

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2023-092

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ESTABLISHING  
SPEED LIMITS IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 43 (AB43) was approved by the Governor on October 8, 2021, and added Sections 22358.6 through 22358.9 to the Vehicle Code, relating to traffic safety along with amending other Sections of the Vehicle Code; and

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22358.9 permits local authorities to set prima facie speed limits contiguous to a business activity district that meet the following conditions:

- (1) A maximum of four traffic lanes,
- (2) A maximum posted 30 miles per hour prima facie speed limit immediately prior to and after the business activity district, if establishing a 25 miles per hour speed limit,
- (3) A maximum posted 25 miles per hour prima facie speed limit immediately prior to and after the business activity district, if establishing a 20 miles per hour speed limit; and

WHEREAS, as used in the California Vehicle Code, a “business activity district” is that portion of a highway and the property contiguous thereto that includes central or neighborhood downtowns, urban villages, or zoning designations that prioritize commercial land uses at the downtown or neighborhood scale and meets at least three of the following requirements:

- (1) No less than 50 percent of the contiguous property fronting the highway consists of retail or dining commercial uses, including outdoor dining, that open directly onto sidewalks adjacent to the highway,
- (2) Parking, including parallel, diagonal, or perpendicular spaces located alongside the highway,
- (3) Traffic control signals or stop signs regulating traffic flow on the highway, located at intervals of no more than 600 feet,
- (4) Marked crosswalks not controlled by a traffic control device; and

WHEREAS, the following street segments meet the requirements as outlined in California Vehicle Code Section 22358.9:

- First Street between A Street and D Street
- Second Street between D Street and E Street
- Fourth Street between B Street and E Street
- Fourth Street between Wilson Street and Morgan Street
- Fifth Street between B Street and Brookwood Avenue
- Fifth Street between Wilson Street and Morgan Street
- Sixth Street between Wilson Street and Morgan Street
- Seventh Street between A Street and E Street
- Beaver Street between Fifth Street and Seventh Street

- D Street between Sonoma Avenue and Fifth Street
- Humboldt Street between Fifth Street and Seventh Street
- Mendocino Avenue between Fourth Street and Tenth Street
- Orchard Street between Fifth Street and Seventh Street
- Wilson Street between Third Street and Sixth Street
- Fourth Street between E Street and Brookwood Avenue
- B Street between Healdsburg Avenue and First Street
- Santa Rosa Avenue between First Street and Third Street

The results of which justify establishment of speed limits on the street segments; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the speed limits are appropriate to facilitate the orderly movement of traffic and are reasonable and safe.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa finds that the following speed limits are hereby established:

- First Street between A Street and D Street – 20 mph
- Second Street between D Street and E Street – 20 mph
- Fourth Street between B Street and E Street – 20 mph
- Fourth Street between Wilson Street and Morgan Street – 20 mph
- Fifth Street between B Street and Brookwood Avenue – 20 mph
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- Seventh Street between A Street and E Street – 20 mph
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- Fourth Street between E Street and Brookwood Avenue – 25 mph
- B Street between Healdsburg Avenue and First Street – 25 mph
- Santa Rosa Avenue between First Street and Third Street – 25 mph

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 6th day of June 2023.

AYES: (7) Mayor N. Rogers, Vice Mayor MacDonald, Council Members Alvarez, Fleming, Okrepkie, C. Rogers, Stapp

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney