

ORDINANCE NO. 3254

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA INCREASING THE SPEED LIMIT ON RUTGERS AVENUE BETWEEN EAST "H" STREET AND OTAY LAKES ROAD FROM 25 MPH TO 35 MPH, AND AMENDING SCHEDULE X OF THE REGISTER MAINTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER TO REFLECT THE REVISED SPEED LIMIT

WHEREAS, staff completed an Engineering and Traffic survey for Rutgers Avenue between East "H" Street and Otay Lakes Road in accordance with the California Vehicle Code, which indicates that the posting of speed limits be determined by an Engineering and Traffic Survey for each street with a posted speed limit within the City; and

WHEREAS, as described in the California Vehicle Code, the speed survey shall include 1) Prevailing speeds as determined by traffic engineering measurements; 2) Accident records; and 3) Traffic/roadside conditions not readily apparent to the driver; and

WHEREAS, the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) states that the speed limit shall be established at the nearest 5mph increment of the 85th percentile speed. Also, if the 5mph reduction is applied, the Engineering and Traffic Survey shall document in writing the conditions and justification for the lower speed limit and be approved by a registered Civil or Traffic Engineer; and

WHEREAS, based on the 85th percentile speed of the roadway, as well as other roadway characteristics outlined in the Engineering/Traffic Survey, staff has determined that the speed limit on Rutgers Avenue should be increased to 35 mph from E "H" Street and Otay Lakes Road; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2012, the City of Chula Vista Safety Commission concurred with staff's recommendation that the speed limit on Rutgers Avenue between E "H" Street and Otay Lakes Road should be 35 mph. Also, the Safety Commission recommended that additional traffic-calming measures be evaluated and included with the revised speed limit; and

WHEREAS, this recommendation and other information in the City Engineer's report has been fully considered by the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Chula Vista does hereby ordain as follows:

I. ESTABLISH SPEED LIMIT

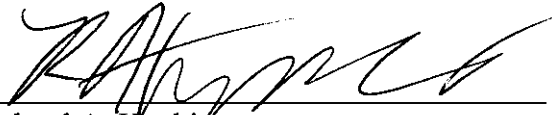
That the speed limit on Rutgers Avenue between East "H" Street and Otay Lakes Road be established at 35 mph and Schedule X of the register maintained in the office of the City Engineer be amended to reflect the revised speed limit as follows:

10.48.020 Schedule X – Established Speed Limits in Certain Zones – Designated			
Name of Street	Beginning At	Ending At	Proposed Speed Limit
Rutgers Avenue	East “H” Street	Otay Lakes Road	35 mph

II. EFFECTIVE DATE

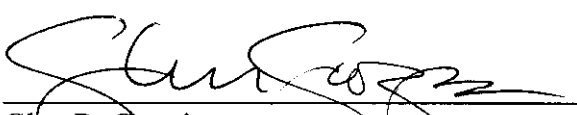
This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force on the thirtieth day from and after its final adoption.

Presented by



Richard A. Hopkins
Director of Public Works

Approved as to form by



Glen R. Googins
City Attorney

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, California, this 12th day of February 2013, by the following vote:


AYES: Councilmembers: Aguilar, Bensoussan, Ramirez, Salas and Cox

NAYS: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None


Cheryl Cox, Mayor

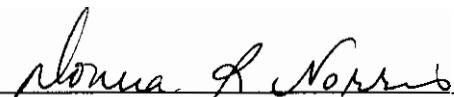
ATTEST:


Donna R. Norris, CMC, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)
CITY OF CHULA VISTA)

I, Donna R. Norris, City Clerk of Chula Vista, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3254 had its first reading at a regular meeting held on the 5th day of February 2013 and its second reading and adoption at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 12th day of February 2013; and was duly published in summary form in accordance with the requirements of state law and the City Charter.

Feb. 20, 2013
Dated


Donna R. Norris, CMC, City Clerk