

ORDINANCE NO. 1071

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON ADOPTING A NEW SPEED LIMIT ON CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING CITY STREETS: BURNHAM DRIVE, CANTERWOOD BOULEVARD, HUNT STREET, OLYMPIC DRIVE, PEACOCK HILL AVENUE, POINT FOSDICK DRIVE, 38TH AVENUE NW, 56TH STREET, BORGEN BOULEVARD, BUJACICH ROAD/54TH AVENUE, WOLLOCHET DRIVE, SKANSIE AVENUE AND NORTH HARBORVIEW DRIVE; AMENDING GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 10.14.030, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, RCW 46.61.400 establishes the maximum lawful speed limit on city streets as 25 mph; and

WHEREAS, RCW 46.61.415 provides an authorized agency with the option of altering the maximum speed limit, "on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation" to establish the proper maximum speed limit; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1998, the Gig Harbor Public Works staff conducted an engineering and traffic investigation study regarding the speed limits in some of these areas; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 797, establishing speed limits on certain portions of City Streets was passed by the City Council on July 13, 1998: and

WHEREAS, state and federal guidelines recommend that an authorized agency should reevaluate speed limits on segments of their roadways that have undergone a significant change in roadway characteristics or surrounding land use since the last review or every five years; and

WHEREAS, in November 2006, the Gig Harbor Public Works staff conducted engineering and traffic investigation studies for each roadway segment in the City where the maximum speed limit has been altered; and

WHEREAS, these studies are summarized in the attached summary of data dated November 19, 2006 to the Mayor and City Council from Stephen T. Misiurak, City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that the speed limits on certain portions of City streets be re-established; and

WHEREAS, the City's SEPA Responsible Official has determined that this ordinance is exempt from SEPA under WAC 197-11-800(19); Now, Therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. 10.14.030 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.14.030 Speed Limits. The maximum lawful speed limit for all streets within the City shall be 25 miles per hour, except as designated below:
~~Speed limits shall be established on certain streets and segments of the City as follows:~~

<u>STREET</u>	<u>SPEED</u>
A. Burnham Drive, from the 9400 block To the northwesterly City limits at the State Route 16 interchange at Swede Hill <u>Borgen Boulevard:</u>	35
B. Canterwood Boulevard, from its intersection with Burnham Drive to the northerly city limits:	35
C. Hunt Street, from Skansie Avenue	

	to 38th Avenue:	30
D.	Olympic Drive, from 56th Street to Point Fosdick Drive:	30
E.	Peacock Hill Avenue, from 100th Street Court to the northerly city limits <u>Borgen Boulevard:</u>	35
F.	Point Fosdick Drive, from Olympic Drive to 44th Street:	30
G.	Point Fosdick Drive, from 44th Street to the southerly city limits at <u>36th Street NW:</u>	35
H.	38th Avenue, from 56th Street to Hunt Street:	30
I.	38th Avenue, from 56th Street to Briarwood Lane:	30
J.	56th Street, from Olympic Drive to Westerly city limits (westbound) <u>38th Avenue:</u>	35 <u>30</u>
K.	<u>Borgen Boulevard from the Burnham Drive to Harbor Hill Drive:</u>	<u>35</u>
L.	<u>Borgen Boulevard from Harbor Hill Drive to Peacock Hill Avenue:</u>	<u>35</u>
M.	<u>Bujacich Road/54th Avenue from 500' north of Rosedale Street to the northerly city limits at 96th Street NW:</u>	<u>35</u>
N.	<u>Wollochet Drive from Hunt Street to Eastbound SR 16 Off-Ramp:</u>	<u>35</u>
O.	<u>Skansie Avenue from Hunt Street to 500' south of North Creek Lane:</u>	<u>35</u>
P.	<u>N. Harborview Drive from Burnham Drive to Peacock Hill Avenue:</u>	<u>20</u>
K.	56th Street, from the westerly city limits to The 3600 block (eastbound)	35

L. ~~56th Street, from the 3600 block to Olympic Drive (eastbound):~~ _____ 30

Section 2. The City Traffic Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to cause appropriate speed limit signs to be posted informing the public of the speed limits specified in this ordinance.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

APPROVED:

MAYOR, CHARLES L. HUNTER

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

CITY CLERK, MOLLY TOWSLEE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY _____
CAROL A. MORRIS

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 02/07/07
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