

ORDINANCE NO. 731

AN ORDINANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY PLACE CITY COUNCIL AMENDING SECTION 10.10.010 OF THE UNIVERSITY PLACE MUNICIPAL CODE; RELATING TO TEMPORARY SPEED LIMITS

WHEREAS, the City Council has reserved to itself the authority to affix speed limits within the City; and

WHEREAS, from time-to-time, there is the need for temporary speed reductions due to construction or repair; and

WHEREAS, such speed limit reductions are of such a duration that they ordinarily do not involve the need for multiple acts of the City Council to affix and/or remove and that such reductions can best be handled through the expertise of the City Engineer;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 10.10.010 of the University Place Municipal Code entitled "Maximum speed limit of 25 miles per hour unless otherwise posted." Is amended to read as follows:

A. The maximum speed limit for all City streets is established as 25 miles per hour except where a lower or greater maximum lawful speed is established by ordinance of the City Council upon the recommendation made by the Director after the completion of an engineering and traffic investigation pursuant to the authority granted in WAC 308-330-270 and RCW 46.61.415. No speed limit on City streets other than 25 miles per hour shall be enforced unless the speed limit is posted by signs pursuant to Chapter 46.61 RCW and Chapter 308-330 WAC.

B. The City Engineer is authorized to implement a temporary speed limit reduction for City roadways during active construction or repair when it is deemed appropriate to enhance safety to the public. Such reduction shall require a traffic engineering study and the City Engineer shall then issue a written authorization for such reduction. The Construction Zone Speed Limit shall:

1. not be less than 25 miles per hour for arterial streets and 20 miles per hour for local streets;
2. not extend outside the signed construction project traffic control limits;
3. not occur outside the active construction or repair activity limits; and
4. be removed when the road project is completed to the point where normal traffic flow can reasonably be accommodated.

C. No speed limit on City streets other than 25 miles per hour shall be enforced unless the speed limit is posted by signs pursuant to Chapter 46.61 RCW and Chapter 308-330 WAC.

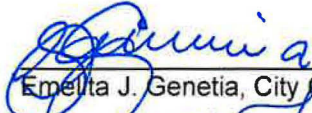
Section 2. Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after final passage.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JULY 20, 2020.



Caroline Belleci, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emelita J. Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Matthew S. Kaser, City Attorney

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