ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01

A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE, ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, the Town of Mooresville is statutorily authorized to regulate the traffic within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the Mooresville Town Council desires to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the Town and its residents and visitors through such regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MOORESVILLE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Power to regulate and to order enforcement.
The mayor shall have the power, and is hereby authorized, to regulate the operation, stopping, standing, and parking of vehicles within the corporate limits of the town, such regulation to be accomplished through his or her procurement and/or placement of signs, signals, markers, markings, and other authorized traffic control devices, in accordance with the direction of Council and at such other times and places he or she deems most expedient for the regulation of traffic on the town’s streets and public ways in order to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the town and to serve the best interests of the public. Upon the exercise of such authority, the mayor shall report at the next following council meeting describing his or her authorized actions and the reason(s) therefor.

Section 2. Same—Enumerated.
The general powers of the mayor as provided in the preceding section shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Marking of traffic lanes indicating traffic flow and designating areas where stopping, standing, and/or parking is prohibited or limited.
2. Installing traffic control signage and devices.
3. Closure of streets to vehicular or pedestrian traffic for a temporary period of time (e.g., placement of traffic cones or barricades for the purpose of supporting special events, funerals, weddings, etc.).
4. Regulation of traffic during emergencies, notwithstanding other regulations (e.g., long-term closure of roads due to property damage resulting from a declared state of emergency, other natural disaster, fire, etc.).


(a) As used herein, “stand” or “standing” shall mean the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than (i) temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers, (ii) temporarily to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal, or (iii) for the purpose of and while actually engaged in parking the vehicle while that its occupant(s) exit the vehicle and visit some
business, residence, or other location that is not in the immediate vicinity of the vehicle.

(b) It shall be unlawful and an offense against the town for any person operating a motor vehicle to stand such vehicle on the public right-of-way on either side of Old Highway 20, this prohibition including both the paved portion of the right-of-way as well as the unpaved portion of the right-of-way extending outward from the edge of pavement.

Section 4. Enforcement of ordinance.
Any law enforcement officer with jurisdiction over the corporate limits of Mooresville shall enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 5. Severability.
If any word, clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or provision of this Ordinance shall be invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any other word, clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or provision hereof.

Section 6. Effective Date.
This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption and publication as provided by law.

APPROVED this 20 day of February, 2018.

Margaret-Anne Crumlish, Mayor
Town of Mooresville, Alabama

ATTEST:

Vasni Torrijos, Town Clerk
Town of Mooresville, Alabama