

ORDINANCE NO 2012-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS ESTABLISHING SCHOOL ZONES, SETTING REDUCED SPEED LIMITS FOR SCHOOL ZONES DURING SCHOOL HOURS OR WHEN CHILDREN ARE PRESENT, PROVIDING THAT VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE IS AN OFFENSE (MISDEMEANOR) PUNISHABLE BY A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$500.00, PROVIDING FOR SIGNS, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. [Affected Streets: South Fair Park Street and Charles Street]

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

1. Definitions.
 - (a) School Hours shall mean the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. on any day when the Riesel Independent School District holds classes.
 - (b) School Zone shall mean the reduced speed areas designated by the City Council herein to facilitate student safety.
 - (c) When Children are Present shall mean any time other than School Hours when children are in the area to attend school functions or school-related functions at or on the grounds of the Riesel Independent School District school.
2. School Zones Established. The following school zones are hereby established by the City Council:
 - (a) The portion of South Fair Park street beginning at and including the intersection of South Fair Park Street and East Frederick Street and continuing South approximately 2,332 feet; and
 - (b) The portion of Charles Street beginning at and including the intersection of Charles Street and South Fair Park Street and continuing West approximately 2,400 feet to the intersection of Charles Street and Jena Street.
3. Reduced Speed Limits in School Zones

The maximum prima facie speed limit in the School Zones established in this Ordinance shall be 10 miles per hour during School Hours or When Children are Present. The Police Chief is directed to cause to be erected at or near the beginning and end of each School Zone a traffic sign notifying motorists of the reduced speed limit.

4. Violation of this Ordinance an Offense/Punishment

A motorist exceeding the posted speed limit in a School Zone of 10 miles per hour during School Hours or When Children are Present commits an offense under this Ordinance (Misdemeanor) punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

5. Effective Date

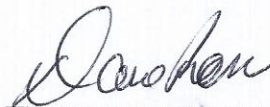
The effective date of this Ordinance shall be after this Ordinance is signed by the Mayor and published in accordance with applicable law. This Ordinance shall not go into effect for enforcement until the applicable signs provided for herein are erected.

6. Severability Clause

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance, that no portion hereof, or provision or regulation contained herein, shall become inoperative or fail by reasons of the unconstitutionality or invalidity of any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase or provision of this Ordinance.

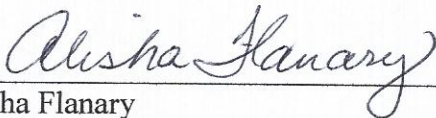
PASSED this 13th day of NOVEMBER, 2012.

CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS



Dave Ross – Mayor
City of Riesel, Texas

ATTEST:



Alisha Flanary
City Secretary
City of Riesel, Texas