

ORDINANCE NO. 16-2093

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 98 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND THE DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTES AND TO DESCRIBE WHICH VEHICLES MUST TAKE TRUCK ROUTES; PROVIDING THAT ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH SHALL BE REPEALED TO THE EXTENT OF THE CONFLICT ONLY; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT AND BE IN FORCE FIVE DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS:

Section 1: That Section 98-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake Jackson is hereby amended to add the following definition:

Sec. 98-1. Definitions

Commercial vehicle means a vehicle that is designed to carry primarily property behind its passenger area, and that either (1) has a Gross Combination Weight Rating that exceeds 26,000 pounds or (2) is a truck tractor or a combination truck tractor and semi-trailer.

Section 2: That Section 98-84 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake Jackson is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 98-84. Commercial vehicles.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a commercial vehicle upon any street, street right-of-way, street dedication or alley within the city except on the following designated truck routes:

- a. F.M. 2004.
- b. Old Angleton Road
- c. North Dixie Drive.
- d. Highway 332.
- e. Highway 288.
- f. Oak Drive, from Highway 288/332 to Oyster Creek Drive.

(b) An operator of a commercial vehicle is allowed to travel on a street that is not a designated truck route for the purpose of arriving at a destination that is within the City of Lake Jackson city limits. When accessing such a destination, the operator must leave a designated truck route at

the intersection that is nearest to his/her destination, proceed by the most direct route, and then return to the nearest designated truck route using the most direct route. The operator must need to reach the destination for the purpose of making a delivery, receiving goods, or performing a service.

(3) The following types of vehicles are exempt from this section: emergency, public utility, and government vehicles.

Section 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict only.

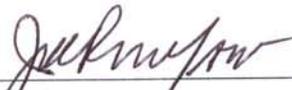
Section 4: A violation of this ordinance shall be a Class C misdemeanor and the penalty for violating this ordinance shall be as provided for in Sec. 1-5 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake Jackson.

Section 5: If any part or portion of this ordinance shall be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect or impair any remaining portions or provisions of this ordinance.

Section 6: The City Secretary shall publish the caption of this ordinance within ten (10) days of final passage in the official newspaper of the City. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after publication in accordance with Section 3-15 of the Charter of the City of Lake Jackson, Texas.

PASSED on the first reading this 16th day of February 2016.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading this 7th day of March, 2016.



Joe Rinehart, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alice A. Rodgers, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sherri Russell, City Attorney