

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2019

ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARLOWTON, MONTANA, AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE CITY OF HARLOWTON MUNICIPAL CODES CONCERNING VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, TO ADD A NEW SECTION TO ADDRESS THE LIMITED SIGHT LINE OF ONCOMING TRAFFIC BY RESTRICTING DRIVING TO ONE-WAY TRAFFIC ON A AVENUE IN FRONT OF THE WHEATLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified an existing traffic hazard caused by the severely limited ability to see oncoming traffic by drivers approaching U.S. Highway 12 from the north on A Avenue NW due to a private fence recently constructed which blocks the view to the east on Highway 12; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously addressed this issue by placing a traffic mirror on the south side of Highway 12 which provided a view of oncoming traffic to drivers approaching Highway 12 from the north on A Avenue NW; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found that the traffic mirror has been difficult to maintain, perhaps due to high wind in the area; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found that the traffic mirror failed to adequately address its concerns for public safety at this location; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found that the existing Municipal Codes Chapter 10 should be amended to add a section to limit traffic to one-way on A Avenue NW between 3rd Street NW and Highway 12, allowing traffic to flow northward only; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Harlowton to add Section 10.48.010, as provided below:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, City of Harlowton, Montana, as follows:

Section 1: Action

A. The City Council proposes that Chapter 10.48, entitled "Traffic Control," should be added to the existing Municipal Codes, to include new section 10.48.010, to read as follows:

"10.48.010 One-Way Traffic.

“A One-Way traffic only zone is hereby established on A Avenue NW in the City of Harlowton. No person shall be allowed to drive any vehicle in a southerly direction on A Avenue NW, between U.S. Highway 12 and 3rd Street NW.”

Section 2: Repealer

All resolutions, ordinances and sections of the City of Harlowton Municipal Code in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3: Severability


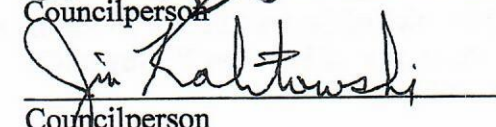
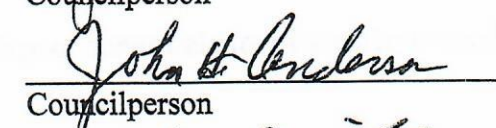
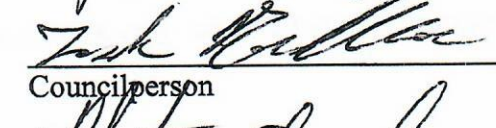
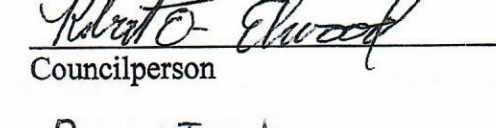
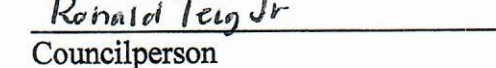
If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which may be given effect without the invalid provision or application and, to this end, the provision of this ordinance is declared to be severable.

Section 4: Effective Date

The First Reading of this ordinance occurred on, and is reflected in the minutes of the City Council dated August 27, 2019.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after passage of the Second Reading.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, ON THIS SECOND READING, by the City Council of the City of Harlowton this 24th day of September, 2019.

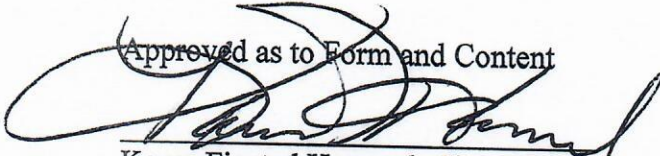
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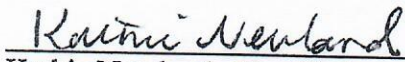
Paul Otten, Mayor

Approved as to Form and Content



Karen Finstad Hammel, City Attorney

ATTEST:



Kathie Newland, City Clerk

