

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 66-183 SCHEDULE L, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR AMENDED TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK:

1. The City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas hereby finds again and now as set forth in Section 66-176 of the Code of Ordinances of said City, adopted September 15, 2015.

2. (a) That Section 66-183, Schedule L, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Deer Park, be amended by designating truck routes for the locations for official traffic control devices bearing the words “TRUCK ROUTE”, APPLICABLE to the portion of the streets named below:

Street	Between
Highway 225 frontage roads	East and West City limits
Battleground Road	Highway 225 and Underwood

(b) The term “truck”, as used in this Section, is hereby defined as being any vehicle, self-propelled or otherwise, of more than three-fourths-ton capacity, primarily designed for carrying or transporting goods, wares or merchandise.

(c) No person shall operate a “truck” as defined in Section (b) upon any roads, avenues, streets or thoroughfares within the corporate limits of the City except those which are designated as truck routes in Section 66-183, Schedule L of this Code.

(d) Any truck route originating within the corporate limits of the City shall proceed to the nearest point on the designated truck route by the most direct route possible. If such truck shall originate outside the corporate limits of the City and enter the City at a point which is not on a designated

truck route, the truck shall proceed to the nearest point on the designated truck route by the most direct route possible.

(e) Trucks may depart truck routes when it is necessary to load or unload cargo, provide services, or seek repairs for the truck at a location off the designated truck route, provided however the truck takes the most direct route possible and then returns to the designated truck route taking the most direct route possible.

3. This Ordinance applies only to offenses committed on or after its effective date, and an action for an offense committed before this Ordinance's effective date is governed by the Ordinance existing before the effective date, which Ordinance is to be continued in effect for this purpose as if this Ordinance were not in force.

4. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

5. It is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public; and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas.

6. The City Council finds that this Ordinance relates to the immediate preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare, in that it is necessary that the above regulations be immediately put into effect to orderly regulate and guide traffic movement for the protection of persons and property, thereby creating an emergency, for which the Charter requirement providing for the reading of Ordinances on three (3) several days should be dispensed with, and this Ordinance should be passed finally on its introduction, and, accordingly, such requirement is dispensed with, and this Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the City Charter, this Ordinance was introduced before the City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas, **passed, approved and adopted** on this the ____ day of _____, 2019 **by a vote of** _____ **“Ayes” and** _____ **“Noes”**.

Mayor, City of Deer Park

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED:

City Attorney