

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-10

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON,
AMENDING CHAPTER 11.08 OF THE RICHLAND MUNICIPAL
CODE RELATED TO SPEED REGULATIONS.**

WHEREAS, the City has need, from time to time, to amend the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) to update standards and improve clarity; and

WHEREAS, state law regulates speeds on City streets except as provided in Chapter 11.08 RMC – Speed Regulations; and

WHEREAS, upon engineering review, several streets require speed limit adjustments; and

WHEREAS, speed reductions for school zones have been identified and placed in the appropriate code section; and

WHEREAS, as authorized in RCW 46.61.440, a speed reduction for a playground zone on Broadmoor Street is recommended; and

WHEREAS, the City’s best interests are served by adopting these speed limits to maintain vehicle mobility and safe operation of the street system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Richland as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 11.08 of the Richland Municipal Code, entitled Right-of-Way Construction, as first enacted by Ordinance No. 413, and last amended by Ordinance No. 24-16, is hereby amended as follows:

**Chapter 11.08
SPEED REGULATIONS**

Sections:

11.08.010 State speed laws applicable.

11.08.020 Increasing speed limit in certain zones.

11.08.030 Decrease of state law maximum speed.

11.08.040 Regulation of speed by traffic signals.

11.08.050 Decrease of posted speed in construction zones.

11.08.010 State speed laws applicable.

The state traffic laws regulating the speed of vehicles shall be applicable upon all streets within this city, except as this code, as authorized by state law, declares and determines upon the basis of engineering and traffic investigation that certain speed regulations shall be applicable upon specified streets or in certain areas, in which event it is unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of any speed so declared in this code when signs are in place giving notice thereof.

11.08.020 Increasing speed limit in certain zones.

It is determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that the speed permitted by state law upon the following streets and segments thereof is less than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found by such investigation to exist upon such streets; and except when signs are posted pursuant to state law setting a different maximum speed, the maximum speed permitted on such streets shall be as set forth in this section at the times specified when signs are erected giving notice thereof, but in no case shall the speed limit exceed 60 miles per hour:

STREET SEGMENT	SPEED LIMIT AT ALL TIMES – EXCEPT WHEN SIGNS ARE POSTED SETTING A DIFFERENT MAXIMUM SPEED (MPH)
1st Street from Kingsgate Way to Polar Way	35
Aaron Drive from State Route 240 over-crossing to Adams Street	40
Battelle Boulevard from Kingsgate Way to Stevens Drive	40
<u>Bella Coola Lane from Trowbridge Boulevard to end of Road</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Center Parkway from Steptoe Street to Leslie Road</u>	<u>30</u>
Columbia Center Boulevard from Columbia Park Trail to Fowler Street	35
Columbia Park Trail from east city limits to Queensgate Drive <u>Steptoe Street</u>	40 <u>35</u>
<u>Columbia park trail from Steptoe Street to Queensgate Drive</u>	<u>40</u>
Columbia Point Drive from George Washington Way to end of road	35
<u>Dallas Road form south city limits to north city limits (1,120 feet north of Ava Way)</u>	<u>50</u>
Duportail Street from Thayer Drive to Wellsian Way	30
<u>Duportail Street from Keene Road to State Route 240</u>	<u>35</u>
Englewood Drive from Keene Road to Glenwood Court	30
Gage Boulevard from 300 feet east of Leslie Road to the easterly city limits	40
Gage Boulevard from 300 feet east of Leslie Road to the westerly city limits	30
George Washington Way from Adams Street to the north city limits	35
Goethals Drive from Aaron Drive to Gillespie Street	30
<u>Hagen Road from State Route 240 to Logan Road</u>	<u>35</u>
Horn Rapids Road from Stevens Drive to the westerly terminus of Horn Rapids Road	50
Horn Rapids Road from Stevens Drive to George Washington Way	35

STREET SEGMENT	SPEED LIMIT AT ALL TIMES – EXCEPT WHEN SIGNS ARE POSTED SETTING A DIFFERENT MAXIMUM SPEED (MPH)
Jadwin Avenue from George Washington Way to Williams Boulevard	30
Jadwin Avenue from Williams Boulevard to Stevens Drive	35
Keene Road from Gage Boulevard to 250 feet west of Kapalua Avenue 280 feet east of Elementary Street	40 35
Keene Road from 250 feet west of Kapalua Avenue 280 feet east of Elementary Street to the west city limits	45
Kennedy Road from Duportail to west city limits	40
Kingsgate Way from Clubhouse Lane to State Route 240	30
Kingsgate Way from Horn Rapids Road to State Route 240	40
Lawless Drive	30
Lee Boulevard from Wright Avenue to George Washington Way Jadwin Avenue	30
Leslie Road from south city limits to 400 feet south of Gage Boulevard	40
Leslie Road from 700 feet north of Canyon Street to 400 feet south of Gage Boulevard	35
Leslie Road from 700 feet north of Canyon Street to Columbia Park Trail	40
Logan Road from Hagen Road to Polar Way	35
Logston Boulevard from State Route 240 to the northerly terminus of Logston Boulevard Robertson Drive	35
McMurray Street from George Washington Way to Van Giesen Street	30
Polar Way from Robertson Drive to northerly terminus of Polar Way	35
Queensgate Drive from Truman Avenue to Keene Road	35
Reata Road from Leslie Road to west city limits (570 feet of Tajo Court)	40
Reata Road from east city limits (520 east of Whitney Lane) to west city limits (2,200 feet west of Badger View Drive)	40
River Park Drive from Clubhouse Lane to Sonoran Drive River Valley Drive	30
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Robertson Drive from State Route 240 Hagen Road to the westerly terminus of Robertson Drive	35
Saint Street from Stevens Drive to Harris Avenue	30

STREET SEGMENT	SPEED LIMIT AT ALL TIMES – EXCEPT WHEN SIGNS ARE POSTED SETTING A DIFFERENT MAXIMUM SPEED (MPH)
Spengler Street from Stevens Drive to Harris Avenue	30
Steptoe Street from Columbia Park Trail to the south city limits 200 feet south of Canyon Street	35
Steptoe Street from Gage Boulevard to south city limits	40
Stevens Drive from Wellsian Way to Jadwin Avenue Catskill Street	30
Stevens Drive from Jadwin Avenue to 700 feet south of Spengler Street	35
Stevens Drive from 700 feet south of Spengler Jadwin Avenue to 2,100 2,050 feet south of University Drive	40 45
Stevens Drive from 2,100 2,050 feet south of University Drive to Horn Rapids Road	55
Swift Boulevard from State Route 240 to George Washington Way	30
Tapteal Drive from Columbia Center Boulevard to Steptoe Street	30
Thayer Drive from Van Giesen Street to Lawless Drive	30
Twin Bridges Road from south city limits to State Route 240	40
University Drive from George Washington Way to Stevens Drive	35
Van Giesen Street from State Route 240 to George Washington Way	30
Village Parkway from River Park Drive to River Park Drive	30
Wellsian Way from Lee Boulevard to Aaron Drive	35
Westcliffe Boulevard	30
Williams Boulevard from Wright Avenue to George Washington Way	30
Wright Avenue from Duportail Street to Van Giesen Street	30

11.08.030 Decrease of state law maximum speed.

It is determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that the speed permitted by state law upon the following streets is greater than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist upon such streets. The speed limit shall be as set forth in this section on those streets or parts of streets designated in this section at the times specified when signs are erected giving notice thereof.

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NAME OF STREET	SPEED LIMIT	TIME
<u>Adair Drive and Oxford Avenue from 90 feet south of Hartwood Street to 130 feet east of Baywood Avenue</u> Catskill Street from 200 feet east of Cascade Avenue to 100 feet west of George Washington Way	20 mph	When beacon active <u>When children present</u>
<u>Broadmoor Street from Bellerive Drive to 160 feet east of Larkhaven Court</u>	20 mph	<u>At all times</u>
<u>Catskill Street from 240 feet east of Cascade Avenue to 120 feet west of George Washington Way</u>	20 mph	<u>When beacon active</u>
<u>Center Parkway from 270 feet west of Milton Lane to 310 feet east of Milton Lane</u>	20 mph	<u>When beacon active</u>
<u>Cullum Avenue from 390 feet north of Fitch Street to 630 feet south of Fitch Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Downing Street from 245 feet east of Cullum Avenue to 50 feet west of Jadwin Avenue</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Elementary Street from 180 feet north of Sagewood Street to 140 feet north of Arroyo Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
Fuller Street from 190 feet east of Baker Avenue to Rainer Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Gala Way from 230 feet north of Manchester Street to 340 feet north of Purple Sage Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Hunt Avenue from 215 feet south of Thomas Street to 300 feet north of Thomas Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Hunt Avenue from 330 feet south of Van Giesen Street to 300 feet north of Van Giesen Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
George Washington Way from 260 <u>290</u> feet north of Torbett Street to 100 <u>110</u> feet north of Davison Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active
Glenwood Court	20 mph	At all times
Jadwin Avenue from 240 <u>270</u> feet north of Van Giesen Street to 690 <u>710</u> feet south of McMurray Street	20 mph	When beacon active
Jadwin Avenue from 70 <u>80</u> feet north of Davenport Street to 280 <u>300</u> feet north of Falley Street	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Jadwin Avenue from 80 feet north of Davenport Street to 300 feet south of Davenport Street</u>	20 mph	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Kensington Way 350 feet east of Ruby Avenue to 135 feet south of Nottingham Drive</u>	20 mph	<u>When beacon active</u>
Lee Boulevard from <u>30 feet west of</u> Sanford Avenue to <u>140 feet of</u> Wright Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active

NAME OF STREET	SPEED LIMIT	TIME
Leslie Road from 60 <u>80</u> feet north of Chaparral Street to 165 <u>180</u> feet west of Canyon Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Long Avenue from 300 feet north of Swift Boulevard to 150 feet south of Stevens Drive</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
McMurray Avenue from <u>50 feet south of</u> Austin Place to 100 <u>115</u> feet southwest of Sunset Street	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Mountain View Lane from 150 feet east of Elementary Street to 360 feet east of Alamosa Avenue</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Oahu Street from 150 feet west of Brantingham Road to 300 feet east of Brantingham Road</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
Rainer Avenue from Catskill Street to Fuller Street	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Ruby Avenue and Kensington Way from 110 feet north of Kensington Way to 340 feet east of Ruby Avenue</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Sacramento Boulevard from 285 feet south of Williams Boulevard to 250 feet north of Williams Boulevard</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Saint Street from 270 feet west of Lynnwood Loop to 240 feet east of Lynnwood Loop</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Snow from 300 feet north of Jewett Street to 370 feet south of Hoffman Street</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
State Route 224 (Van Giesen Street) from the Yakima River Bridge to State Route 240 (Bypass)	40 mph	At all times
Stevens Drive from 380 <u>400</u> feet south of Wilson Street to 180 <u>200</u> feet north of Sunset Street	20 mph	When beacon active
Stevens Drive from 600 <u>620</u> feet north of Swift Boulevard to <u>70 feet south of</u> Long Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Swift Boulevard from 450 feet west of Wright Avenue to 400 feet east of Wright Avenue</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When beacon active</u>
Thayer Drive from 40 <u>50</u> feet south of Hoffman Street to 140 <u>155</u> feet south of Lee Boulevard	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Tomich Avenue from 190 feet west of Ruby Avenue to 220 east of Ruby Avenue</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
<u>Van Giesen Street from 220 feet east of George Washing Way to 200 feet west of Hunt Avenue</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
Van Giesen Street from 240 <u>250</u> feet west of Wright Avenue to 70 <u>85</u> feet east of McPherson Avenue	20 mph	When beacon active

NAME OF STREET	SPEED LIMIT	TIME
Wellsian Way from 155 feet south of Stevens Drive to 250 feet south of Railroad Street	20 mph	When beacon active
Westcliffe Boulevard from 330 <u>320</u> feet west of Gala Way to 270 <u>300</u> feet east of Gala Way	20 mph	When beacon active
<u>Winslow Avenue from 300 feet north of Humphreys Street to 270 feet south of Humphreys Street</u>	<u>20 mph</u>	<u>When children present</u>
Wright Avenue from <u>40 feet north of</u> Frankfort Street to 235 <u>245</u> feet north of Lee Boulevard	20 mph	When beacon active

11.08.040 Regulation of speed by traffic signals.

The traffic engineer is authorized to regulate the timing of traffic signals so as to permit the movement of traffic in an orderly and safe manner.

11.08.050 Decrease of posted speed in construction zones.

A. Authority. The public works director shall have the authority to order placement of a reduced speed limit to regulate speeds in construction zones on city roadways as part of an approved traffic control plan. A roadway construction zone is an area where construction, repair, or maintenance work is being conducted by public employees or private contractors, on or adjacent to any public roadway. In no case shall the reduced speed limit be less than that authorized under RCW 46.61.415.

B. Regulation. No person may drive a vehicle in a roadway construction zone at a speed greater than the posted speed limit when signs are erected giving notice thereof.

C. Penalty. A person found to have committed any infraction relating to speed restrictions in a roadway construction zone shall be assessed a monetary penalty equal to twice the penalty assessed under RCW 46.63.110. This penalty may not be waived, reduced or suspended. A person who drives a vehicle in a roadway construction zone in such a manner as to endanger or be likely to endanger any persons or property, who removes, evades or intentionally strikes a traffic safety or control device is guilty of reckless endangerment of roadway workers. A violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor punishable under Chapter 9A.20 RCW and includes both monetary penalties and the suspension of license or permit to drive or a nonresident driving privilege, for up to 60 days, of a person convicted of reckless endangerment of roadway workers.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

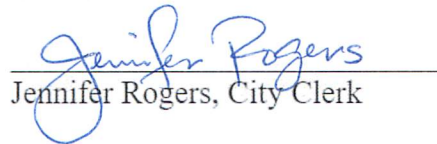
Section 3. Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Section 4. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this Ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener's errors/clerical errors, section numbering, references, or similar mistakes of form.

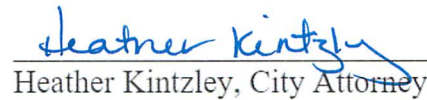
PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 20th day of June, 2023.


Terry Christensen, Mayor

Attest:


Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

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