

ORDINANCE NO. 655

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 18-98, "SCHOOL ZONES" OF CHAPTER 18, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS, BY REMOVING SCHOOL ZONE DESIGNATIONS FROM OTTIS LANE AND HIGHWAY 36 (S. COLUMBIA); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT.

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WHEREAS, Section 545.356 authorizes the City to alter by ordinance prima facie speed limits on an officially designated or marked highway of the state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the City designated certain school zones along Highway 36 by Ordinance No. 640 dated January 11, 2016 based on engineering and traffic studies; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia Charter School located at 725 West Brazos Ave., West Columbia, Texas was closed in 2016; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds it reasonable and prudent to remove the school zone designations established due to the location of Columbia Charter School;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS:

Section 1. The following are to be removed from the list of designated school zones maintained in the City Secretary's office in accordance with Section 18-98, "School Zones," of Chapter 18, "Traffic and Vehicles," of the City of West Columbia Code of Ordinances:

1. Along SH 36 from northwest City limit of City of West Columbia to 528 feet southeast of Westview Road, a distance of approximately miles the speed limit shall be "45 MPH".

2. Along SH 36 from 528 feet southeast of Westview Road to 1109 feet southeast of Meadow East, a distance of approximately 0.815 miles, the speed limit shall be "35 MPH".

3. Along SH 36 from 1109 feet southeast of Meadow East to the southeast City limit of City of West Columbia, a distance of approximately 0.700 miles, the speed limit shall be "45 MPH".

4. Along SH36 a school zone from centerline of FM 1301 to 850 feet southeast of FM 1301, a distance of approximately 0.161 miles, the speed limit shall be "25 MPH" WHEN FLASHING".

5. Along SH 36 a school zone from centerline of SH 35 to 1056 feet southeast of SH 35, a distance of approximately 0.2000 miles, the speed limit shall be "25 MPH' WHEN FLASHING".

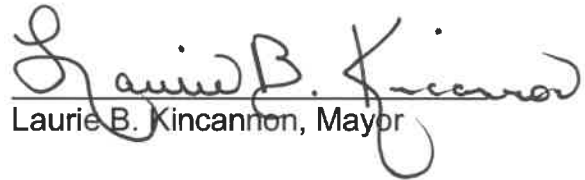
6. All school zones along Ottis Lane.

Section 2. In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstance shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is the intention of the City Council that the invalidity or unconstitutionality of the one or more parts shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances and shall not repeal any of the provisions of said ordinances save and except those instances where there are direct conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance. Ordinances or parts thereof in force at this time this Ordinance shall take effect and that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are

inconsistent with this Ordinance. Provided, however, that any complaint, action, claim, or lawsuit that has been initiated or has arisen under or pursuant to any of the ordinances or sections thereof that have been specifically repealed on the date of adopting of this Ordinance shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such ordinance or section thereof and for that purpose the ordinance or section thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on this 13th day of November, 2017.


Laurie B. Kincannon, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kelli R. Kuban, City Secretary