

ORDINANCE NO. 17 - 07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO SETTING A TOWN-WIDE SPEED LIMIT AT 15 MILES PER HOUR, EXCEPT STATE HIGHWAYS AND NORTH RAILROAD STREET.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Ridgway desires to ensure the safety of the community and all modes of the travelling public; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ridgway has a significant number of gravel streets that produce undesirable airborne particulate matter when vehicles drive on them, and speeding exacerbates the volume and velocity of that particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the public has approached the Town Council on numerous occasions over many years to complain about speeding local traffic and the concern for the general safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Town adopted a Traffic Flow Plan in 2011 that enumerates various opportunities and proposed solutions to improve the safety of the public on town streets; and

WHEREAS, the Town has implemented a number of the proposed recommendations in the 2011 Traffic Flow Plan including: reduced and strategically located stop signs downtown, the placement of planter boxes in roadways for traffic calming, a new streetscape with clearly defined pedestrian crossings and traffic-calming elements, added pedestrian crossings on highway 62, in-highway pedestrian crossing signage, increasing the speed limit of North Railroad to 25 miles per hour, and more; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined these efforts are insufficient in meeting the goals of the Town of Ridgway and it is necessary and appropriate to lower the Town's speed limit to preserve the public health, safety and welfare of the Ridgway community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO, as follows:

The Town-wide speed limit is changed to 15 miles per hour on all streets within the Town of Ridgway, except State Highways and North Railroad Street.

INTRODUCED before the Town Council of the Town of Ridgway, Colorado on the 11th day of October , 2017

TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO, A HOME-RULE
MUNICIPALITY

By _____
John Clark, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Kraft, MMC, Town Clerk

Approved As to Form:

BO JAMES NERLIN, Town Attorney

HEARD AND FINALLY ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Ridgway, Colorado, this 8th day of November, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF TOWN CLERK

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Ridgway Town Council on October 11, 2017, published by title and posted thereafter, and adopted by the Ridgway Town Council on November 8, 2017.

(SEAL)

Pam Kraft, MMC, Town Clerk