

ORDINANCE NO. 2006 - 21

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A ROADWAY MANAGEMENT PLAN; ESTABLISHING RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES FOR ADDRESSING ROADWAY ISSUES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town desires to implement a plan as it relates to the management of the Town's local roadways; and

WHEREAS, a Roadway Management Plan will provide the Town Council and the Town Administration with a standard for responding to roadway issues; and

WHEREAS, on February 02, 2006 the Town Administrator presented his initial Roadway Management Plan to the Town Council for review; and

WHEREAS, the Plan seeks to obtain input from the residents, to address standards established by the Town, to require input from professional engineers, and to provide all parties with the various options; and

WHEREAS, the Plan also seeks to provides an opportunity for the residents and the Town Council to measure the impact of the various options; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of its residents to adopt the Roadway Management Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1. The above reference recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The Town of Southwest Ranches adopts the Roadway Management Plan attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

Section 3: The Town of Southwest Ranches hereby establishes rules, regulations, and procedures for addressing roadway issues, as delineated in Exhibit "A".

Section 4: Conflicts. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances, Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5: Inclusion in the Code. It is the intention of the Town Council that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Town of Southwest Ranches Code; and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions

Section 6: Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any Court to be invalid, the invalid portion shall be stricken, and such striking shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. If any Court determines that this Ordinance, or any portion hereof, cannot be legally applied to any individual(s), group(s), entity(ies), property(ies), or circumstance(s), such determination shall not affect the applicability hereof to any other individual, group, entity, property or circumstance.

Section 7: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED ON FIRST READING this 9th day of February, 2006 on a motion made by Council Member Don Maines and seconded by Council Member Aster Knight.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING this 20th day of July, 2006, on a motion made by Vice Mayor Don Maines and seconded by Council Member Forest Blanton.

Fink	<u>Y</u>	Ayes	<u>5</u>
Maines	<u>Y</u>	Nays	<u>0</u>
Blanton	<u>Y</u>	Absent	<u>0</u>
Knight	<u>Y</u>	Abstaining	<u>0</u>
Nelson	<u>Y</u>		

[Signatures on Following Page]

Mecca Fink, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan A. Owens, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney
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...Traffic Calming and Control Process...

If approved, this recommended Traffic Calming and Control Process would be used by both Council and Administration to manage traffic problems throughout the Town.

Although this process could be initiated by a complaint from a Resident or the general public, as well as a field observation by Council members, Administrative staff or any of the Town's service providers, we will use the example of a complaint from a Resident in this document.

Here is how it would work:

- When a Resident complains about traffic volume and/or speeding on his (his/her) street, Town staff immediately sends an information packet to the Resident, along with instructions for the Resident to complete a petition that requires a minimum of 30% of the Residents on his street to concur with the complaint and request a traffic evaluation.
- After the Resident completes the information packet and obtains signatures on the petition, he (he or she) sends both documents to Town Hall, where they are evaluated by Staff:
 - If the information packet is incorrect or incomplete, Staff will contact the Resident for clarifications or corrections. If the petition does not contain signatures from **a minimum of 30%** of the Residents on the street, Staff will inform the Resident and make him (him/her) aware of "Type-1" solutions that could nonetheless be implemented on the street."Type-1" solutions include:
 1. The Pace Car Program,
 2. Traffic Tamers, and
 3. Radar Trailers.
- If the information packet is complete, and the petition contains a sufficient number of signatures, the Town will conduct a Traffic Study **within 4 weeks**. Town Staff will then meet with appropriate Residents **within 4 weeks after the Traffic Study is completed** to

discuss alternative “Type-1” or “Type-2” solutions for their street.
“Type-2” solutions include:

- Traffic Tables,
 - Center Islands,
 - Textured Pavement,
 - Narrowing,
 - Increased BSO enforcement,
 - “Do Not Enter” or “One Way” signs, accompanied by strategically deployed BSO enforcement,
 - Chokers,
 - Traffic Circles, and
 - Other Signage.
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- If the Street crosses into or **through** another Municipality, the Town will inform that Municipality of our intent to implement “Type-1 or 2” solutions on that Street.
 - Town staff will consult with the Town Engineer and Town Attorney, and prepare a recommendation for “Type-1 or 2” solutions.
 - The recommendation would be presented to the Town Council for their approval.
 - **After the recommendation is approved, the Town will notify all appropriate service providers of the Town’s actions.**
 - **The Town will develop a written implementation plan and schedule for the recommendation within 1 month after approval.**
 - After the recommendation is approved and implemented, The Town will conduct periodic Traffic Studies (the frequency of these studies will be determined on a case by case basis) to measure the success of the solution(s). We have assumed for purposes of this document, that an acceptable methodology for the establishment of maximum tolerable traffic volumes and speed limits has been adopted by the Town.

- If the initial solutions are not successful, the Town could implement and evaluate other “Type-2” solutions under this procedure.
- If it is determined that “Type-2” solutions are insufficient to resolve the traffic problems, Town staff will consult with the Town Engineer and Town Attorney, and prepare a Road Closure Ordinance for that street. If the street crosses into or **through** another Municipality, the Town will notify that Municipality and proceed in accordance with appropriate Town policies.
- If the Road Closure Ordinance is approved by the Town Council, Town Staff will implement it and monitor its success **in accordance with the steps outlined for “Type 2” solutions.**