

CITY OF BELLFLOWER

ORDINANCE NO. 1307

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1177 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH VEHICLE CODE § 22357 BASED UPON AN ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SURVEY AS DEFINED BY VEHICLE CODE § 627.

THE CITY COUNCIL DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds as follows:

- A. Vehicle Code § 22352 establishes prima facie speed limits throughout the City;
- B. Vehicle Code § 22357 authorizes the City to establish certain speed limits based upon an engineering and traffic survey as defined by Vehicle Code § 627;
- C. In accordance with Vehicle Code § 40802, the speed limits authorized by Vehicle Code § 22357 must be justified by engineering and traffic surveys conducted every five years;
- D. The City adopted its last Engineering and Traffic Survey in March of 2009 (Resolution No. 09-09), which requires updating;
- E. The City completed a citywide speed zone engineering and traffic survey (meeting the requirements of Vehicle Code § 627) which, among other things, recommended changes to the City's speed limits. That engineering and traffic survey is dated January 2016 (entitled "Engineering and Traffic Survey for Speed Limits" and authored by Hartzog & Crabill, Inc.), and is incorporated by reference ("Survey"); and
- F. This Ordinance, and the speed limits established below, rely upon the Survey for purposes of Vehicle Code § 22357.

SECTION 2. Based upon the Survey, and in accordance with Vehicle Code §§ 22352 and 22357, the City Council amends Ordinance No. 1177, adopted April 13, 2009, in its entirety and establishes the following speed limits for the corresponding locations:

Schedule 1
Speed Limits

Street Segment

Speed Limit

Allington Street

Carpintero Ave to Palo Verde Ave

Remain posted at 35 MPH

Alondra Boulevard

Hayter Ave to Lakewood Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Bellflower Blvd to Woodruff Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Woodruff Ave to East City Limits

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Artesia Boulevard

Downey Ave to Lakewood Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Bellflower Blvd to Woodruff Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Woodruff Ave to East City Limits

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Bellflower Boulevard

Foster Rd to Rosecrans Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Rosecrans Ave to Somerset Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Somerset Blvd to Jefferson St

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Jefferson St to Alondra Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Alondra Blvd to Flora Vista St

Remain posted at 30 MPH

Flora Vista St to Flower St

Remain as "Business District"

Flower St to Park St

Remain posted at 30 MPH

Park St to Artesia Blvd

Remain posted at 30 MPH

Artesia Blvd to South City Limits

Remain posted at 35 MPH

Clark Avenue

Foster Rd to Rosecrans Ave

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Rosecrans Ave to Somerset Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Somerset Blvd to Alondra Blvd

Remain posted at 40 MPH

Alondra Blvd. to Oak St

Remain posted at 35 MPH

Oak St to Flower St

Post a 35 MPH Speed Limit

Flower St to Artesia Blvd

Remain posted at 35 MPH

Artesia Blvd to South City Limits

Remain posted at 35 MPH

Downey Avenue

North City Limit to Artesia Blvd

Reduce 40 to 35 MPH

Artesia Boulevard to South City Limit

Reduce 40 to 35 MPH

Flora Vista Street

Rendalia St to Alondra Blvd

Remain posted at 30 MPH

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Flower Street

West City Limits to Lakewood Blvd	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Bellflower Blvd to Flora Vista/Woodruff Ave	Remain posted at 30 MPH

Foster Road

Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Bellflower Blvd to Woodruff Ave	Remain posted at 35 MPH
Woodruff Ave to East City Limits	Remain posted at 35 MPH

Lakewood Boulevard

Foster/Gardendale St to Rosecrans Ave	Remain posted at 40 MPH; Post NB
Rosecrans Ave to Somerset Blvd	Post a 35 MPH Speed Limit
Somerset Blvd to Alondra Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Alondra Blvd to Flower St	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Flower St to Artesia Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Artesia Blvd to South City Limits	Remain posted at 40 MPH

Pacific Avenue

Alondra Blvd to Bellflower Blvd	Remain posted at 30 MPH
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Palo Verde Avenue

Artesia Blvd to Allington St	Remain posted at 40 MPH
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Rosecrans Avenue

Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Bellflower Blvd to Woodruff Ave	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Woodruff Ave to East City Limits	Remain posted at 40 MPH

Somerset Boulevard

Lakewood Blvd to Clark Ave	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Clark Ave to Bellflower Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Bellflower Blvd to Woodruff Ave	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Woodruff Ave to East City Limits	Remain posted at 35 MPH

Woodruff Avenue

Foster Rd to Rosecrans Ave	Remain posted at 45 MPH
Rosecrans Ave to Somerset Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Somerset Blvd to Alondra Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Alondra Blvd to Flora Vista St	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Flora Vista St to Beach St	Remain posted at 40 MPH
Beach St to Artesia Blvd	Remain posted at 40 MPH; Post SB
Artesia Blvd to South City Limits	Remain posted at 40 MPH

SECTION 3. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized and directed to (a) install signs providing notification of the speed limits established in Section 2 of this Ordinance; (b) update the Survey not later than five years from January 25, 2016; and (c) take any additional action required to implement this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. California Environmental Quality Act Exemption. The City Council determines that this ordinance is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*, “CEQA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, *et seq.*, the “CEQA Guidelines”) because it consists only of minor revisions and clarifications to an existing code of speed control regulations established in accordance with state law and will not have the effect of deleting or substantially changing any regulatory standards or findings. This ordinance, therefore, is an action being taken for enhanced protection of the environment and that does not have the potential to cause significant effects on the environment. Consequently, it is categorically exempt in accordance with CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301 as a minor alteration of existing public or private structures involving no expansion of use; 15305 as a minor alteration in land use limitations which do not result in any changes in land use or density; and 15308 as an action taken by a regulatory agency as authorized by California law to assure maintenance or protection of the environment.

SECTION 5. Repeal or amendment of any provision of the BMC or any other ordinance will not affect any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred before, or preclude prosecution and imposition of penalties for any violation occurring before this Ordinance’s effective date. Any such repealed part will remain in full force and effect for sustaining action or prosecuting violations occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. If this the entire Ordinance or its application is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, any repeal of the BMC or other city ordinance by this Ordinance will be rendered void and cause such BMC provision or other the city ordinance to remain in full force and effect for all purposes.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk, or duly appointed deputy, is directed to certify the passage and adoption of this Ordinance; cause it to be entered into the City of Bellflower’s book of original ordinances; make a note of the passage and adoption in the records of this meeting; and, within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption of this Ordinance, cause it to be published or posted in accordance with California law.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance will become effective on the thirty-first (31st) day following its passage and adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 1307 HAD ITS FIRST READING ON JANUARY 25, 2016, ITS SECOND READING ON FEBRUARY 8, 2016, AND WAS DULY PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER AT ITS REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2016.

Scott A. Larsen, Mayor

Attest:

Mayra Ochiqui, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Karl H. Berger, Interim City Attorney