



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE ORDINANCE

MEETING DATE: 05/06/2025

PRESENTER: Caryl DeVries, P.E., PTOE, Director of Transportation and Mobility

TITLE: Ordinance amending Schedule II of the Traffic Register by establishing a speed limit within Grand Prairie City limits and lowering the existing posted limit on US 287 from 65 MPH to 60 MPH

REVIEWING COMMITTEE: (Reviewed by the City Council Development Committee on 04/15/2025)

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

The Texas Department of Transportation, Ellis Area Office, has conducted an investigation and requested that the City of Grand Prairie adopt an ordinance lowering the posted limit on US 287 from 65 MPH to 60 MPH within the City of Grand Prairie City limits as follows:

STREET OR PART OF	MAXIMUM SPEED	TIME EFFECTIVE
US 287	60 MPH	At All Times

From: Kimble Rd (MP 3.898)

To: 466 feet South of Davis Rd (MP 2.838)

ATTACHMENTS / SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

1- Exhibit A

BODY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, AMENDING SCHEDULE II OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE TRAFFIC REGISTER BY LOWERING THE EXISTING POSTED SPEED LIMIT ON US 287 FROM 65 MPH TO 60 MPH WITHIN THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE CITY LIMITS; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00) DOLLARS FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AFTER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, Section 545.356, Texas Transportation Code, 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 at any intersection or other place or upon any part of a street or highway, within the City, taking into consideration the width and condition of the pavement and other circumstances on such portion of said street or highway, as well as the usual traffic thereon, said governing body may determine and declare a reasonable and safe prima facie speed limit thereat or thereon by the passage of an ordinance, which shall be effective when appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected at such intersection or other place or part of the street or highway.

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

SECTION 1. Upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation heretofore made as authorized by the provisions of Transportation Code, Section 545.356, the prima facie speed limits indicated for vehicles on the attached Exhibit "A" (strip map) 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.

SECTION 2. From and after the passage of this speed zone ordinance and erection of a sign giving notice of the adopted speed limit, no motor vehicle shall be operated along and upon United States Highway 287 within the corporate limits of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas in excess of sixty (60) miles per hour.

SECTION 3. All provisions of the Ordinances of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions of the Ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. An offense committed before the effective date of this ordinance is governed by prior law and the provisions of the Grand Prairie Code of Ordinances and Traffic Register in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for this purpose.

SECTION 5. Should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this ordinance, be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Any person violating any of the provisions or terms of this Ordinance shall be subject to the same penalty as provided for in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Prairie as heretofore amended and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption, as the law and charter in such cases provides.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 6TH DAY OF MAY 2025.