

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARROLLTON, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 72, SUBCHAPTER I OF THE CARROLLTON CITY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 72.13 CREATING SPECIFIC PARKING PROHIBITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 70, SUBCHAPTER IV OF THE CARROLLTON CITY CODE BY ADDING SECTION 70.55 AUTHORIZING PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS, IN ADDITION TO SWORN PEACE OFFICERS, TO ENFORCE AND ISSUE NOTICES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 72; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, SAVINGS, PENALTY, AND REPEALER CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Carrollton, Texas ("City") is a Home Rule municipality possessing the full power of local self-government pursuant to Article 11, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, Section 51.072 of the Texas Local Government Code and its Home Rule Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Carrollton ("City Council"), Texas finds it necessary to promote public safety and ensure compliance with parking regulations established under Chapter 72 and other provisions of the Carrollton Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, currently only sworn peace officers enforce parking regulations and issue citations for parking violations under Chapter 72 of the Carrollton Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, police volunteers are authorized under the Texas Transportation Code to issue citations for violations of handicap parking restrictions; and

WHEREAS, authorizing Public Safety Officers to enforce parking regulations as assigned by the Chief of Police and issue notices for parking violations under Chapter 72 of the Code of Ordinances would provide a better use of resources and better protect the public's health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Carrollton to adopt codified parking restrictions consistent with the Texas Transportation Code and to authorize Public Safety Officers as assigned by the Chief of Police in addition to sworn peace officers, to enforce such restrictions;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARROLLTON, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

All the above premises are found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council, and they are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2.

The Code of Ordinances, City of Carrollton, Texas is hereby revised by amending Chapter 72, Subchapter I, "Parking Generally" by adding Section 72.13 to read as follows:

"72.13 Prohibited in Specified Places

It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or directions of a police officer or traffic-control devices in any of the following places:

- (A) On a sidewalk;
- (B) Within an intersection
- (C) Within twenty (20) feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- (D) Within thirty (30) feet on the approach to a flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign, or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- (E) Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant; or
- (F) Where signs are erected or curbs are painted indicating that such is not allowed."

SECTION 3.

The Code of Ordinances, City of Carrollton, Texas is hereby revised by amending Chapter 70, Subchapter IV, "Administration and Enforcement" by adding Section 70.55 to read as follows:

"70.55 Authority to Enforce Parking Violations.

- (A) Public Safety Officers employed by the City of Carrollton are hereby authorized to enforce all parking regulations as assigned by the Chief of Police and to issue notices for parking violations under Chapter 72.
- (B) Public Safety Officers may issue notices for violations of Chapter 72 in the same manner as sworn peace officers of the Carrollton Police Department.
- (C) Citations issued by Public Safety Officers shall have the same force and effect as those issued by peace officers, and violators shall be subject to penalties prescribed by this Ordinance."

SECTION 4.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating a provision of this Ordinance, upon conviction, is guilty of an offense punishable as provided in Section 10.99 of the Carrollton City Code, unless otherwise limited by state law.

SECTION 5.

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carrollton, Texas, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in

direct conflict with provisions of such ordinances and such codes, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such codes are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6.

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable in accordance with Section 10.07 of the Carrollton City Code.

SECTION 7.

All other provisions of the Carrollton Code of Ordinances not expressly amended as stated herein shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8.

This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage and publication.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Carrollton, Texas
THIS ____ day of _____, 2026.

CITY OF CARROLLTON, TEXAS

By: _____
Steve Babick, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chloe Sawatzky, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lisa King, Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Roberto Arredondo, Jr., Chief of Police