



**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE**

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January 16, 2026

Todd Newton  
Clerk of Court  
Gilchrist County  
112 S. Main Street  
PO Box 37  
Trenton, FL 32693

Dear Todd Newton,

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge receipt of your electronic copy of Gilchrist County Ordinance No. 2026-03, which was filed in this office on January 15, 2026.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Leijon  
Administrative Code and Register Director

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**GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A 35-MILE-PER-HOUR SPEED LIMIT ON NW 55<sup>th</sup> AVENUE FROM COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 236 SOUTH TO COUNTY ROAD NUMBER 342; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATION; PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CODIFIER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Gilchrist County, Florida is responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Gilchrist County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that establishing a lower speed limit on a portion of SW 10th Street is necessary to protect the safety of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 316.189, Florida Statutes authorizes counties to establish and set speed zones.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.** The Code of Ordinances of Gilchrist County, Florida, Section 82-2 is amended as follows:

**Sec. 82-2. Speed Limits**

(a) The following schools zones are hereby created:

- (1) Immediately adjacent to the Bell High School and the Bell Elementary School, outside the Bell Town limits from 30 minutes prior to the beginning of any school activity, including any breakfast program prior to the beginning of school, each school day until 10 minutes after the beginning of school; and from the end of the school day until 30 minutes after the end of the school day. The speed limit within the school zone shall be **15 miles per hour**.
- (2) Immediately adjacent to the Riverside Christian School on County Road SW 341 from 30 minutes prior to the beginning of any school activity, including any breakfast program prior to the beginning of school, each school day until 10



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TODD NEWTON, CLERK  
BY: K. J. [Signature]  
Deputy Clerk  
Dated: 1/16/2026

minutes after the beginning of school; and from the end of the school day until 30 minutes after the end of the school day. The speed limit within this school zone shall be **30 miles per hour**.

- (b) There shall be a **25-mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county roads and the posting of the 25-mile-per hour speed:
  - (1) The speed limit immediately adjacent to the Bell High School and the Bell Elementary School, outside the Bell Town limits, at times other than specified in subsection (a)(1).
- (c) There shall be a **30-mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county roads and the posting of the 30-mile-per-hour speed:
  - (1) Waccasassa Road, from one-fourth mile north of SE 78<sup>th</sup> Street to one-fourth mile south of SE 88<sup>th</sup> Lane.
  - (2) Gay Road, NW 30<sup>th</sup> Street from SR 49 (U.S. 129) to NW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue to CR 340.
  - (3) CR 232, from SR 26 north to Nature Coast Trail.
  - (4) SE 64<sup>th</sup> Street from CR 337 east to SR 26.
  - (5) NW 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace from CR 340 south to NW 35<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - (6) SE 40<sup>th</sup> Street from CR 337 to SE 57<sup>th</sup> Court.
  - (7) Northwest 60<sup>th</sup> Street between U.S. Highway 129 and Northwest 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (8) SW 32<sup>nd</sup> Place from U.S. Highway 129 east to SW 37<sup>th</sup> Trail.
  - (9) SW 37<sup>th</sup> Trail from SW 32<sup>nd</sup> Place to SW 17<sup>th</sup> Court.
  - (10) SW 17<sup>th</sup> Court from SW 50<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 32<sup>nd</sup> Place.
  - (11) SW 50<sup>th</sup> Street from U.S. Highway 129 to the end of said SW 50<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - (12) SE 50<sup>th</sup> Street from CR 337 to the end of said SE 50<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - (13) SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street from CR 341 to U.S. Highway 129.
  - (14) NW 5<sup>th</sup> Street from U.S. Highway 129 to Southwest 22<sup>nd</sup> Court.
  - (15) SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Court from NW 5<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 17<sup>th</sup> Place.

- (16) SW 47<sup>th</sup> Court between CR 232 and CR 344.
- (17) Southeast 97<sup>th</sup> Trail between CR 319 and SE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- (18) Northwest 47<sup>th</sup> Place between NW 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue and U.S. Highway 129.
- (19) Northeast 2<sup>nd</sup> Court in its entirety.
- (20) Northwest 72<sup>nd</sup> Place, between U.S. Highway 129 and N.W. 22<sup>nd</sup> Court.
- (21) Southwest 70<sup>th</sup> Street between Southwest 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue and County Road 232.
- (22) Northwest 52<sup>nd</sup> Place, between U.S. Highway 129 and NW 22<sup>nd</sup> Court.
- (23) Southwest 40<sup>th</sup> Street, between U.S. Highway 129 and County Road 341.
- (24) Southwest 15<sup>th</sup> Court, between Southwest 100<sup>th</sup> Street and the City Limits of the City of Trenton.
- (25) Southwest 25<sup>th</sup> Place from Southwest 25<sup>th</sup> Street to the terminus of Southwest 25<sup>th</sup> Place.
- (26) Southeast 60<sup>th</sup> Street between County Road 337 and Southeast 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- (27) Southwest 80<sup>th</sup> Street between County Road 341 and County Road 232.
- (28) Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Court from County Road 232 south to the end of Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Court.
- (29) Southwest 70<sup>th</sup> Street from County Road 341 west to the Suwannee River.
- (30) Northwest and Northeast 112 Place from NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Northeast 2<sup>nd</sup> Way.
- (31) Southwest 80<sup>th</sup> Street West from County Road Number 307 to Southwest 83<sup>rd</sup> Terrace.
- (32) Southwest 80<sup>th</sup> Way from County Road 344 North to Southwest 86<sup>th</sup> Way.
- (33) Southwest 100th Street from U. S. Highway 129 West to Southwest 22nd Court.
- (34) County Road 307A between U.S. Highway 129 and a point that is 1662 feet west of U.S. Highway 129, subject at all times to all speed limit requirements and posting for the school zone as established by the City of Trenton, Florida during the times and speed limits set forth under City of Trenton ordinance for said school zone.

- (35) Southeast 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South of SE 70<sup>th</sup> Street, Southeast 71<sup>st</sup> Place, and Southeast 63<sup>rd</sup> Terrace extending to the intersection with State Road Number 26.
- (36) Southwest 15<sup>th</sup> Street from U.S. Highway 129 West to Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Court.
- (37) Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Court from Southwest 15<sup>th</sup> Street to Southwest 17<sup>th</sup> Place.
- (38) Southwest 17<sup>th</sup> Place from Southwest 42<sup>nd</sup> Court to Southwest 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- (39) NW 15<sup>th</sup> Street from County Road Number 313 to County Road Number 341.
- (40) NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street from U.S. Highway 129 extending Easterly to NW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- (d) There shall be a **35 mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county roads and the posting of the 35-mile-per-hour speed:
  - (1) NW 55<sup>th</sup> Street, from the intersection with NW 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue west to the end of NW 55<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - (2) NE 65<sup>th</sup> Street, beginning at State Road 47 and extending Easterly to NE 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (3) NW 32<sup>ND</sup> Place, beginning at U.S. Highway 129 and extending Westerly to NW 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (4) SE 17<sup>th</sup> Trail from State Road Number 47 extending Easterly to SE 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (5) SE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, (also known as Shady Grove Road), extending Southerly from State Road Number 26 to the Gilchrist County Line.
  - (6) SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Lane, extending Southwesterly from County Road Number 341 to SW 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (7) SW 85th Street, from the Corner of SW 82nd Court West to SW 93rd Court.
  - (8) SW 10th Street, from County Road No. 341 West to SW 80th Avenue.
  - (9) NW 55<sup>TH</sup> Avenue from County Road Number 236 South to County Road Number 342.
- (e) There shall be a **40-mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county roads and the posting of the 40-mile-per-hour speed:

- (1) Northwest 10<sup>th</sup> Street from the Bell town limits west to the terminus of Northwest 10<sup>th</sup> Street in Section 29, Township 8 South, Range 15 East, except within school zones during posted hours.
- (2) NE 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue North from County Road No. 340 to the intersection with NE 62<sup>nd</sup> Place.
- (f) There shall be a **45-mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county roads and the posting of the 45-mile-per-hour speed:
  - (1) CR 232, north of Nature Coast Trail for 1 mile.
  - (2) CR 340 from the Dixie County Line east for one half mile.
  - (3) CR 232 between the intersection of CR 232 with U.S. Highway 129 and a point one mile east of the intersection of CR 232 and U.S. Highway 129.
  - (4) CR 340 for a distance of one half mile east and a distance of one mile west of the intersection of said CR 340 with U.S. Highway 129.
  - (5) CR 307 between CR 344 and State Road 129.
  - (6) Southwest 20<sup>th</sup> Street between County Road 341 and Southwest 75<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - (7) County Road 307A from a point 1662 feet west of U.S. Highway 129 extending west for 2801 feet.
  - (8) Northeast 2<sup>nd</sup> Way from County Road 138 extending to the intersection with Northeast 120<sup>th</sup> Loop.
  - (9) A portion of County Road 334A in front of Bethel Baptist Church and a portion of County 334 in front of Cherry Sink Church of Christ, extending North and South on County Road 334A from the location of Bethel Baptist Church for 500 feet in either direction, and extending East and West on County Road 334 from the location of the Cherry Sink Church of Christ, for 500 feet in either direction.
  - (10) NW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue North from NW County Road No. 340 to NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - (11) A portion of County Road 337 beginning 2.7 miles South of State Road 26 and extending for 1.6 miles.
- (g) There shall be a **50-mile-per-hour** speed limit on the following county road and the posting of the 50-mile-per-hour speed limit:
  - (1) Southwest 10<sup>th</sup> Street from U.S. Highway 129 west to County Road 341.

(h) The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the expenditure of county funds for the erection of speed limit signs in the affected areas listed in subsections (a)-(g) of this section. Signs shall be erected in accordance with the standards for speed limit signs as contained in the Florida Administrative Code.

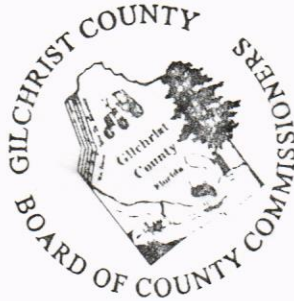
(i) Violation of the speed limits established under this section shall be cited as a moving violation, punishable as provided in Chapter 318, Florida Statutes.

(j) All previously established speed limits, except as amended by this Ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect and are unaffected hereby.

**Section 2.** The Codifier shall include Section 1 of this ordinance in the code of Ordinances of Gilchrist County. Language underlined is added. Language with strike-through shall be deleted.

**Section 3.** A certified copy of this ordinance shall be filed with the Florida Department of State by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and shall take effect upon receipt of official acknowledgement from the Department of State that this ordinance has been filed.

This Ordinance is passed this 15th day of January, 2026, on motion made by Commissioner Bill Martin; Seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford; on a vote of 4 to 0.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA

Darrell Smith  
Darrell Smith, Chair

ATTEST:

Todd Newton  
Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court