SUMMARY: An ordinance amending Pahrump Town Ordinance No. 70 Titled Motor Vehicles, Chapter 24.020(B)(3), titled Speed Limit Imposed by Changing the speed limits and correcting the highway designations in the area of Wilson Street, East Street, West Street, First Street, Second Street, Third Street, Fourth Street, and Basin Road.

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PAHRUMP TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 70 TITLED MOTOR VEHICLES, CHAPTER 24.020(B)(3), TITLED SPEED LIMIT IMPOSED BY CHANGING THE SPEED LIMITS AND CORRECTING THE HIGHWAY DESIGNATIONS IN THE AREA OF WILSON STREET, EAST STREET, WEST STREET, FIRST STREET, SECOND STREET, THIRD STREET, FOURTH STREET, AND BASIN ROAD, AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY, CONSTITUTIONALITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 484A.400, the Nye County Board of Commissioners (Board) is authorized to regulate traffic regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 484A.420, the Nye County Board of Commissioners (Board) is authorized to regulate traffic regulations related to specific highways; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 484B.610, the Nye County Board of Commissioners (Board) is authorized to limit the speed of motor vehicles in any unincorporated town in the county as the Board may deem proper; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 269.185, the Nye County Board of Commissioners (Board) is authorized to regulate the speed of all motor vehicles and other vehicles using the streets and alleys; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 244.119 and 269.155, the Nye County Board of Commissioners (Board) is authorized to amend the Pahrump Town Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to NRS 244.110, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Nye, State of Nevada, does ordain:

MOTOR VEHICLES

24.010 MOTOR VEHICLES DEFINED. The term “motor vehicle,” when used in this Ordinance, means any vehicle which is self-propelled, but not operated upon rails.
24.020  **SPEED LIMIT IMPOSED.**

A. Unless otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the maximum allowable speed shall be 45 miles per hour on streets, roads or highways.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, drive or operate a motor vehicle on streets, roads or highways at a rate of speed in excess of the following:
   1. In areas designated as school zones, the maximum allowable speed shall be 15 miles per hour;
   2. On state highways, the maximum allowable speed shall be the maximum designated and posted by the State Department of Highways.
   3. On streets and alleys within the areas described below, the maximum allowable speed shall be 35 miles per hour:
      - On EAST STREET, from State Highway 372 to Wilson Street;
      - On WEST STREET, from State Highway 372 to Wilson Street;
      - On FIRST STREET, from East Street to West Street;
      - On SECOND STREET, from East Street to West Street;
      - On THIRD STREET, from East Street to West Street;
      - On FOURTH STREET, from East Street to West Street;
      - On BASIN STREET, from State Highway 160 to the west boundary of the Community Arena property.
   4. On all gravel and dirt roads, whether said speed is posted or not and in all other areas where specifically posted, the maximum allowable speed shall be 30 miles per hour.
   5. On all streets within the area bounded by Comstock Boulevard, North Comstock Circle, West Comstock Circle, South Comstock Circle and East Comstock Circle and more commonly known as COMSTOCK PARK, whether said speed is posted or not and in all other areas where specifically posted, the maximum allowable speed shall be 20 miles per hour.
   6. On streets within the areas described below, the maximum allowable speed shall be:
      i. On Pahrump Valley Boulevard, from Highway 372 to Calvada Boulevard, the maximum allowable speed shall be 45 miles per hour.
      ii. On Dandelion Street, from Highway 160 to Calvada Boulevard, the maximum allowable speed shall be 45 miles per hour.
      iii. On Honeysuckle Street, from Pahrump Valley Boulevard to Dandelion Street, the maximum allowable speed shall be 25 miles per hour.

24.030  **RECKLESS DRIVING PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle on the public highways, streets or alleys of the Town of
Pahrump in such a manner as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person or persons, or in any other than a careful and prudent manner.

24.040 **EXHAUST MUFFLERS.** It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, drive or operate any motor vehicle on any highway, street or alley or any other place within the limits of the Town of Pahrump, Nye County, Nevada, with exhaust mufflers cut out or open, or with straight exhaust pipes.

24.50 **SIGNS.** It shall be unlawful to willfully deface, injure, move, remove, or otherwise interfere with any signs or other devices installed or erected for the purpose of directing or regulating traffic or parking, or to fail to comply with the directions displayed upon said signs or other devices.

24.60 **DRIVING REGULATIONS.**

A. The operator of a motor vehicle leaving a parked position shall yield the right of way to any motor vehicle approaching in the regular line of through traffic.

B. No person shall turn a vehicle at an intersection or turn a vehicle to enter a private road or driveway, or otherwise turn a vehicle from a direct course or move right or left upon a roadway unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety. A signal of intention to turn right or left when required shall be given continuously during not less than the last 100 feet traveled by the vehicle before turning. Signals shall be given in accordance with the requirements of NRS 484.333 et seq.

C. No motor vehicle shall be driven over any unprotected hose of the fire department when laid down on any street or other place to be used at any fire or alarm of fire.

D. The crossing over a double yellow center line is unlawful and prohibited.

24.70 **PARKING REGULATIONS.**

A. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a sheriff’s officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

1. On a sidewalk;
2. In front of a public or private driveway;
3. Within an intersection;
4. On a crosswalk;
5. Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
6. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
7. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping, or at any place where the adjacent curb is painted red, or parking is limited or designated for a particular purpose.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person to park, or allow to remain parked, any disabled motor vehicle on the public right of way for a period of more than one week. The Sheriff may, after three (3) days’ notice to the owner, cause such vehicles to be removed at the expense of the owner.

24.80 **EMERGENCY VEHICLES.** None of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be applicable to police vehicles, sheriff’s vehicles, ambulances, vehicles of licensed
medical physicians, or fire department vehicles when driven or operated in the course of official duties.

24.090 **UTILITY VEHICLES.** None of the provisions regarding parking of vehicles shall be applicable to utility vehicles while engaged in the performance of duties relating to garbage collection, repair or maintenance of water, power, television, or sanitation facilities within the said Town of Pahrump.

24.100 **CONSTITUTIONALITY.** If any section, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be void or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance, and the Board of County Commissioners hereby declares that they would have enacted this Ordinance, and each of said sentences, clauses, sections, or phrases thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more of such sections, sentences, clauses or phrases might be declared void or unconstitutional.

24.110 **PENALTIES.** Any persons violating this Ordinance, or any provision thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), or imprisonment in the County Jail for a period not to exceed six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment.

**SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance or amendments thereto, or the application to any person, thing or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity or provisions or applications of the ordinance or amendments thereto which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance and amendments thereto are declared to be severable.

**CONSTITUTIONALITY.** If any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, approval, and publication as required by law, to wit, from and after the 25th day of October, 2021.

Adopted on the 5th day of October, 2021

Vote: Ayes: Commissioners: Strickland, Carbone, Cox, Blundo, Jabbour

Nays: Commissioners: Ø

Absent: Commissioners: Ø

BY: Debra Strickland, Chair
Nye County Board of
County Commissioners

ATTEST: Sandra L. Merlino
Clerk and Ex-Officio
Clerk of the Board