ORDINANCE NO. 2025-60

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS; AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, RELATED TO CHAPTER 12 TITLED "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES," AMENDING SECTION 12.03.004 TITLED "INSTALLATION", AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT, ENACTMENT, EFFECTIVE DATE, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop ("City") has the responsibility to address any public health and safety problems; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop Streets and Drainage Department and the City of Bastrop Police Department are seeking to amend Ordinance 12.03.004 to include the process for installing a traffic-control signal, sign, or device in order to properly update and accurately maintain an inventory of all traffic control devices throughout the city, on file with the City Secretary; and

WHEREAS, due to the need for periodic implementation of traffic control devices, the need to update the inventory in accordance with current ordinances and for the purpose of accuracy and efficiency, the City Council desires to adopt future changes by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has exclusive control over and under its public streets and may control or regulate certain aspects of the movement of vehicles pursuant to Texas Transportation Code Chapter 311, and

WHEREAS, the City has the full power of local self-government as recognized by Tex. Loc. Gov't Code § 51.072; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the attached amendments reasonable and necessary.

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

Section 1: FINDINGS OF FACT

The facts and recitations set forth in the preamble of this ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct.

Section 2: AMENDMENT

Chapter 12 Article 12.03.004 is hereby amended to read as set forth with the underlines / red being additions, double underlines being moved text, and strikethroughs being deletions.

- (a) Process. The Director of Streets and Drainage, in conjunction with the Chief of Police, shall conduct a traffic analysis applicable to the location. If it is determined by the Streets and Drainage Director and the Chief of Police that in the interest of safety an official traffic-control device, signal or sign is warranted, the proposal will be presented before the City Council as a resolution, enabling the approved traffic control devices to be maintained as a living document on file with the City Secretary.
- (b) Generally. The City Council shall by ordinance direct that the City Manager have the duty of erecting or installing upon, over, along or beside any highway, street or alley, traffic-control signs, signals and markings or causing the same to be erected, installed or placed in accordance with this article and consistent with the manual. Said traffic-control devices shall be installed immediately, or as soon as such specific device, sign, or signal can be procured.

(C) Reports. Whenever the City Manager has erected and installed any official traffic-controlled device, signal or sign at any location in the city, or has caused the same to be done under his direction, in obedience to this article and the manual, he shall thereafter file a report with the City Secretary in writing and signed officially by the City Manager, stating the type of traffic control device, sign or signal and when and where the same was erected and installed. The City Secretary shall file and maintain such report of the installation among the official papers of the office of the City Secretary in accordance with article 12.04 of this chapter.

<u>Section 3: REPEALER</u> To the extent reasonably possible, ordinances are to be read together in harmony. However, all ordinances, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated herein.

Section 4: SEVERABILITY

Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this ordinance.

<u>Section 5: CODIFICATION</u> The City Secretary is hereby directed to record and publish the attached rules, regulations and policies in the City's Code of Ordinances as authorized by Section 52.001 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Section 6: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of final passage noted below, or when all applicable publication requirements, if any, are satisfied in accordance with the City's Charter, Code of Ordinances, and the laws of the State of Texas.

READ & ACKNOWLEDGED on the First Reading on this, the 8th day of July, 2025.

READ & APPROVED on the Second Reading on this, the 22nd day of July, 2025.

APPROVED:

Ishmael Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Muscarello, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal & Zech. P.C.

Exhibit 'A'

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No Further Entries