

Intro No J Local Law No. __ of 2021

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF HUDSON

Section 1. Title

This local law shall be known as Local Law No. ____ for the year 2021.

Section 2, Legislative Findings, Intent and Purpose.

The City of Hudson currently has a city-wide speed limit of 30 mph. However, the city finds that it is beneficial to exercise its authority under state law to create a lower speed limit of 25 mph for certain streets due to their configuration and local conditions for which a lower speed limit is appropriate. Establishing linear speed limits on certain streets will reduce the potential for traffic accidents and pedestrian injuries and will improve the character of the neighborhoods along said streets. This law will amend Chapter 305 of the City Code to create a category of streets subject to the linear speed limit of 25 mph. Initially this law will apply only to Glenwood Boulevard and Union Street but can be amended from time to time by the Common Council to add additional streets. Glenwood Boulevard is being designated for a lower speed limit due to its proximity to Oakdale Park and the tendency of motorists to use Glenwood Boulevard as a short-cut to avoid more congested routes into the City. Union Street is included due to its narrow residential character and the frequency of vehicles speeding on the street and endangering pedestrians.

Section 3. Statement of Authority

This local law is authorized by Vehicle and Traffic Law §1643 and the Municipal Home Rule Law (chapter 36-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York).

Section 4. Amendment to the Code of the City of Hudson

Section 305-3 **Maximum speed limit** is hereby amended by DELETING the entire text following the heading and REPLACING it with the following:

- A. Thirty miles per hour is hereby established as the maximum speed at which vehicles may proceed within the corporate limits of the City except as provided in subparagraph B below.
- B. Twenty-five miles per hour is hereby established for the following streets within the corporate limits of the City:
- 1. Glenwood Boulevard from the intersection of Fairview Avenue to the intersection with Washington Street.
- 2. Union Street from the intersection of Worth Avenue to the intersection with Front Street.

Section 5. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined to its operation in said clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon the installation of traffic control signs with the posted speed limit along Glenwood Boulevard and Union Street after the filing of this law with the Secretary of State.

Introduced	Approved	
Seconded	By	
	Mayor	