ORDINANCE NO. 719

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF ELM STREET AND MAPLE STREET AS A FOUR WAY STOP INTERSECTION IN THE CITY OF HOWE; SETTING A PENALTY; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the City Council of the City of Howe, Grayson County, Texas that there is a need to regulate the flow of traffic at the intersection of Elm and Maple Streets, and whereas, the City of Howe is desirous of regulating the traffic flow in the City of Howe in a safe and reasonable manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOWE, GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That from and after the date of the passage of this Ordinance, the intersection of Elm and Maple Streets in the City of Howe, Texas shall be designated as a four-way stop intersection and all vehicles entering such intersection from Elm Street and Maple Street shall stop before entering such intersection. Such stop intersections shall be identified by the erection of stop signs indicating that vehicles approaching the intersection of Elm Street and Maple Street shall stop, and it shall be the duty of the driver of any vehicle approaching such a sign to bring such vehicle to a complete stop at such sign or at a clearly marked line before entering the intersection, except when directed to proceed by a Police Officer or a traffic control signal. After having so stopped, such driver shall yield the right of way to other vehicles which have entered the intersection or which are approaching so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard. Such driver, after having so yielded may proceed and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching on the intersection street shall yield the right of way to the vehicle so proceeding into or across the intersection.

SECTION 2. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance, or shall fail to comply therewith or with any of the requirements thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be liable to a fine, and upon conviction of any such violation shall be fined in any sum of not more than \$250.00; and each occurrence of such violation shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 3. That it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Howe, Texas that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Howe, Texas, and that sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or lettered to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 4. That is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public as required by law and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and publication and after the installation of the 4-way stop signs.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING THIS THE 18TH DAY OF AUGUST 2012.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary