ORDINANCE 2013-E (AMENDS ORDINANCES #7; 18-1; AND 1985-C)

AN ORDIANCE FOR THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL, BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS REGULATING THE VEHICLE SPEED LIMIT WITH IN THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL; ALSO PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR ANY VIOLATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND THE SEVERABILITY.

BE IT ORDANINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL, BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that for the purpose of providing safe driving conditions on the roads within the City of Liverpool and to provide for the safety and protection of all persons within the City of Liverpool.

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Article 827A, Vernon's Penal Code of the State of Texas, provides that whenever the governing body of the City shall determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any prima facie speed therein set forth is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist on any intersection or other place or upon any part of a street or highway within the City, taking into consideration the width and conditions found to exist at such time, and that no operator shall drive any vehicle upon a roadway at such speeds as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person.

SECTION 2: PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, The Uniform Act Regulating Traffic on Highways as set out in Article 6701b of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, is hereby adopted as part of this ordinance as is set out at length herein and it shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision of such act within the City of Liverpool.

No vehicle shall be operated or allowed to remain upon any street in such manner as to block the roadway from traffic being able to pass.

No vehicle shall be parked against the flow of traffic. The vehicle must be parked on the side of the roadway in the same direction as the flow of traffic.

No person shall stand or loiter on any roadway in a manner that shall interfere with the lawful movement of traffic.

The chief of police and all other duly elected or appointed officers of the police department are hereby authorized to direct all traffic in accordance with the provisions of this chapter or, in an emergency, as public safety or convenience may require, and it

shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of such police officer on duty.

Any operator of a vehicle on a street or roadway within the city limits shall operate the same at a careful and prudent speed not greater than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the roadway and of any other conditions then existing, and no operator shall drive any vehicle upon a roadway at such speeds as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person. The city council may, by ordinance, from time to time provide for prima facie speed limits on certain streets and roadways within the city limits. The speed limits so ordained shall be posted by appropriate signs on the streets and roadways covered. Except as provided in such ordinances, rates of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section. The following roads shall be 30 Mph:

- A. From the Railroad tracks on CR 192 all the way down CR 192 until the City Limits
- B. From the intersection of CR 192 and CR 171, down CR 171 until the intersection of CR 171 and Surrey Drive.
- C. From the intersection of CR 192 and CR 171 headed towards Danbury until the City Limits.
- D. All streets within the City of Liverpool, unless specified within this ordinance.

Upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation heretofore made as authorized by provisions of V.T.C.A., Transportation Code Ch. 545.356 et seq., the following prima facie speed limits hereafter indicated for vehicles are hereby determined and declared to be reasonable and safe; and such speed limits are hereby fixed at the rate of speed indicated for vehicles traveling upon the named streets and highways, or parts thereof, described as follows:

- A. From the intersection of CR 171 and Surrey Drive to the intersection of CR 171 and CR 2917 the speed limit shall be 45 Mph.
- B. From the intersection of Highway 35 and CR 192 to 230 feet before the railroad tracks the speed limit shall be 45 Mph.

SECTION 3: INFORCEMENT

Any person who violates any part of this ordinance shall be charge with a misdemeanor which shall be punishable by a fine no less than ten (10) dollars and no more than two hundred, and fifty (250) dollars.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILTY

Should any section, provision, or part of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining parts, and for this purpose said parts are severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would be passed those parts of this ordinance which are valid and omitted parts which may be unconstitutional at the time of the passage of this ordinance.

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF may, 2013

Bill Strickland, Mayor

ATTEST:

Raquel Fernandez, City Secretary