

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-13**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE STATE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP) “OPERATION SLOW DOWN GRANT”, THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTION, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024**

**WHEREAS**, injuries and deaths from traffic crashes bring loss and suffering to the citizens of this community; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of such injuries brings economic hardship to families; and

**WHEREAS**, the community’s health care system and emergency response resources are significantly impacted by injuries of traffic crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that speed is a causative factor in many traffic crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, failure to obey traffic laws, traffic control signals at intersections, and impaired driving, causes many traffic crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration statistics have shown that reducing speed limit and stopping traffic law violators prevents crashes, saves lives and reduces non-fatal injuries while resulting in economic savings to society; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Operation Slow Down” STEP Grant includes public education and intensified law enforcement to get the community to comply with speed limits.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of La Porte authorizes the City Manager to execute all documents for the “Operation Slow Down” STEP Grant for July 16, 2024, through August 7, 2024; joining public and private sector leaders across Texas supporting the campaign; urging all residents and visitors of La Porte to abide by traffic laws, to protect life and the quality of life in this community.

**Section 1.** The City Council of the City of La Porte, Texas authorizes the City Manager to submit and execute all documents pertaining to the STEP “Operation Slow Down” Grant, through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the Fiscal Year 2024.

**Section 2.** All ordinances or parts of resolutions of the City of La Porte, Texas, in conflict with any provision contained herein is hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict.

**Section 3.** If any section, sentence, phrase, clause, or any part of any section, sentence, phrase, or clause, of this Ordinance shall, for any reason, be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance; and it is hereby declared to be the intention of this City Council to have passed each section, sentence, phrase, or clause, or part thereof, irrespective of the fact that any other section, sentence, phrase, or clause, or part thereof, may be declared invalid.

**Section 4.** The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

**Section 5.** This resolution shall be in effect from and after its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.**

**CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS**

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Rick Helton, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Lee Woodward, City Secretary

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Clark T. Askins, Assistant City Attorney