

CITY OF WILLOW PARK

ORDINANCE NO. 610-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10, "TRAFFIC CONTROL", ARTICLE 10.300, "SPEED LIMITS" AND SCHEDULE "A" OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS; PROVIDING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CREATION OF A SCHOOL ZONE AND ENFORCEMENT THEREOF; PROVIDING A PENALTY; A REPEALER; AND, AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Willow Park, TX is a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Willow Park to protect the health, safety and welfare and well being of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City, under powers delegated to it, pursuant to Chapter 51, TEX. LOCAL GOV'T CODE, has the authority to regulate traffic on its streets for the purpose of protecting public welfare and safety; and

WHEREAS, the construction and opening of the McCall Elementary School, Aledo Independent School District, within the boundaries of the City, which is located generally at the intersection of Tricia Trail and Scenic Trail, has in attendance elementary school students; and

WHEREAS, the ingress of elementary students and egress of elementary students from the school does create and cause a special hazard to exist with regard to traffic, pedestrian crossings and school attendee safety pursuant to § 545.352 of the TEX. TRANSPORTATION CODE; and

WHEREAS, the City did, on the basis of a traffic analysis performed for and by the City, find that the prima facie speed limit of 20 miles per hour was determined and declared to be a prima facie reasonable and safe and prudent speed in a designated school zone.

NOW THEREFORE: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION

The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to implement the applicable provisions of this ordinance as relates to the enforcement of the speed zones contained therein, within the municipal boundaries of the City of Willow Park, Texas.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT

Amend Chapter 10 "Traffic Control" Article 10.30 "Speed Limits" by adding a new Section 10.305 "School Zone" as follows:

SECTION 10.305 SCHOOL ZONE

The prima facie speed limit of 20 miles per hour for vehicles is hereby determined and declared to be a prima facie reasonable, prudent and safe speed limit which is hereby fixed for vehicles traveling within designated school zones.

SECTION 3. SCHOOL ZONE DESIGNATION

AMEND CHAPTER 10, TRAFFIC CONTROL SCHEDULE 'A' by adding the following to Schedule A:

School Zone - McCall Elementary School

Both directions of Scenic Trail from a point where Scenic Trail and Tricia Trail intersect west along Scenic Trail 2400 feet.

20 mph
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Both directions of Tricia Trail from a point where Tricia Trail and Scenic Trail intersect then south 900 feet.

20 mph
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SECTION 4. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

By adoption of this Ordinance the City Council does hereby direct the City Administrator to have installed signage consistent with the provisions herein that is in accordance with the manual on uniform traffic control devices as adopted by the Texas Department of Transportation.

SECTION 5. RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds and declares all precatory language herein to be true and correct and approves and adopts the same herein as part of this Resolution.

SECTION 6. SIGNAGE

The provisions of the Ordinance enacted herein shall be enforceable upon the residential streets so designated upon the erection and placement of signage designating the speed limit on each street.

SECTION 8. PENALTY

A violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$200.00 upon conviction.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY

The Willow Park City Council in acting on Ordinance No. 610-10 did on the 15th day of February, 2010, vote as follows:

	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Kenneth Hawkins, Mayor	_____	_____
Barry K. Tatum, Place 1	_____	_____
Gene Martin, Place 2	_____	_____
Barry Brown, Place 3	_____	_____
Mark Hickerson, Place 4	_____	_____
Hale Alderman, Place 5	_____	_____

If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, it shall not affect any valid provisions of this or any other Ordinance of the City of Willow Park to which these rules and regulations relate.

SECTION 8. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

All Ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect on or after its publication in a newspaper of general publication stating its purpose and penalty.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of February, 2010.

/s/ Kenneth Hawkins
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Joel Hoffman
City Secretary/Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ [Signature]
City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

Both directions of Scenic Trail from a point where Scenic Trail and Tricia Trail intersect west along Scenic Trail 250 feet. 20 mph
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Both directions of Tricia Trail from a point where Tricia Trail and Scenic Trail intersect then south 200 feet. 20 mph
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.