ORDINANCE NO. 18814

AN ORDINANCE introduced by City Manager Norton N. Bonaparte, Jr. amending City of Topeka Code § 142-187 regarding speed limits and specifically repealing said original section.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS:

Section 1. That City of Topeka Code § 142-187, Speed limits, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Speed limits.

(a) Except when a special hazard or road conditions exist that require lower speed for compliance with Standard Traffic Ordinance section 32, no person shall drive a vehicle on a roadway, street, alley or highway at a speed greater than the posted speed limit for that area or district.

(b) If no speed limit is posted, the following speed limits shall apply:

(1) Twenty miles per hour in any business district.

(2) Thirty (30) miles per hour in any residential district.

(3) Twenty (20) miles per hour in any park.

(4) Fifteen (15) miles per hour in any alley in both business and residential districts.

(c) It is hereby determined and declared that the maximum safe speed limit upon private property used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel by permission of the owner is twelve (12) miles per hour; provided, however, that the provisions of this section are not to be construed to prohibit the owner from requiring other or different speed limits.
As used in this section, "urban district" shall have the same meaning as set forth in K.S.A. 8-1484, and amendments thereto.

Section 2. Original City of Topeka Code § 142-187 is hereby specifically repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council February 13, 2007.

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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William W. Bunten, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Younger, Interim City Clerk