

ORDINANCE NO 2014-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS ESTABLISHING 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON CHARLES 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, the City has re-constructed Charles Street within the boundaries of the City of Riesel, and

WHEREAS, Charles Street runs to the high school and runs through a residential area. This area is an area where children and pedestrians of all ages are likely to be present, 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 Charles Street, 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 on Charles Street.

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

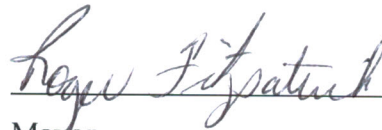
1. Incorporation of Recitals as Findings. The foregoing recitals are incorporated as findings and determinations of the City Council.
2. Establishment of Speed Limit. The speed limit (maximum speed) for Charles Street from its intersection with State Highway 6 to its intersection with South Fairpark is hereby set and established to be 20 miles per hour. The street as identified from intersection to intersection above is hereinafter referred to as "Reduced Speed Zone."
3. Offense. It is unlawful for any person to operate a vehicle within the Reduced Speed Zone established in this Ordinance at a speed in excess of the maximum speed established in Section 2 above. The offense is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200.00.

4. Signs. The Chief of Police in coordination with other City staff is hereby directed to erect signs giving notice of the speed limit.

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 11th day of November, 2014.

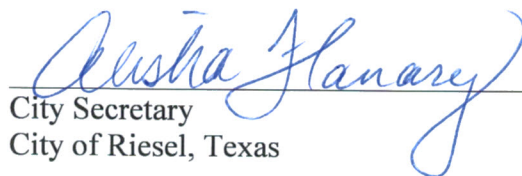
CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS



Mayor
City of Riesel, Texas

The foregoing Ordinance was considered at a meeting of the City Council duly posted for and held on November 11, 2014 in accordance with Chapter 551 of the *Government Code*. The Ordinance passed by a vote of 4 AYES to 0 NAYS. 1- Abstained

ATTEST:


City Secretary
City of Riesel, Texas

