

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 23-032-00

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 12 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 12.02 TO ADD SECTION 12.02.07 RADAR DISPLAY SIGNS; AUTHORIZING THE ERECTION OF RADAR DISPLAY SIGNS AND DEVICES; REQUIRING THAT NEW SCHOOL ZONES INCLUDE THE ERECTION OF RADAR DISPLAY SIGNS IN THEIR SCHOOL ZONES, MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Whereas, the placement, installation, erection and enforcement of traffic control signs and devices on the city streets to control, regulate, and direct the travel and operation of motor vehicles and conveyances is essential and necessary to the public safety;

Whereas, the regulation of traffic movement within schools zones is essential to the safety of children and families;

Whereas, the City of Leander, Texas (the "City") has caused traffic control devices and signs to be placed, installed and erected on the City streets;

Whereas, Radar Display Signs reduce accidental violations of speed limits by notifying the drivers visually of their current speed and how it applied to the current posted speed limit;

Whereas, City Council for the City of Leander desires to utilize Radar Display Signs in School Zones, authorize the addition of such signs to existing school zones and require such signs in every new school zone.

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

SECTION 1. Findings. The foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes as findings of fact.

SECTION 2. Adding Section 12.02.07 “Radar Display Signs” Article 12.02, Chapter 12, Leander Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to include Section 12.02.07 “Radar Display Signs” as follows

Section 12.02.07 Radar Display Signs

- (a) “Radar Display Signs” or “RDS” refers to traffic control signs that reflect the current speed of passing vehicles on the face of the sign.

- (b) The erection of Radar Display Signs that are permanently affixed to the ground is hereby authorized in any school zone within the City of Leander.
- (c) Permanently affixed Radar Display Signs must be erected in all new school zones within the City of Leander.
- (d) Unless City approval otherwise is obtained from City Council, all new schools, and any schools requesting a new or amended school zone, are responsible for the erection of permanently affixed Radar Display Signs, including all costs, necessary coordination with the City of Leander and City of Leander Police Department. The type, vendor, location and method of installation of Radar Display Signs will be determined by the Leander Police Department.
- (e) Unless approved otherwise in writing by the City, all Radar Display Signs become property of the City once installed and subject to the City's maintenance and control.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications hereof which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in the manner set forth with the provisions of the Local Gov't Code.

SECTION 6. Open Meetings. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapt. 551, Loc. Gov't. Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 1st day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS:

Dara Crabtree, City Secretary

Christine DeLisle, Mayor