

CITY OF CENTRAL

BY COUNCILMEMEBER MYER

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-20

AN ORDINANCE TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON STREETS AND ROADWAYS WITHOUT A POSTED SPEED LIMIT AND IN RECOGNIZED SUBDIVISIONS AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, upon incorporation the City of Central enacted speed limits consistent with those in effect in East Baton Rouge Parish;

WHEREAS, the current speed limit for streets and roadways without a posted speed limit and in recognized subdivisions is 30 miles per hour unless the speed limit was reduced within a recognized subdivision to 25 miles per hour by a petition process;

WHEREAS, East Baton Rouge Parish and other municipalities in surrounding parishes have reduced the speed limit in recognized subdivisions to 25 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of Central has determined that the public health, safety, and welfare of Central’s residents will be better served by enacting a consistent speed limit for streets and roadways without a posted speed limit and streets and roadways in recognized subdivisions;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Central, State of Louisiana as follows:

Section 1. Sections 11:131(b) and 132 as enacted by Ordinance No. 2005-05 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 11:131. Maximum limits.

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(b) Subject to the restrictions imposed by section 11:130, where there are no signs posted indicating speed limits on non-striped residential streets in recognized subdivisions, the speed limit applicable to that street or roadway shall be 25 miles per hour, and no driver shall drive in excess thereof.

Sec. 11:132. Prima facie limits.

It is hereby recognized that engineering and traffic studies show that the speed limit of 25 miles per hour required under section 11:131(b) is more rigid than is necessary for safe operation of certain vehicles upon certain streets and roadways or portions thereof by reason of the designation and sign posting of such streets as through streets or by reason of widely spaced intersections, and it is hereby declared that the prima facie The speed limit posted upon these

streets, roadways or portions thereof shall be as therein stated, which speed so declared shall be effective at all times when signs are erected giving notice thereto.

Section 2. Section 11:134 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. Conflicts. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or parts thereof, other than the part declared invalid. The remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected by the declaration of invalidity and shall remain in force and effect.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication.

Introduced on this 14th day of May, 2019.

Notice of public hearing was published in The Advocate on the 23rd day of May, 2019.

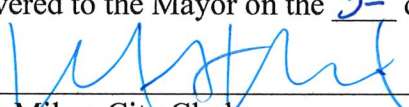
This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

For: Evans, Freneaux, McKinney, Moak, Myer, Roy
Against: None
Absent: Wells

Adopted this 28th day of May, 2019.

Signed this 31st day of May, 2019.

Delivered to the Mayor on the 3rd day of June, 2019.



Mark Miley, City Clerk

Approved:



David R. Barrow, Mayor

Received from Mayor on the 3rd day of June, 2019.



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Adopted Ordinance published in The Advocate on the 8th day of June, 2019.