

ORDINANCE NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMARILLO ESTABLISHING A REDUCED SPEED LIMIT FROM 30 TO 25 MILES PER HOUR ON VENTURA BOULEVARD BETWEEN CARMEN DRIVE AND CEDAR DRIVE PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE SECTION 22358.7

The City Council of the City of Camarillo ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings. The City Council finds as follows:

A. AB 43, effective July 1, 2024, added Section 22358.7 to the California Vehicle Code, permitting local agencies flexibility to reduce speed limits. Section 22358.7 allows the City to reduce speed limits by five miles per hour in designated safety corridors, after completing an engineering and traffic survey and finding that the speed limit is still more than is reasonable or safe.

B. Upon the basis of an Engineering and Traffic Survey dated October 5, 2023, and conducted consistent with the California Vehicle Code, it has been determined that the speed limit is more than is reasonable or safe and therefore the Council declares that a reduction of the posted speed limit of five miles per hour from 30 miles per hour to a speed limit of 25 miles per hour is appropriate for Ventura Boulevard between Carmen Drive and Cedar Drive.

C. The speed limit is established in conformance with California Vehicle Code requirements for setting speed limits and will facilitate orderly vehicular traffic movement and will be reasonable and safe.

D. The reasons for the speed limit reduction on Ventura Boulevard from Carmen Drive to Cedar Drive are based on residential apartments and commercial developments located to the south. There is also limited on-street parking from Carmen Drive to Colonia Place. From Colonia Place to Cedar Drive there is angled on-street parking on the south side of Ventura Boulevard. Due to residential apartments, angled parking, and to be consistent with the rest of Old Town, it is recommended that the posted speed limit be reduced and set at 25 mph.

SECTION 2. Notice of Speed Limit. Prior to the issuance of citations, signs giving reasonable notice of the prohibitions contained in this section will be erected within the city as required by Vehicle Code section 21359 and Section 11.16.010 of the Camarillo Municipal Code.

SECTION 3. CEQA Determination. For purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.), a "project" is defined in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 (a) as "the whole of an action, which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a

reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment". The City Council hereby finds that the action to adopt this ordinance will not result in any reasonably foreseeable change in the environment and thus is not a project subject to the requirements of CEQA.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance, and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. Publication. The City Clerk is directed to certify the adoption of this ordinance and cause the same to be published in the manner required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of October 2024.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF VENTURA) ss.
CITY OF CAMARILLO)

I, KRISTY BUXKEMPER, City Clerk of the City of Camarillo, do certify that Ordinance No. _____ was regularly introduced and placed upon its first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 9th day of October 2024. Thereafter, said Ordinance No. _____ was duly adopted and passed at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd of October 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers:
NOES: Councilmembers:
ABSENT: Councilmembers:

City Clerk

c: Department of Public Works
Police Department