

ORDINANCE NO. 2187

ORDINANCE AMENDING SELAH MUNICIPAL CODE (SMC) SECTION 8.70.040(k)
REGARDING THE MAXIMUM VEHICLE SPEED LIMIT ON PORTIONS OF SOUTH
THIRD STREET

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that traffic volumes, topography and roadway conditions are significant factors that must be used to establish – from time to time – maximum vehicle speed limits of varying appropriate levels on City streets; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of such factors, the City Council desires to lower the speed limit on those portions of South Third Street, which portions are a nonarterial highway within a residence district or business district; and

WHEREAS, more specifically, the City Council desires to change the speed limit on those portions of South Third Street between Southern Avenue and Naches Avenue from the preexisting limit of twenty-five miles per hour (25 MPH) to a new limit of twenty miles per hour (20 MPH); and

WHEREAS, Selah Municipal Code (SMC) section 8.70.070(k) establishes the speed limit for such portion of South Third Street and, amending the SMC is the City's developed procedure regarding establishing maximum speed limits on nonarterial highways within a residence district or business district; and

WHEREAS, because the to-be-effected portions of South Third Street are a nonarterial highway within a residence district or business district, the City can – pursuant to RCW 46.61.415(a) through (c) – decrease the speed limit to not lesser than twenty miles per hour (20 MPH) without the necessity of obtaining a corresponding engineering and traffic investigation;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH, WASHINGTON,
DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of Code. That Selah Municipal Code section 8.70.070 is hereby as shown by the strike-through and double-underscore editing marks:

8.70.070 Speed limits--Exceptions.

- (a) South First Street from Selah Avenue, south to city limits, thirty-five miles per hour.
- (b) South First Street from Naches Avenue to Selah Avenue, thirty miles per hour.
- (c) North First Street, north bound traffic, from Naches Avenue, north to the north city limits, thirty miles per hour.
- (d) North First Street, south bound traffic, from Naches Avenue, north to Fremont Avenue, thirty miles per hour.

- (e) North First Street, south bound traffic, from Fremont Avenue, north to Merinda Drive, twenty-Five miles per hour.
- (f) North First Street, south bound traffic, from Merinda Drive, north to north city limits, thirty miles per hour.
- (g) North Wenas from Naches Avenue, to Home Avenue, thirty miles per hour.
- (h) North Wenas Road from Home Avenue, north to city limits, thirty-five miles per hour.
- (i) West Selah Avenue from South Third Street to South Fifth Street, twenty miles per hour.
- (j) Speyers Road from Ninth Street, west to west city limits, thirty miles per hour.
- (k) South Third Street from Southern Avenue, north to Naches Avenue, ~~twenty five~~ twenty miles per hour.
- (l) School zones, when marked by flags or flashing lights, twenty miles per hour.
- (m) Maximum alley speed limit, fifteen miles per hour.
- (n) Crusher Canyon Road from Fourth Street, west to city limits, thirty miles per hour.
- (o) Maximum speed on any road under construction will be fifteen miles per hour until construction is completed, at which time the speed limit will revert to the regular requirement.
- (p) West Goodlander from North First Street to Lander Road, thirty miles per hour.
- (q) East Goodlander from North First Street to North Wenas, thirty miles per hour.

Section 2. Final Version of Code to be Published without Editing Marks. When the new, as-amended version of SMC 8.70.070 is published, the strike-through and double-underscore editing marks shall be removed and all text shall appear in plain text. Such editing marks were included on the face of this Ordinance solely for convenience.

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 of Ordinance and Summary Publication of Ordinance. Consistent with RCW 35A.12.130 (3rd ¶) and .160 (1st & 2nd ¶¶), this Ordinance or a summary of it shall be published once in the City's official newspaper and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) after the date of such publication.

Section 5. Old Speed Limit Still Applicable Until New Signage is Erected. Consistent with RCW 46.61.415(5), operators of vehicles on the affected portions of South Third Street shall be entitled to continue abiding by the posted old speed limit until such time that new signage is erected along the effected portions of South Third Street to properly advise vehicle operators that a new, lesser speed limit is now in effect.

PASSED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,
WASHINGTON THIS 10th DAY OF JANUARY 2023.



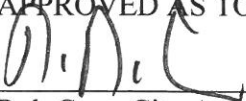
Sherry Raymond, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dale Novobielski, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rob Case, City Attorney