

ORDINANCE NO. 4143

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article B (MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS) of Chapter 2 (TRAFFIC REGULATION), Title 10 (MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new Section 10-2-30 (AUTHORITY TO CHANGE SPEED LIMITS).

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Article B, Chapter 2, Title 10 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new Section 10-2-30 to read as follows:

Sec. 10-3-30 Authority to change speed limits.

(a) The city manager is authorized to increase or decrease the speed limits on city streets set forth in " 46.2-873 through 46.2-875 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and incorporated by " 10-3-873 through 10-3-875 of this code, and to establish differential speeds for daytime and nighttime driving on such streets, provided that any such increase or decrease in speed limit, or differential speed limit, shall be based upon an engineering and traffic investigation by the director of transportation and environmental services.

(b) The director of transportation and environmental services is authorized to decrease, for a temporary period not to exceed 60 days, without such engineering and traffic investigation, the speed limit on any city street on which work is being done or which is under construction or repair.

(c) Any increase or decrease in speed limits established under this section shall be indicated by signs as provided in section 10-2-26 of this code.

(d) Whenever the speed limit on any city street has been increased or decreased, or a differential speed limit established, and such speed limit is posted as required, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the change in speed was properly established in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Section 2. That all increases or decreases in the speed limits on city streets above or below the speed limits set forth in " 46.2-873 through 46.2-875 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and incorporated by " 10-3-873 through 10-3-875 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, which increases or decreases have heretofore been established, be, and the same hereby are, ratified and confirmed; provided, that same shall be indicated by signs as provided in ' 10-2-26 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

KERRY J. DONLEY
Mayor

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