



CITY OF PALO ALTO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

February 26, 2018

The Honorable City Council
Palo Alto, California

**SECOND READING: Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10.56
(Special Speed Zones) of Title 10 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code to
Reduce the Posted Speed Limit Near Private Schools (FIRST READING:
February 5, 2018 PASSED: 9-0)**

This ordinance was first heard by the City Council on February 5, 2018 and it is now before you for final approval. It was passed 9-0 with no changes.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A: Speed Zones Ordinance (PDF)

Department Head: Beth Minor, City Clerk

Ordinance No. _____
 Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Amending Palo Alto
 Municipal Code Chapter 10.56 (Special Speed Zones) to Establish
 Reduced Speed Limits of 20 MPH within School Zones Proximate to
 Private Schools During School Hours When Children Are Present

The City Council of the City of Palo Alto ORDAINS as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings and Recitals. The Council of the City of Palo Alto finds and declares as follows:

A. The City Council has established a reduced speed limit of 20 mph within 500 feet of public schools within the City during school hours when children are present and now desires to do the same with respect to private schools within the City, as allowed by law.

B. The City Council has determined and declares, pursuant to its authority under California Vehicle Code Section 22358.4(b), that the speed limit set forth herein are the most reasonable, safe and appropriate to facilitate the orderly movement of traffic on the applicable portions of such streets within the City and shall be the prima facie speed limits in the road segments specified.

SECTION 2: Section 10.56.035 (Twenty (20) miles per hour School Zones Speed Limit) of Chapter 10.56 of Title 10 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Section 10.56.035 Twenty (20) miles per hour School Zones Speed Limit

It is determined and justified pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 22358.4(b)(1) that twenty (20) miles per hour shall be the prima facie speed limit on the road segments shown below at a distance within 500 feet from or of the school grounds while children are going to or leaving the school, either during school hours or during the noon recess period.

Public Schools	School name	Road Segment Name
1	Addison Elementary School	Middlefield Rd
		Webster St
		Addison Ave
		Lincoln Ave
2	Palo Alto High School	Churchill Ave
		Embarcadero Rd

3	Walter Hays Elementary School	Embarcadero Rd
		Middlefield Rd
4	Duveneck Elementary School	Channing Ave
		Alester Ave
5	Jordan Middle School	California Ave
		Middlefield Rd
6	Ohlone Elementary School	Amarillo Ave
7	El Carmelo Elementary School	El Carmelo Ave
		Loma Verde Ave
		Bryant St
		Ramona St
8	Palo Verde Elementary School	Louis Rd
		Rorke Way
9	Fairmeadow Elementary School	East Meadow Dr
10	JLS Middle School	East Meadow Dr
11	Herbert Elementary School	Charleston Rd
12	Barron Park Elementary School	Barron Ave
13	Juana Briones Elementary School	Maybell Dr
		Gerogia Ave
		Orme St
14	Terman Elementary School	Terman Ave
		Arastradero Rd
15	Gunn High School	Arastradero Rd
16	Escondido Elementary School	Stanford Ave

Private Schools	School name	Road Segment Name
<u>17</u>	<u>Discovery Children's House Montessori School</u>	<u>University Ave</u>

<u>18</u>	<u>Castilleja School</u>	<u>Kellogg Ave</u>
		<u>Bryant St</u>
		<u>Emerson St</u>
<u>19</u>	<u>St. Elizabeth Seton School</u>	<u>Channing Ave</u>
		<u>Harriet St</u>
<u>20</u>	<u>Stratford School</u>	<u>Louis Rd</u>
		<u>Middlefield Rd</u>
		<u>N California Ave</u>
<u>21</u>	<u>Keys School</u>	<u>Sutter Ave</u>
<u>22</u>	<u>Bowman School</u>	<u>Donald Dr</u>
<u>23</u>	<u>Cornerstone</u>	<u>Manuela Ave</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>Esther B Clark/Sand Hill</u>	<u>Clark Way</u>
<u>25</u>	<u>International School of the Peninsula-Cowper Campus</u>	<u>Cowper St</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>Keys School – El Camino Campus</u>	<u>El Camino Way</u>
<u>27</u>	<u>Living Wisdom</u>	<u>College Ave</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>Tru School</u>	<u>Middlefield Rd</u>
		<u>Fulton St</u>
		<u>Melville Ave</u>

SECTION 3. Severability. If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of this ordinance, or the application to any person or circumstances, shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. CEQA. The City Council finds and determines that this Ordinance is not a project within the meaning of section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) because it has no potential for resulting in physical change in the environment, either directly or ultimately.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective upon the thirty-first date after its passage and adoption.

INTRODUCED:

PASSED:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Manager

Assistant City Attorney

Director of Planning and Community
Environment