

ORDINANCE NO 2012-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS
ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMIT ON PORTION OF ADAMS
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 constructed a playground/park located close to Adams Street within the boundaries of the City of Riesel, and

WHEREAS, this will be an area where children play, and children are likely to be present on or near the park property, 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 this portion of Adams Street given the presence of children, 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 this portion of Adams Street.

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

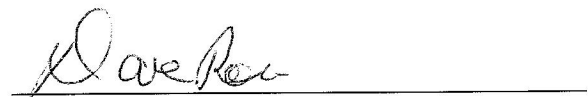
1. Incorporation of Recitals as Findings. The foregoing recitals are incorporated as findings and determinations of the City Council.
2. Establishment of Speed Limit. The speed limit (maximum speed) for the portion of Adams Street from its intersection with State Highway 6 to its intersection with Church Street is hereby set and established to be 15 miles per hour. The area of Adams Street affected by this Ordinance 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 10th day of May, 2012.

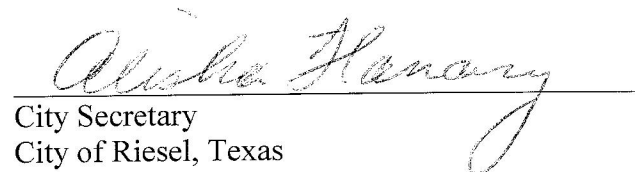
CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS



Dave Ross, Mayor

The foregoing Ordinance was considered at a meeting of the City Council duly posted for and held on May 10th in accordance with Chapter 551 of the *Government Code*. The Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 AYES to 0 NAYS.

ATTEST:



Alisha Hanary
City Secretary
City of Riesel, Texas