

**AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 102**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEDERLAND, TEXAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 102 WHICH REGULATES TRAFFIC UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF NEDERLAND, ADDING WANTON OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN PUBLIC AREAS, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Nederland is of the opinion that traffic control is required in order to properly regulate traffic and maintain safety on the roads and streets of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Nederland originally approved an amendment to Ordinance 102 on August 29, 1955; the City Council proposes to add Reckless Operation of a Motor Vehicle and

**WHEREAS**, the Nederland Police Department received a request to address the operation of Motor Vehicles in public areas within the City of Nederland

**N, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEDERLAND, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1. ARTICLE II. GENERALLY**, Division 7 – Operation of Vehicles, Sec. 102 is amended by adding a new Sec. 144 (a) as follows:

"Sec. 102-144 - Vehicles.

(a) A person commits an offense if the person operates a motor vehicle in wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property on a public roadway, public place or area of public access, including a parking area provided for clients and patrons of a business."

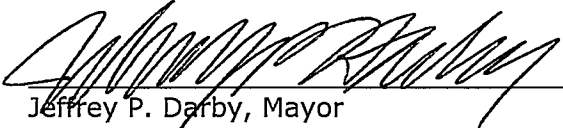
**SECTION 2. PENALTY**

Any person who intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly violates any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall on conviction be fined as provided in Sec. 102-323, Nederland Code of Ordinances. The terms "intentionally", "knowingly", "recklessly" and "criminal negligence" shall have the meanings set forth in V.T.C.A., Tex. Penal Code, Sec. 6.03.

**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This amendment to the ordinance shall be in full force and effect after publication as provided by law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL** of the City of Nederland, Texas this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2026.

  
Jeffrey P. Darby, Mayor  
City of Nederland, Texas

**ATTEST:**



*Joni Underwood*

Joni Underwood, City Clerk  
City of Nederland, Texas

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

*Paul D. Starnes*

City Attorney  
City of Nederland, Texas