

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-05-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WESTON, TEXAS PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT OF TWENTY FIVE MILES PER HOUR ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Weston, Texas is a Type A general-law municipality located in Collin County, created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 545.356 of the Texas Transportation Code, a municipality may declare a reduction of prima facia maximum speed limits on certain local streets to twenty-five miles per hour (25 mph), if the Council finds that the established speeds are unreasonable or unsafe;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Weston, Texas hereby determines that the established speed limits on certain streets within the City are unreasonable or unsafe;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Weston, Texas hereby finds and determines that reducing the speed limit to 25 miles per hour on those certain roadways is in the best interest of the City of Weston and will promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the City of Weston and the general public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTON, TEXAS

SECTION 1

The City Council of the City of Weston, Texas hereby finds and declares that the prima facie established speed limits on the following named streets within the City of Weston are unreasonable or unsafe:

Chicken Street
North Street
Short Street
West Street
Weston Creek Trail
Weston Creek Court

SECTION 2

From and after the effective date of this ordinance, the City Council hereby declares a maximum speed limit of twenty five miles per hour (25 mph) on each of the streets named in section 1 of this ordinance.

SECTION 3

The reduced speed limit set forth in Section 2, above, is effective when the Mayor or her designee, erects signs giving notice of the new speed limit. The Mayor is directed to take such action necessary to ensure that such new speed limit signs are erected and installed.

SECTION 4

Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

SECTION 5

All ordinances, orders or resolutions heretofore passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Weston, Texas are hereby repealed to the extent that said ordinances, orders or resolutions, or parts thereof, are in conflict herewith.

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SECTION 6

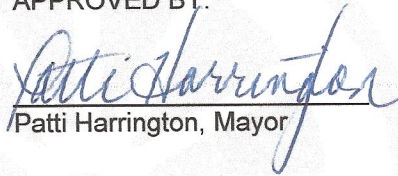
It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance, since same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section, and said remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7

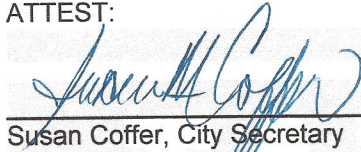
The City Secretary of the City of Weston is directed to publish the caption and penalty clause of this Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of Section 52.011 of the Local Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED by Council this the 13th day of May 2014.

APPROVED BY:


Patti Harrington, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan Coffey, City Secretary



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May 8, 2014

TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY

Subject - ESTABLISHMENT OF SPEED LIMITS FOR THE FOLLOWING STREETS:

North Street
West Street
Short Street
Chicken Street
Weston Creek Trail
Weston Creek Court

I have driven the above named streets and find that a reasonable and prudent speed limit for each is 25 M.P.H. (miles per hour) and therefore recommend that the Weston City Council approve this speed limit by Ordinance.

Patti Harrington, Mayor