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TRUSTEE'S BILL

ORDINANCE NO.

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TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 3, OF THE HUDSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE THE TRUCK WEIGHT LIMIT AND TO ENACT RESTRICTIONS ON HEAVY VEHICLES ON TOWN STREETS

WHEREAS, it has come to the Board's attention that there is a high volume of heavy truck traffic on Town streets;

WHEREAS, many of these trucks appear not to have local business or deliveries to complete within the Town;

WHEREAS, this high volume of truck traffic creates a concern for the safety of Town residents as well as a concern for the wear and tear on Town roads that are subject to undue amounts of heavy truck traffic;

WHEREAS, Article 3 of Chapter 8 of the Hudson Municipal Code does not sufficiently address the current concerns caused by this heavy truck traffic; and

WHEREAS, the truck weight limit currently contained in Section 8-31 is too low to accommodate some pick-up trucks kept by residents;

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Trustees wishes to update Article 3 of Chapter 8 of the Municipal Code to increase the weight limit to permit pick-up trucks; to preserve necessary truck access to Town businesses, Town residents, and State Highway 52; but to limit unnecessary truck traffic on Town roads.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF HUDSON, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. Section 8-31 of the Hudson Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 8-31. Weight Limit.

No person shall operate or drive a commercial vehicle, truck, bus or semitrailer within the corporate limits of the Town that has more than a twenty thousand (20,000) pound gross weight.

Section 2. Section 8-32 of the Hudson Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 8-32. Exceptions.

(a) The terms and provisions of this article shall not apply to any vehicle defined herein that is traveling within the Town in order to make a local delivery or to patronize a Town business; shall not apply to a school bus as defined herein; shall not apply to emergency vehicles; and shall not apply to any vehicle defined herein traveling through Town exclusively via State Highway 52 and Interstate 76.

(b) Notwithstanding the exceptions contained in (a) above, no vehicle with over a fifteen thousand (15,000) pound gross weight shall be permitted to park overnight within Town limits unless such overnight parking is included in a pre-approved site plan.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees hereby finds, determines, and declares that this ordinance is in the best interest of the Town of Hudson, Colorado, and that it is promulgated in the exercise of the police power of the Town of Hudson, Colorado, for the benefit of the public, and that this ordinance is necessary for the protection of public convenience and safety, and that the ordinance bears a rational relation to the public welfare. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that this ordinance is the proper legislative objective of the Town of Hudson, Colorado.

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Section 4. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that the application thereof is within the competent jurisdiction of the Town of Hudson, Colorado, under the circumstances.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after final publication.

INTRODUCED, READ IN FULL, AND ADOPTED this 7th day of March, 2007.

TOWN OF HUDSON, COLORADO


Neal Pontius, Mayor

ATTEST:



Judy Larson
Judy Larson, Town Clerk

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 18th day of April,
2007, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED ONCE IN FULL.



TOWN OF HUDSON, COLORADO

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Neal Pontius, Mayor

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Corey Y. Hoffmann
Corey Y. Hoffmann, Town Attorney