



To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Sara Leaders, PE, Public Works Director

Date: Submitted on February 13, 2024 for the February 21, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting First Presentation and the March 4, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Unfinished Business

Agenda Item: Consideration of an Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 56 Article III Speed Limits

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Department Recommendation: Approval

Executive Summary:

The City Council has previously adopted provisions regarding speed limit designations and enforcement, which are codified in Chapter 56, Article III of the Milton Code of Ordinances. O.C.G.A. § 40-6-183 states that a local governing authority may, provided certain conditions are met, determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum vehicle speed limit on streets within its jurisdiction. The City Council has previously established maximum speed limits on designated city streets by ordinance which was codified at Code Sec. 56-43.

Under the Local Road Safety Plan and the Residential Speed Zone Program, there are expected to be regular amendments to the list of roads and speed limits. Staff recommends modifying the ordinance such that the designation of maximum speed zones on city streets may be made by resolution of the City Council.

Legal Review: Jeff Strickland, Jarrard & Davis, LLP – February 12, 2024

Concurrent Review: Steven Krokoff, City Manager

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Attachment(s):

Ordinance to Amend Chapter 56, Article III
Exhibit "A" to Ordinance

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STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MILTON CODE,
CHAPTER 56, ARTICLE III – SPEED LIMITS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to its Charter and other laws of the State of Georgia, the City of Milton, Georgia (the “City”), by and through its governing authority, the Milton City Council (the “City Council”), has the power to adopt reasonable ordinances, resolutions and regulations for the protection and preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously adopted provisions regarding speed limit designations and enforcement, which provisions are codified at Chapter 56, Article III (the “Article”) of the Milton Code (the “Code”); and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 40-6-183 states that a local governing authority may, provided certain conditions are met, determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum vehicle speed limit on streets within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously established maximum speed limits on designated city streets by ordinance which was codified at Code Sec. 56-43; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the Article such that the designation of maximum speed zones on city streets may be made by resolution of the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Milton hereby ordains, while in a regularly called council meeting on _____, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Milton, Georgia, Chapter 56 (Traffic and Vehicles), Article III (Speed Limits), is hereby amended as provided in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. All ordinances, parts of ordinances, or regulations in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ORDAINED this the _____ day of _____, 2024.

Peyton Jamison, Mayor

Attest: _____
Tammy Lowit, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

[The following text of The Code of the City of Milton, Georgia, is to be amended by removing the ~~strike through~~ language and adding the underlined language.]

THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MILTON, GEORGIA

CHAPTER 56 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

ARTICLE III. SPEED LIMITS

Sec. 56-43. Enumerated.

The maximum speed limit on the public streets or parts of the public streets ~~are set forth in the schedules in this section, shall be adopted by resolution of the Mayor and City Council. The City Council may amend the list of locations and speed limits from time to time by resolution and pursuant to the statutes and regulations governing applications for permits to use speed detection devices in the state. The adopted speed limits shall be on file with the city clerk.~~

LIST OF ROADWAYS
for
CITY OF MILTON
ON-SYSTEM

STATE ROUTE	WITHIN THE CITY/TOWN LIMITS OF and/or School Name	FROM	MILE POINT	TO	MILE POINT	LENGTH IN MILES	SPEED LIMIT
9	MILTON	Windward Pkwy. (N. Alpharetta City Limits)	27.04	Forsyth County Line	30.10	3.06	45
140	MILTON	Cherokee County Line	0.00	0.15 mi. south of Green Road	3.01	3.01	45
372 *	MILTON	0.03 mi. north of Green Road	0.57	0.11 mi. south of Spring Falls Road	2.08	1.51	35
372 **** SCHOOL ZONE ****	MILTON <i>Crabapple Crossing Elementary School and Northwestern Middle School</i>	0.39 mi. south of Kensington Farms Drive	1.33	0.18 mi. north of Kensington Farms Drive	1.90	0.57	25
372	MILTON	0.11 mi. south of Spring Falls Road	2.08	0.47 mi. north of Nix Road	7.02	4.94	45

372 *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Birmingham Falls Elementary School</i>	528 feet north of Wood Road	5.26	0.30 mi. north of Wood Road	5.46	0.20	35
372	MILTON	0.47 mi. north of Nix Road	7.02	0.10 mi. north of New Bullpen Road	7.49	0.47	45
372	MILTON	0.10 mi. north of New Bullpen Road	7.49	Cherokee County Line	8.89	1.40	45

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OFF-SYSTEM

ROAD-NAME	WITHIN THE CITY/TOWN LIMITS-OF and/or School Name	FROM	TO	LENGTH IN MILES	SPEED LIMIT
Affirmend Ct.	MILTON	Triple Crown Drive	Cul-de-sac	0.31	25
Alpha Woods Drive	MILTON	Thompson Road	Thomas Creek Court	0.28	25
Arabian Avenue	MILTON	New Providence Road	Dead-end	0.66	25
Avensong Crossing	MILTON	Deerfield Parkway	Dead-end	0.29	25
Avensong Ives Way	MILTON	Serenade Court	Avensong Village Circle	0.27	25
Avensong Village Circle	MILTON	Avensong Ives Way	Dead-end	0.63	25
Barberry Drive	MILTON	The Hermitage Drive	Cul-de-sac	0.48	25
Batesville Road	MILTON	Birmingham Highway	Cherokee County Line	1.30	45
Bay Colt Road	MILTON	Dead-end	Dead-end	0.61	25
Belleterre Drive	MILTON	Bethany Bend	Dead-end	0.64	25
Bethany Bend	MILTON	Hopewell Road	SR-9	2.94	45
Bethany Bend *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Cambridge High School</i>	0.11 mi. West of Cogburn Road	0.26 mi. East of Cogburn Road	0.37	35
Bethany Bend	MILTON	SR-9	McGinnis Ferry/Morris Rd.	1.37	40
Bethany Church Road	MILTON	Bethany Bend	Dead-end	0.53	25
Bethany Road	MILTON	Mayfield Road	Haygood Road/Bethany Bend	2.00	40
Bethany Way	MILTON	Haygood Road/Bethany Road	Hopewell Road	0.70	45
Birmingham Road	MILTON	SR-372	Freemanville Road	0.75	40
Birmingham Road	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Hopewell Road	1.95	45
Broadwell Road	MILTON	Crabapple Road	Rucker Road	0.70	35
Brookshade Parkway	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Oakhurst Leaf Drive	0.42	25
Cogburn Road	MILTON	Webb Road	Bethany Bend	1.41	40
Cogburn Road *** SCHOOL	MILTON <i>Cogburn Woods Elementary School Hopewell Middle</i>	343 feet south of Webb Road	800 feet north of Glaston Way	0.40	25

ZONE ***					
Cogburn Road *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Cambridge High School</i>	0.34 mi. South of Bethany Bend	0.09 mi. North of Bethany Bend	0.43	35
Cogburn Road	MILTON	Bethany Bend	Francis Road	1.34	40
Cowart Road	MILTON	Summit Road	Providence Road	0.45	25
Cox Road	MILTON	SR 140	King Road	0.70	40
Deerfield Parkway	MILTON	Cumming Highway	Windward Parkway	1.65	35
Dinsmore Road	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Thompson Road	1.60	35
Dorris Road	MILTON	Providence Road	Birmingham Highway	1.40	35
Double Springs Way	MILTON	Thompson Springs Drive	Dead-end	0.34	25
Drummond Pond Road	MILTON	North Valleyfield Road	Dead-end	0.38	25
East Bluff Road	MILTON	Thompson Road	Dead-end	1.12	25
Francis Road	MILTON	Cogburn Road	Forsyth County Line	1.54	40
Freemanville Road	MILTON	Mayfield Road	Providence Road	1.74	40
Freemanville Road *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Crabapple Crossing Elem. Northwestern Middle Milton High School</i>	105 feet North of Mayfield Road	1,600 feet North of Mayfield Road	0.28	25
Freemanville Road	MILTON	Providence Road	Mountain Road	4.75	45
Freemanwood Lane	MILTON	Freemanwood Road	Dead-end	0.40	25
Glen Hampton Drive	MILTON	White Columns Drive	Dead-end	0.36	25
Green Road	MILTON	SR140/Arnold Mill Road	SR372/Crabapple Road	0.50	40
Haygood Rd.	MILTON	Bethany Way	Redd Road	0.49	40
Hamby Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Forsyth County Line	1.30	45
Hampton Bluff Drive	MILTON	White Columns Drive	Dead-end	0.39	25
Henderson Heights Drive	MILTON	Henderson Road	Dead-end	0.36	25
Henderson Road	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Birmingham Road	1.40	35
Hickory Flat Road	MILTON	Birmingham Highway	Cherokee County Line	1.70	45
Hipworth Road	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Dead-End	0.75	25
Holly Road	MILTON	SR 140 (Arnold Mill Road)	Dead-end	0.30	25

Hopewell Plantation Drive	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Cogburn Road	1.50	25
Hopewell Road	MILTON	353 feet North of Vaughn Drive	Forsyth County Line	7.70	45
Kensington Farms Drive	MILTON	SR-372	Cul-de-sac	0.86	25
Laconia Lane	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Dead-End	0.50	25
Laurel Grove Drive	MILTON	Dinsmore Road	Dead-end	0.41	25
Longstreet Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Forsyth County Line	1.10	35
Mayfield Road	MILTON	Mid-Broadwell Road	Freemanville Road	0.70	35
McFarlin Lane	MILTON	SR-372	Nakomis Place	0.52	25
McGinnis Ferry Road	MILTON	Morris Road	SR-400	0.60	45
Mid-Broadwell Road	MILTON	Crabapple Road	Charlotte Drive	0.35	40
Morning Park Circle	MILTON	Waterside Drive	Morning Park Circle	0.66	25
Morris Road	MILTON	Deerfield Parkway	McGinnis Ferry Road/Bethany Bend	1.38	35
Mountain Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Freemanville Road	1.64	40
New Bullpen Road	MILTON	Birmingham Highway	Cherokee County Line	0.78	40
New Providence Road	MILTON	Birmingham Highway	Arnold Mill Road	3.50	45
New Providence Road *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Mill Springs Academy</i>	Providence Lake Point	1,035 feet east of Providence Lake Point	0.20	25
North Brookshade Parkway	MILTON	Brookshade Parkway	Dead-end	0.32	25
North Valleyfield Road	MILTON	Dinsmore Road	East Bluff Road	0.30	25
Oakhurst Leaf Drive	MILTON	Dead-end	Dead-end	0.69	25
Oakstone Glen	MILTON	Cogburn Road	Dead-end	0.31	25
Owens Farm Road	MILTON	Birmingham Highway	Old Cedar Lane	0.41	25
Owens Lake Road	MILTON	Owens Farm Road	Owens Way	0.62	25
Petersford Way	MILTON	Kensington Way	Cul-de-sac	0.28	25

Phillips Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Mountain Road	0.60	35
Pony Tail Road	MILTON	Five-Acre Road	Dead-end	0.30	25
Providence Lake Drive	MILTON	New Providence Road	Dead-end	0.98	25
Providence Oaks Street	MILTON	Providence Road	Dead-end	0.45	25
Providence Park Drive	MILTON	Providence Road	Dead-end	0.41	25
Providence Plantation	MILTON	New Providence Road	Blackmaral Lane	0.05	25
Providence Road	MILTON	SR-372	Freemanville Road	0.68	40
Providence Road	MILTON	Freemanville Road	1,000 feet north of Lantern Ridge Drive	2.37	45
Providence Road *** SCHOOL ZONE ***	MILTON <i>Summit Hill Elementary School</i>	2,000 feet west of Cowart Road	175 feet east of Cowart Road	0.47	25
Quayside Drive	MILTON	SR-372	Cul-de-sac	1.22	25
Ranchette Road	MILTON	SR-140/Arnold Mill Road	New Providence Road	0.60	35
Redd Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Freemanville Road	1.20	45
Sable Point Drive	MILTON	Henderson Road	Dead-end	0.26	25
Seabiscuit	MILTON	Affirmend Court	Cul-de-sac	0.50	25
Serenade Court	MILTON	Bethany Bend	Avensong Ives Way	0.54	25
Sonata Lane	MILTON	Avensong Crossing	Cul-de-sac	0.28	25
Stonebrook Farms Drive	MILTON	Thompson Road	Dead-end	0.33	25
Sweetbrier Drive	MILTON	Belleterre Drive	Cul-de-sac	0.25	25
Taylor Road	MILTON	Batesville Road	Birmingham Highway	1.40	45
The Hermitage Drive	MILTON	Cogburn Road	Cul-de-sac	0.50	25
Thompson Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Redd Road	2.40	45
Thompson Road	MILTON	Hopewell Road	Francis Road	1.70	45
Thompson Springs Drive	MILTON	Thompson Road	Dead-end	0.36	25
Thorntree Run	MILTON	Tullmore Way	Cul-de-sac	0.31	25
Treyburn Manor View	MILTON	White Columns Drive	Cul-de-sac	0.58	25
Treyburn Run	MILTON	Treyburn Manor View	Treyburn Manor Drive	0.34	25
Treyburn Manor Drive	MILTON	White Columns Drive	Treyburn Run	0.21	25

Triple Crown Court	MILTON	Triple Crown Drive	Cul-de-sac	0.30	25
Triple Crown Drive	MILTON	SR-372	Cul-de-sac	0.88	25
Tullgean Drive	MILTON	Tullmore Way	Cul-de-sac	0.59	25
Tullmore Way	MILTON	SR-372	Cul-de-sac	0.04	25
Waterside Drive	MILTON	Green Road	Waterside Drive	0.90	25
Webb Road	MILTON	Windward Parkway	Dead-end	1.32	35
White Columns Drive	MILTON	Freemanville Road	Cul-de-sac	1.34	25
Wood Road	MILTON	Phillips Circle	SR-372	1.42	25
Wyndham Farms Drive	MILTON	Cogburn Road	Dead-end	0.47	25

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Sec. 56-44. Use of speed detection devices permitted.

- (a) All city law enforcement personnel who are certified in the use of speed detection devices are authorized to use such devices, in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations, in the locations stated in the schedules in section 56-43 as adopted by City Council resolution, in residential zones or districts as designated per section 56-45, and as approved by the state department of transportation and the state department of public safety.
- (b) The city City Council may add to or amend the list of locations as outlined in the schedules in section 56-43 by resolution or as designated per section 56-45 from time to time pursuant to the statutes and regulations governing applications for permits to use speed detection devices in the state.

Sec. 56-45. Residential Speed Zones.

The City Council may designate “residential zones” or “residential districts” by resolution as eligible residential streets within the City of Milton in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 40-14-8(b).