

ORDINANCE 2025- 02

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY AS APPENDIX H TO THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENHANCING RESIDENTIAL SAFETY, AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the rapid rate of growth of Chatham County and the port of Savannah has resulted in a significant increase in the volume of traffic within Garden City; and,

WHEREAS, motorists passing in and through the City have sought alternative routes through residential areas to avoid traffic congestion and delay; and,

WHEREAS, when cutting through residential neighborhoods, motorists tend to travel at speeds that greatly exceed the posted speed limit, resulting in a proliferation of traffic related problems in City neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires through this Ordinance to help manage and control problems associated with traffic flow, excessive speeding, cut through traffic and pedestrian safety; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council finds that the creation and implementation of a traffic calming policy for the City is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

Section 1. The City hereby adopts the Traffic Calming Policy, attached hereto, as "Appendix C" to the City Code of Ordinances.

Section 2. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that

(a) All sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) To the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance. No section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity,

unconstitutionally or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Ordinance.

Section 3. All ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

Section 4. The City Attorney, City Manager and the contracted City Codifier are authorized to make non-substantive formatting and renumbering edits to this Ordinance for proofing, codification, and supplementation purposes.

Section 5. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be on the date of passage.

ADOPTED this 18th day of March, 2025, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garden City, Georgia.



TONYA ROPER, Clerk of Council

RECEIVED AND APPROVED this 18th day of March, 2025.



BRUCE CAMPBELL, Mayor

Read first time: 3-18-2025

Read second time and passed: 3-18-2025