

ORDINANCE NO. 2100

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND PARK, TEXAS AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND PARK, **SECTION 12.07.005, FIRE LANES**; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Highland Park, Texas (the "Town"), is a Home Rule municipality having full powers of self-government and may enact ordinances relative to its citizens' welfare that are not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined there is a need to revise the Fire Lane ordinance to bring it into compliance with current practice and current state law; and

WHEREAS, Texas Transportation Code, sec. 684.011(c) authorizes the marking of fire lanes;

WHEREAS, the Town is authorized by law to adopt the provisions contained herein, and has complied with all the prerequisites necessary for the passage of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, all statutory and constitutional requirements for the passage of this ordinance have been adhered to, including but not limited to the Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to promote the general welfare of the citizens of the Town of Highland Park;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland Park, Texas:

SECTION 1. That, the statements contained in the preamble to this ordinance are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as a part of the operative provisions hereto

SECTION 2. That, the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Highland Park, **SECTION 12.07.005, FIRE LANES**; is amended in its entirety and shall read as follows:

Sec. 12.07.005 Fire lanes

(a) Fire lanes shall be designated by striping, signs, or other markings, when approved by the Fire Marshal of the Town. Fire lane designation shall be provided for fire lanes to identify such lanes or roads and prohibit the obstruction thereof. Striping, signs, and other markings shall be maintained in a clean and legible condition at all times and be replaced or repaired when necessary to provide adequate visibility.

(b) Fire lanes shall be continuously marked by painted lines of red traffic paint or a contrasting color combination as approved by the Fire Marshal of the Town. Markings shall be six inches (6") in width to show the boundaries of the lane. The words "NO PARKING FIRE LANE" or "FIRE LANE NO PARKING" shall appear in four inch (4") white letters at 25 foot intervals on the red border markings along both sides of the fire lanes. Where a curb is available, the striping shall be on the vertical face of the curb.

(c) Fire lanes signs shall read “NO PARKING FIRE LANE” or “FIRE LANE NO PARKING” and shall be 12” wide and 18” high. Signs shall be painted on a white background with letters and borders in red, using not less than 2” lettering. Signs shall be permanently affixed to a stationary post and the bottom of the sign shall be six feet, six inches (6’6”) above finished grade. Signs shall be spaced not more than fifty feet (50’) apart along both sides of the fire lane. Signs may be installed on permanent buildings or walls or as approved by the fire code official.

(d) For the purpose of regulating and supervising fire lanes, any person who desires a fire lane designation of an area shall make application with the Town Administrator, and the Town Administrator shall then recommend to the Town Council whether or not the fire lane should be made a permanent part of this section.

(e) It shall be the duty of the person, persons, association(s), or corporation(s) who have the care, custody, or control of the areas designated as fire lanes as set out herein to provide, at their own expense, the installation and continued maintenance of the aforementioned fire lane markings.

(f) It shall be the duty of the Fire Marshal of the Town to determine the combination, location, and number of these fire lane markings. It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in a fire lane. It shall also be unlawful to place any objects, materials, or equipment in a fire lane.

(2021 IFC Section 503.3)

(g) Fire lanes are hereby created at the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Extent</u>	<u>Side</u>
4700 Abbott Avenue	Beginning at the north side of the brick structure located in Highland Park 1, block 11, lot 4, 18 feet north and extending from the east curb line of Abbott Avenue for a distance of 210 feet east.	
Lomo Alto Court	All	
Highland Park Shopping Village	In front of the marquee at Village Theater for a distance of 48.5 feet. East and West sides of Livingston Court extending 113 feet from north to south East and west side of Preston Court extending 127 feet from north to south	
4200 Block Oak Lawn Avenue	Oak Lawn Wycliffe Shopping Center parking lot along the east curb of Oak Lawn Avenue beginning 225 feet from the north right-of-way line on Wycliffe Avenue and extending north for a distance of 90 feet.	

4508 and 4510 Abbott Avenue	Along the driveway from the entrance at Abbott Avenue to the parking in the rear yard and to the alley along the property line.	All
Douglas Avenue	Starting 180 feet north of Livingston Avenue, 20 feet north to the point 200 feet north of Livingston Avenue.	East
Douglas Avenue	Starting 250 feet north of Livingston Avenue, 20 feet north to the point 270 feet north of Livingston Avenue	East

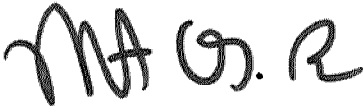
SECTION 3. That, all ordinances or any parts thereof in conflict with the terms of this ordinance shall be and hereby are deemed repealed and of no force or effect.

SECTION 4. That, should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance be adjudged or be held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision thereof other than the part thereof decided to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, and the same shall not affect the validity of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Highland Park as a whole.

SECTION 5. That, this ordinance shall take effect immediately following its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law, and it is accordingly so ordained.

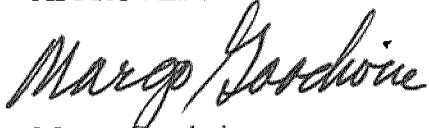
PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland Park, Texas on this the 15th day of February, 2022.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



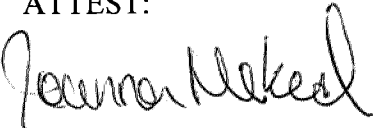
Matthew C. G. Boyle
Town Attorney

APPROVED:



Margo Goodwin
Mayor

ATTEST:



Joanna Mekeal
Town Secretary