

ORDINANCE NO 2010-06

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS
ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS ON PORTIONS OF
RATTLESNAKE ROAD, SANDERS STREET AND BROADWAY
STREET LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS,
PROVIDING THAT VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE IS AN
OFFENSE (MISDEMEANOR) PUNISHABLE BY A FINE NOT TO
EXCEED \$200.00, PROVIDING FOR SIGNS, AND PROVIDING
FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, concern has arisen over the speed at which vehicles are traveling along portions of Rattlesnake road, Sanders Street and Broadway Street within the boundaries of the City of Riesel, and

WHEREAS, this creates a danger to public health, safety and welfare, and left unregulated the speed at which vehicles are traveling these roadways will continue to present an imminent threat to public health, safety and welfare, and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the prima facie speed limit set by statute where a speed limit is not otherwise posted is unreasonable and unsafe for the portion of these roadways addressed by this ordinance, and

WHEREAS, Section 545.356 of the Transportation Code authorizes the City Council to declare and establish a speed limit lower than the prima facie limit upon determining that the prima facie limit is unreasonable or unsafe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it in the best interest of public health, safety and welfare to regulate the speed at which vehicles travel these roadways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS, THAT:

1. Incorporation of Recitals as Findings. The foregoing recitals are incorporated as findings and determinations of the City Council.
2. Establishment of Speed Limit. The speed limit (maximum speed) for the following described portions of Rattlesnake Road, Sanders Street and Broadway Street is set and established as 30 miles per hour.

Rattlesnake Road from Little Rattler to F.M. 1860 West
Sanders Lane from Rattlesnake Road to Broadway Street
Broadway Street from Highway 6 to Roadrunner Trail

(hereinafter "Reduced Speed Zones")

3. Offense. It is unlawful for any person to operate a vehicle within any of the Reduced Speed Zones established in this ordinance at a speed in excess of the maximum speed established in Section 1. The offense is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200.00.

4. Signs. The Public Works Director in coordination with other City staff is hereby directed to erect signs giving notice of the speed limit. At a minimum signs shall be placed at the following locations;

Rattlesnake Road- 297 feet North of Sanders Lane on the Northbound side of the road

Rattlesnake Road - 332 feet south from Little Rattler on the southbound side of the road

Sanders Lane- 365 feet west of Broadway westbound side of road

Sanders Lane - 365 feet east of Rattlesnake Road eastbound side of road.

Broadway Street- 264 feet north of Roadrunner Trail on northbound side of road

Broadway Street- 248 feet southbound from the northside of the cementary

Broadway Street- 130 feet south of Sanders Lane on the southbound side

5. Effective Date. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be after this Ordinance is signed by the Mayor and published in accordance with applicable law. This Ordinance shall not go into effect for enforcement until the applicable signs provided for herein are erected.

PASSED this 13th day of July, 2010.

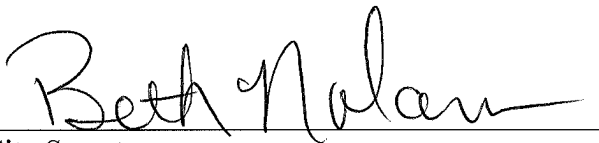
CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS



Dave Ross, Mayor

The foregoing Ordinance was considered at a meeting of the City Council duly posted for and held on July 13, 2010 in accordance with Chapter 551 of the *Government Code*. The Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 AYES to 0 NAYS.

ATTEST:



City Secretary
City of Riesel, Texas