

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO  
ORDINANCE NO. 2018-6**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE AMENDING TITLE  
10 CHAPTER 10.04 OF THE NEW CASTLE MUNICIPAL CODE  
CONCERNING SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY ROAD 335.**

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Town of New Castle ("Town") began constructing a pedestrian trail along the portion of County Road 335 ("CR 335") that passes through the southwest portion of the Town; and

WHEREAS, a section of the trail is directly adjacent to CR 335; and

WHEREAS, at the time the trail was being constructed, CR 335 was under Garfield County's jurisdiction and subject to a speed limit of 45 mph; and

WHEREAS, considering the location of the trail in relation to CR 335 and the ongoing construction, the Chief of Police, Town staff, and Town Council determined upon the basis of a traffic investigation and public outreach that the 45 mph speed limit was greater than was reasonable or safe; and

WHEREAS, the County lowered the speed limit along the portion of CR 335 within the Town boundaries to 35 mph as a result of the Town's concerns; and

WHEREAS, CR 335 was annexed into the Town in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Town Municipal Code ("Code") provides that the speed limit on CR 335 shall be 45 mph from the eastern Town boundary to the western Town boundary; and

WHEREAS, based on the Town's prior investigation, the Chief of Police, Town staff, and Town Council believe that a speed limit of 35 mph along the section of CR 335 that is directly adjacent to the trail will be more reasonable and safe under the circumstances; and

WHEREAS, in light of the safety concerns, Town Council finds that it is necessary to amend the Code to reduce the speed on the subject section of CR 335 to the desired speed of 35 miles per hour and leave it at 45 mph for the remainder; and

WHEREAS, the Town above all wishes to protect the life, health and safety of all those associated with the roadway and has determined that the reduction of speed will achieve the desired result of protecting motorists and trail users; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to amend Title 10 of the New Castle Municipal Code as set forth below.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF  
NEW CASTLE, COLORADO:**

1. Recitals. The Town Council incorporates the foregoing recitals as findings by the Town Council.

2. Amendment. The Town Council hereby amends Title 10, Chapter 10.04 of the Town of New Castle Municipal Code to modify section 10.04.050(B)(2), as follows, with added language in **bold** and removed language ~~stricken~~. Any language in Chapter 10.04 not specifically amended in this Ordinance shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Name of Street	Portion Affected	Speed Limit
County Road 335	<b>Intersection of bridge over I-70/Colorado River and CR 335 west for .5 miles</b>	<b>35 mph</b>
	<del>East Town Limit .5 miles west of CR 335</del> <b>intersection with I-70/Colorado River bridge to West Town Limit</b>	45 mph

3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective fourteen days after final publication pursuant to the Town Charter, and the change in speed limit contemplated herein will be effective when appropriate signs giving notice of this change are erected upon CR 335.

INTRODUCED on August 21, 2018, at which time copies were available to the Council and to those persons in attendance at the meeting, read by title, passed on first reading, and ordered published in full and posted in at least two public places within the Town as required by the Charter.

INTRODUCED a second time at a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of New Castle, Colorado on September 4, 2018, read by title and number, approved as amended, and ordered published as required by the Charter.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO

By: 

Art Riddile, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Melody Harrison, Town Clerk, CMC

