

ORDINANCE NO. 24-1124

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18 "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", ARTICLE III "SPEED OF VEHICLES", SECTION 18-73 "SPEED LIMITS ON CERTAIN ROADS AND HIGHWAYS", "TXDOT ROADS", "SCHOOL ZONES", OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DENTON, TO CHANGE THE LOCATIONS, EXTENT, AND SPEED LIMITS OF CERTAIN TXDOT ROADS AND SPEED ZONES IN THE VICINITY OF A SCHOOL; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Denton's Development Services/Engineering Services routinely reviews the speed limits in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton, as amended, in order to make corrections, additions, or amendments, where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, Development Services/Engineering Services desires to amend the speed zone tables included in the City Code to provide for adjustments as a result of development and to make text, speed limit, and road extent range corrections; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code Section 545.356 specifies the procedures for a municipality to set speed zones and to post speed limits; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the the proposed changes to Chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Article III "Speed of Vehicles", Section 18-73 "Speed Limits on Certain Roads and Highways", incorporates the above studies and recommendations by Development Services/Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed revisions are in the interest of the public health and safety; NOW THEREFORE,

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The recitals contained in the preamble of this ordinance are incorporated into the body of this ordinance as if set out fully herein.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby amends the existing Section 18-73 "Speed Limits on Certain Roads and Highways," in Chapter 18 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic," Article III "Speed of Vehicles", "School Zones", which shall read as follows:

Sec. 18-73. Speed limits on certain roads and highways.

Upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation heretofore made as authorized by the provisions of V.C.T.A., Transportation Code § 545.356, the following prima facie speed limits hereafter indicated for vehicles are hereby determined and declared to be reasonable and safe; and such speed limits are hereby fixed at the rate of speed indicated for vehicles traveling upon the named streets and highways, or parts thereof, described as follows:

TxDOT ROADS

ROADWAY	FROM	TO	SPEED LIMIT
Airport Rd./FM 1515	Masch Branch Rd.	Corbin Rd.	55
Airport Rd./FM 1515	Corbin Rd.	IH 35E	45
Barrel Strap/FM 2499	IH35E SB Frontage Rd.	FM 2181	50
Country Club Rd./FM 1830	Fort Worth Dr./US 377	Sanders Rd.	45
Country Club Rd./FM 1830	Sanders Rd.	Country Club Rd.	45
Country Club Rd./FM 1830	Country Club Rd.	Southern City Limits	50
Dallas Dr./US 77	SB Main Lanes	Teasley Ln./FM 2181	40
Dallas Dr./US 77	Teasley Ln./FM 2181	Smith St.	30
Elm St./US 77	Eagle Dr./US 77	Sherman Dr./FM 428	25
Elm St./US 77	Sherman Dr./FM 428	Locust St./FM 2164	35
Elm St./US 77	Locust St./FM 2164	Donna Rd.	40
Elm St./US 77	Donna Rd.	IH 35E SB Frontage Rd.	50
FM 1173	IH35N	Western City Limits	60
FM 1830	Country Club Rd.	Southern City Limits	45
FM 2153	Sherman Dr./FM 428	Northern City Limits	55
FM 2449	IH-35W	Western City Limits	55
Fort Worth Dr./US 377	Eagle Dr.	IH 35E SB Frontage Rd.	30
Fort Worth Dr./US 377	IH 35E SB Frontage Rd.	550' N of Massey Rd.	40
Fort Worth Dr./US 377	550' N of Massey Rd.	250' S of Country Club Rd./FM 1830	45
Fort Worth Dr./US 377	250' S of Country Club Rd./FM 1830	Southern City Limits	55
IH 35E Frontage Rd. NB	Northern City Limits	Elm St./US 77	55
IH 35E Frontage Rd. NB	Elm St./US 77	Southern City Limits	50
IH 35E Frontage Rd. SB	Northern City Limits	Elm St./US 77/Barthold Rd.	55
IH 35E Frontage Rd. SB	Elm St./US 77/Barthold Rd.	Southern City Limits	50
IH 35 Main Lanes	Northern City Limits	University/US 380	75
IH 35/IH 35E Main Lanes	University/US 380	Southern City Limits	70
Locust St./US 77	Sherman Dr./FM 428	Elm St./FM 2164/US 77	35
Locust St./FM2164	Locust St./FM 2164/US 77	Loop 288	40
Locust St./FM2164	Loop 288	City Limits	55
Loop 288	IH 35E SB Main Lane	Spencer	35
Loop 288	Spencer Rd.	University/US 380	45
Loop 288	University/US 380	IH 35	60
Sherman Dr./FM 428	Elm St./US 77	Monterrey St.	35
Sherman Dr./FM 428	Monterrey St.	Long Rd.	45
Sherman Dr./FM 428	Long Rd.	City Limits	60
Teasley Ln./FM 2181	Shady Oaks Dr.	IH 35E SB Frontage Rd.	35
Teasley Ln./FM 2181	IH 35E SB Frontage Rd.	Savannah Tr.	35
Teasley Ln./FM 2181	Savannah Tr.	500' W of Pennsylvania	40
Teasley Ln./FM 2181	500' W of Pennsylvania	Lillian Miller Pkwy.	40
Teasley Ln./FM 2181	Lillian Miller Pkwy.	City Limits	45
University Dr./US 380	Western City Limits	Masch Branch Rd.	65
University Dr./US 380	Masch Branch Rd.	500' W of Western Blvd.	50

University Dr./US 380	500' W of Western Blvd.	Bonnie Brae St.	45
University Dr./US 380	Bonnie Brae St.	Bell Ave.	40
University Dr./US 380	Bell Ave.	Loop 288 NB Ramp	45
University Dr./US 380	Loop 288 NB Ramp	Rockhill Rd.	50
University Dr./US 380	Rockhill Rd.	Easterly City Limits	60

School Zones

With regard to school zone speed limits set forth below, the time periods for the reduced school zone speed limits shall apply on school days when signs are posted giving notice of the school zone times or when school zone lights are activated giving notice of the active school zone.

SCHOOL NAME	ROADWAY	FROM	TO	SPEED LIMIT	TIMES
Alexander Elementary School	Double Oak St.	Mack Dr.	Longmeadow St.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Longmeadow St.	Double Oak St.	Paisley St.		
	Mack Dr.	Double Oak St.	Paisley St.		
	Paisley St.	200' W of Mack Dr.	70' E of Longmeadow St.		
Billy Ryan High School	McKinney St./FM 426	500' W of Billy Ryan High School's Driveway	525' E of Billy Ryan High School's Driveway	30	8am – 9am & 4pm – 5pm
Borman Elementary School	Parvin St.	150' W of McCormick St.	100' E of Mercedes St.	20	7am – 8a, & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
Denton High School	Bonnie Brae St.	200' N of Riney Rd.	964' N of Windsor Dr.	25	8am – 9am & 4pm – 5pm
	Bronco Way	146' W of Kingsview Dr.	Bonnie Brae St.	20	
Evers Park Elementary School	Cobblestone Row	Evers Pkwy.	170' E of Ashcroft Ln.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Evers Pkwy.	350' S of Gardenview St.	50' S of Robbie-O St.		
Fred Moore High School	Cross Timbers St.	100' S of Mill St.	Mill St.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Cross Timbers St.	Mill St.	Wye St.	30	
	Mill St.	150' W of Cross Timber St.	100' W of Robertson St.	20	
	Wye St.	150' W of Cross Timber St.	Cross Timber St.		
Ginnings	Stuart Rd.	250' N of	175' N of Sun	20	7am – 8am &

Elementary School		Imperial Dr.	Valley Dr.		2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Sun Valley Dr.	Stuart Rd.	200' E of Yellowstone Pl.		
	Yellowstone Pl.	300' N or Imperial Dr.	Sun Valley Dr.		
Gonzalez School for Young Children	Long Rd.	150' NE of Stuart Rd.	650' E of Ridgepoint Dr.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
Hodge Elementary School	Farris Rd.	Silver Dome Rd.	200' N of Grant Pkwy.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Grant Pkwy.	Deer Forest Dr.	Farris Rd.		
John H. Guyer High School	Teasley Ln./FM 2181	1100' S of Leatherwood Rd.	1090' N of Leatherwood Rd.	30	8am – 9am & 4pm – 5pm
	Old Alton Rd.	Teasley Ln.	500' S of Teasley Ln.	25	
LaGrone Advanced Technology Complex	Long Rd.	150' NE of Stuart Rd.	650' E of Ridgepoint Dr.	20	7:30am – 8:30am & 10:30am – 11:15am & 12pm – 12:35pm & 2:35pm – 3:40pm
McMath Middle School	Londonderry Ln.	Teasley Ln.	100' E of Sam Bass Blvd.	20	7:30am – 8:30am & 3pm – 4pm
McNair Elementary School	Hickory Creek Rd.	765' W of Montecito Dr.	430' E of Montecito Dr.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Montecito Dr.	700' S of Hickory Creek Rd.	50' N of Hickory Creek Rd.		
Nelson Elementary School	Teasley Ln.	350' S of Ryan Rd.	900' N of Ryan Rd.	30	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
Nette Shultz Elementary School	Emerson Ln.	150' E of Glenwood Ln.	350' W of Rockwood Ln.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Glenwood Ln.	150' S of Emerson Ln.	E Windsor Dr.		
	Hanover Dr.	450' NW of Emerson Ln.	E Windsor Dr.		
	Windsor Dr.	150' W of Longfellow Ln.	275' E of Hanover Dr.		
Newton Rayzor Elementary	Bryan St.	Crescent St.	150' N of Linden St.	20	7am – 8:30am & 2:30pm –

School/Calhoun Middle School	Crescent St.	Bryan St.	150' E of Fulton St.		4pm
	Fulton St.	150' N of Crescent St.	Linden St.		
Pecan Creek Elementary School	Lakeview Blvd.	Black Walnut	300' S of Burr Oak Ln.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Pockrus Page Rd.	270' W of Post Oak Blvd.	170' E of Post Oak Blvd.		
Rivera Elementary School	Newton St.	200' N of Morse St.	225' N of Wilson St.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Wilson St.	350' E of Newton St.	Newton St.		
Sam Houston Elementary School	Teasley Ln.	325' E of Pennsylvania Dr.	465' W of Lillian Miller Pkwy.	25	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
Stricklan Middle School	Bell Ave.	Driftwood Tr.	225' N of Windsor Dr.	20	7:30am – 8:30am & 3pm – 4pm
	Windsor Dr.	560' E of N Locust St./FM 2164	225' E of Bell Ave.		
The Davis School	Davis St.	100' W of Wood St.	Ruddell St.	20	6:30am – 7:30am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Ruddell St.	100' S of Davis St.	300' N of Davis St.		
	Wood St.	100' S of Davis St.	300' N of Davis St.		
W.S. Ryan Elementary School	Creekside Dr.	550' S of Ryan Rd.	Ryan Rd.	20	7am – 8am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm
	Ryan Rd.	500' W of Creekdale Dr.	500' E of Forrestridge Dr.		
Windle School for Young Children	Audra Ln.	150' N of Paisley St.	Oak Tree Dr.	20	7am – 8am & 3pm – 4pm
	Mulkey Ln.	400' N of Paisley St.	150' N of Oak Tree Dr.		

SECTION 3. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined a sum not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00), unless the violation occurs in a work zone when workers are present and then the penalty shall not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400.00).

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall supersede and replace all previous conflicting provisions of City ordinances and Code, including Sections 18-210 through 18-214, and such previous conflicting provisions are hereby repealed. All other non-conflicting provisions, including those of Chapter 18 of the Code of the City of Denton, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

SECTION 5. 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 the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the 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.

SECTION 6. The City Secretary is hereby directed to record and publish the above revised section in the City's Code of Ordinances as authorized by Section 52.001 of the Texas Local Government Code.

SECTION 7. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance, providing for a penalty, shall become effective fourteen (14) days from the date of its passage, and the City Secretary is hereby directed to cause the caption of this Ordinance to be published twice in the Denton Record Chronicle, a daily newspaper published in the City of Denton, Texas, within ten (10) days of the date of its passage.

The motion to approve this ordinance was made by Brian Beck and seconded by Joe Holland, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote [7 - 0]:

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Gerard Hudspeth:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Vicki Byrd, District 1:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Brian Beck, District 2:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Paul Meltzer, District 3:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Joe Holland, District 4:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Brandon Chase McGee, At Large Place 5:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Jill Jester, At Large Place 6:	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

PASSED AND APPROVED this, the 18th day of June, 2024.



GERARD HUDSPETH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
LAUREN THODEN, CITY SECRETARY

BY: Lauren Thoden



APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
MACK REINWAND, CITY ATTORNEY

BY: Stephanie M. Berry