be adequate, so we don't create additional traffic problems. After the final analysis is completed, staff will begin the process of informing the public of this intended transition.

Thank you for working with us to improve safety in our city. It is our number one goal to serve the public and ensure that we are doing our due diligence to keep our community and the traveling public safe.

If you have any questions regarding this change you may reach me at 972-225-2225 or sperry@cityofhutchinstx.gov.

Respectfully,

Steve Perry

Police Chief