

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-xxxx

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 70, ARTICLE II, SECTION 70-22
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA,
TO CHANGE THE SPEED LIMIT ON PORTIONS OF
CANAL ROAD AND STATE HIGHWAY 180**

FINDINGS:

1. The *Code of Alabama* 1975, Section 32-5A-173(a) authorizes local governments, under the conditions set forth herein, to “declare a reasonable and safe maximum” speed upon any highway or part of a highway within their respective jurisdictions.
2. The addition of the roundabout at Bay Circle creates the need for a lower speed limit in that area to provide for the safety of drivers and nearby pedestrians.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Chapter 70, Article II, Section 70-22, subsection (c) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach is hereby amended in part as follows:

(c) *Maximum limits.* Except when one of the hazardous conditions as stated in section (b) exists, which requires a lower speed, the limits hereinafter specified or established shall be maximum lawful speeds, and no person shall operate a vehicle at a speed in excess of such maximum limits.

2. That Chapter 70, Article II, Section 70-22, subsection (c)(2) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) No person shall operate any vehicle on:

- a. State Highway 161 within the urban zone of the Town of Orange Beach at a speed greater than the speed limit posted by the state highway department, currently 45 miles per hour.
- b. Canal Road within the urban zone of the Town of Orange Beach at a speed greater than 35 miles per hour from the intersection of State Highway 161 eastward to Bay Circle; at a speed greater than 40 miles per hour from Bay Circle eastward to Wilson Boulevard; at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour from Wilson Boulevard eastward to the furthest eastern point of Canal Road; or as otherwise posted by the state highway department;
- c. State Highway 180 within the urban zone of the Town of Orange Beach at a speed greater than 40 miles per hour from the intersection of State Highway 161 westward to the intersection of Wharf Parkway West; at a speed greater than 50 miles per hour from the intersection of Wharf Parkway West westward to the city limit; or as otherwise posted by the state highway department;
- d. State Highway 182 within the Urban Zone of the Town of Orange Beach at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour, or as otherwise posted by the state highway department.

1. No person shall operate a motor vehicle at a greater speed than 35 miles per hour on State Highway 182 from Milepost 16.80 to Milepost 17.08 (Florida line).

- e. The following collector or thoroughfare streets at a speed greater than 35 miles per hour:

1. Gulf Bay Road, north from Highway 180 to the 90 degree turn to the west.

2. Marina Road, east from Highway 161 to the entrance to the Gulf State Park Boggy Point Boat Launch.

f. The following non-standard streets at a speed greater than 15 miles per hour:

1. Dowty Lane;
2. Illinois Street;
3. Jubilee Point Road;
4. Look Rook Road;
5. Moses Road;
6. Nana Brown Drive;
7. Perdido Avenue West;
8. Polaris Street;
9. Tiger Brown Avenue.

g. The following residential streets at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour:

1. Pine Boulevard;
2. Pine Way;
3. Caribe Drive;
4. Lianna Court;
5. Lexmark Court;
6. Majestic Court.

3. That all ordinances, resolutions or parts in conflict with this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are repealed; and
4. That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF MAY, 2023.

Renee Eberly
City Clerk

The City Clerk of the City of Orange Beach, Alabama hereby certifies that the foregoing ORDINANCE 2023-xxxx was posted on _____ in the following three (3) public places:
Orange Beach City Hall _____
Orange Beach Post Office _____
Orange Beach Public Library _____

Renee Eberly, City Clerk