

ORDINANCE NO. # 100

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PETROLIA, TEXAS,
REGULATING THE OPERATION AND MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES**

WHEREAS, a system of laws and rules of the road regulating the operation and movement of motor vehicles is necessary for the public safety and the efficient operation of motor vehicles within the city;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PETROLIA, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Vehicle Operation, Movement, Stopping and Standing: State Laws Applicable

- (a) The state traffic laws regulating the operation, movement, stopping and standing of vehicles shall be applicable upon all streets within the city, except as this ordinance, as authorized by state law, declares.
- (b) Reserved

SECTION 2. Speed: State Speed Laws Applicable

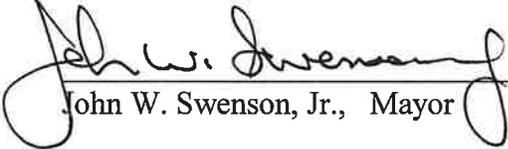
- (a) The state traffic laws regulating the speed of vehicles shall be applicable upon all streets within the city, except as this ordinance, as authorized by state law, declares and determines upon the basis of engineering and traffic investigation that certain speed regulations shall be applicable upon specified streets or in certain areas, in which event it shall be prima facie unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of any speed so declared in this ordinance when signs are in place giving notice thereof.
- (b) Reserved

SECTION 3. Enforcement and Penalties

- (a) All of the streets of this city, and all portions of any such streets, are hereby declared to be public streets and that the driving or operating of any motor vehicle on or along any portion of any street of this city at a rate of speed that is greater than the maximum rate of speed for such portion of such street, as fixed by this ordinance, shall be a misdemeanor, which is named the offense of speeding, and that the offense is punishable by fine in any sum not to exceed \$200.00. The use of the word "speeding" shall be sufficient to designate the offense and shall mean that a motor vehicle has been driven upon a public street at a greater rate of speed than that fixed by this city ordinance for the street and for the zone thereof, that such motor vehicle was so being driven upon, if zoned.

- (b) In prosecutions under this article, for the offense of speeding, the complaint, if in other respects sufficient in form, shall as to the portion thereof seeking to acknowledge the offense, be sufficient if it in substance alleges that the defendant did while driving a motor vehicle in the city commit the offense of speeding.

PASSED by an affirmative vote of the Petrolia City Council, Governing Body of the City of Petrolia, Texas, this 7th day of October, 2003.


John W. Swenson, Jr., Mayor


Pat Haney, City Secretary