

ORDINANCE NO. 218-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE 12.02, SPEED LIMITS, DIVISION 2, SCHOOL ZONES, SECTION 12.02.043(b) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, TEXAS REGULATING SPEED LIMITS IN THE COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL ZONES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER AND SAVINGS CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; FINDING OF PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Texas is a Type A General Law municipality incorporated and operating under the Laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Section 51.001, Texas Local Government Code, authorizes the City Council of the City of Columbus to adopt ordinances for the good government, peace, safety, and order of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code authorizes the City to adopt laws and ordinances to regulate traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Columbus, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, especially of school-aged children, it is necessary to adopt an ordinance regulating the speed in designated school zones;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas that:

SECTION 1

Chapter 12, Traffic and Vehicles, Article 12.02, Speed Limits, Division 2, School Zones, Section 12.02.043(b) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Columbus, Texas shall be amended to read as follows:

- (b) The speed limit for vehicles traveling the streets within the Columbus High School zones during the hours of 7:10 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 3:55 p.m., school days, shall be 20 miles per hour maximum.

SECTION 2
SAVINGS CLAUSE

All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of occurring prior to the repeal of the ordinance. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3
SEVERABILITY

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. City hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 4
REPEALER

Any other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 5
EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law.

SECTION 7
PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

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

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at the meeting of the City Council held on this the 26th day of August, 2019.



Lori An Gobert, Mayor

ATTEST:



Bana Schneider, City Secretary