

ORDINANCE 2017-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA TEXAS AMENDING SECTION 12.00 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING 12.02.038 TO REDUCE THE PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT ON A PORTION OF COOPER LANE, AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNAGE RELATED THERETO; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS RELATED THERETO; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Texas Transportation Code, a home-rule municipality has control over and under public highways, streets, and alleys of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Texas Transportation Code, a home-rule municipality has the authority to alter the prima facie speed limit on a municipal roadway without the necessity of a formal engineering and traffic study if such roadway is not an officially designated or marked highway or roadway of the state highway system and it is a two-way, undivided roadway; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Texas Transportation Code, a home-rule municipality has the authority to control the type of vehicular traffic permitted on a municipal roadway; and

WHEREAS, Cooper Lane is a two-way, undivided municipal roadway within the City of La Feria which is paved to the applicable residential standards of the City of La Feria; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of La Feria determined that it is in the best interest of the City and for the safety of residents to establish certain restrictions as to the prima facie speed limit on Cooper Lane.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of La Feria shall be amended by adding Section 12.02.038 as follows:

Sec. 12.02.038 Cooper Lane

The maximum vehicular speed limit on Cooper Lane is fifteen (15) miles per hour.

SECTION 2. The Code of Ordinances of the City of La Feria shall be amended by adding Section 12.05.009 as follows:

Sec. 12.05.009 Cooper Lane

- (a) Vehicles with tandem wheels or more than two (2) axles are hereby prohibited from driving on Cooper Lane unless providing services directly to properties along such portion of Cooper Lane.
- (b) The city manager is authorized to take legal action to recover damages against any owner of a vehicle that violates or exceeds the use limitations as provided therein.

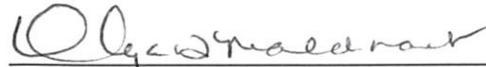
SECTION 3. The City Manager is hereby authorized to install appropriate signage alerting the public as required by the Texas Transportation Code.

SECTION 4. Any person violating any provisions of Sec. 12.02.038 or Sec. 12.05.009 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in accordance with the general penalty in Section 1.01.009 of the Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 5. The effective date of this ordinance shall be December 1, 2017, or the date upon which the required signage is installed, whichever is later.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION ON THIS THE 28th OF NOVEMBER 2017.

APPROVED:



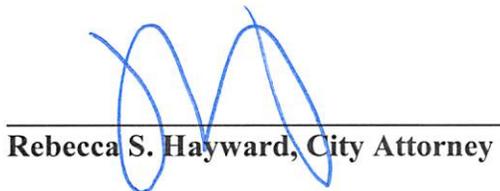
Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Rebecca S. Hayward, City Attorney