AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY



MEETING NAME: City Council MEETING DATE: March 3, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Consider and take appropriate action on Ordinance 2025-004

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH AMENDING THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 12 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE 12.04 PARKING REGULATIONS §

12.04.004 DONALD PRESTON DRIVE; PROHIBITING PARKING IN THE DONALD PRESTON DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING

FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

STAFF INITIATOR: Tara Tomlinson, Director of Development Services

BACKGROUND:

Frenship ISD recently contacted the city regarding an ongoing safety concern involving vehicles parked along the bar ditch on Donald Preston Drive, extending from the front of the school westward. Several near-miss incidents have occurred, with pedestrians and vehicles coming dangerously close to accidents. To address this hazard, Frenship ISD proposes installing "No Parking" signs along the ditch to keep the area clear of parked vehicles. With the authority to enforce these regulations, Frenship ISD staff would be responsible for monitoring and ensuring compliance. The next steps will also involve the development of a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Wolfforth Police Department and Frenship ISD.

Under our current ordinance, Article 12.04.004 grants the city manager the authority to install no parking signs along Donald Preston Drive, from Hwy 62/82 to FM 179. To enhance safety around Frenship High School, city staff is recommending an extension of this enforcement zone to include the property line on the south side of Donald Preston Drive, extending for 900 feet. The signs would be purchased and placed, with the placement approval of our staff, along their property by Frenship ISD.

At the preparation of this packet, staff is awaiting the preparation of the Ordinance by the City Attorney. We will have a copy for your review at Monday night's meeting.

EXHIBITS:

- 1. Map of Area
- 2. Article 12.04.004

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

City Staff recommends approval of Ordinance 2025-004.