

**ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF
RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI ESTABLISHING TRUCK ROUTES AND
CLASSIFICATIONS**

WHEREAS; The City of Ridgeland acting through its Mayor and Board of Alderman have determined that excessive truck traffic causes significant damage to certain roads with in the City, and

WHEREAS; The City of Ridgeland has an established truck route approved by its Mayor and Board of Alderman in 2007, and

WHEREAS; The City of Ridgeland has annexed additional land area into the corporate boundaries of the city since 2007, and

WHEREAS; The City of Ridgeland has also determined that the existing 2007 truck route is not sufficient to provide adequate lines of communication to construction sites, homes and business to deliver goods and services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi as follows:

**SECTION 1
ABOLISHMENT**

The 2007 Truck Route approved by the Mayor and Board of Alderman is hereby repealed together with any other Ordinances inconsistent herewith, specifically including but not limited to Section 110-36 of the Code of the City of Ridgeland.

**SECTION 2
ESTABLISHMENT**

There is hereby established truck routes to regulate traffic and allow movement of commercial vehicle traffic on certain designated highways and streets within the City Limits of Ridgeland. These routes shall have signs designating the truck route. These signs shall comply with the Uniform Manual for Traffic Control Devices and any other State of Mississippi or Federal Highway Standard.

**SECTION 3
TRUCK ROUTE LOCATIONS**

The truck routes established herein include the following highways and roads. These roads are also shown on the attached map identified as attachment "A" and is a part of this ordinance:

1. Highway 51
2. Interstate I-55 and its Frontage Roads
3. Livingston Road
4. Lake Harbour Drive- (from Highway 51 to Highland Colony Parkway only)
5. Old Canton Road
6. County Line Road
7. Pear Orchard Road (from East County Line Road to Lake Harbour Drive)

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8. Steed Road (from Sunny Brook Road to Highland Colony Parkway)
9. Colony Park Boulevard from Highway 51 to Highland Colony Parkway

**SECTION 4
TRUCK CLASSIFICATION**

Trucks are classified in accordance with the Federal Highway Administration Guidelines Establishing Vehicle Classification that number 1-12. A copy of this classification is attached to this Ordinance as Attachment "B". Trucks and vehicle classification 1-5 are exempt from the provisions of this ordinance. Truck classifications 6-12 are subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. All uses of the word "Truck" in this Ordinance shall mean trucks classified 6-12.

**SECTION 5
PERMITTED TRUCK TRAFFIC**

Trucks may travel on any designated truck route at any time. This does not preclude the truck from compliance with any Federal Highway or Mississippi State Department of Transportation's laws, regulations or permits currently in effect that would apply to Commercial Motor Vehicles. These laws rules and regulations will apply on all City of Ridgeland Streets.

**SECTION 6
TRUCK TRAFFIC ON STREETS NOT DESIGNATED AS A TRUCK ROUTE**

This ordinance will allow trucks on City Street not classified as a Truck Route under the following conditions:

1. Construction- Trucks that are transporting goods and services to a construction site under a valid building permit (issued by the City of Ridgeland) that must use these roads to make deliveries will request an approved truck route from the Public Works Director or his designee. He will provide the route on an official form that is attached as Attachment "C" of this Ordinance.
2. Business and Homes- Trucks that are transporting goods and services to these locations will take the most direct route to their destination utilizing the established truck routes as much as possible.
3. Special Approvals- the Mayor and Board of Alderman will approve any truck route that requires the use of a truck on the Round-A-Bout (at the intersection of Old Agency Road and Highland Colony Parkway) and Old Agency Road. They will deny, approve with or without conditions. If the Mayor and Board approves the route it will authorize the Mayor to sign the official form attached as Attachment "C" for approval of this route and any conditions established by the Mayor and Board of Alderman.
4. Exemptions- Trucks exempt from this ordinance shall include the following
 - a. Any Municipal, County or State truck
 - b. Any truck under Contract with the City of Ridgeland
 - c. Any truck owned by a Public Utility as identified by the Public Service Commission in the course of customer service. This does not include construction projects.

**SECTION 7
ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES**

Violation of this ordinance shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00.

**SECTION 8
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days from and after passage.

ORDAINED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi at its regular meeting held on the 20th day of September, 2016.


MOTION made to adopt the foregoing Ordinance was made by Alderman Kevin Holder and SECONDED by Alderman Brian Ramsey and the foregoing having first been reduced to writing, was submitted to a Roll Call Vote, the result was as follows:

Alderman Ken Heard (Ward 1) voted:	AYE
Alderman Chuck Gautier (Ward 2) voted:	AYE
Alderman Kevin Holder (Ward 3) voted:	AYE
Alderman Brian Ramsey (Ward 4) voted:	AYE
Alderman Scott Jones (Ward 5) voted:	AYE
Alderman Wesley Hamlin (Ward 6) voted:	AYE
Alderman D.I. Smith (At large) voted:	AYE

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the Ordinance carried and the Ordinance adopted.

The foregoing Ordinance is approved this the 20th day of September, 2016.

CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI

BY: 
GENE F. MCGEE, MAYOR

ATTEST






















PAULA TIERNEY, CLERK
(SEAL)



EXHIBIT "E"

ATTACHMENT "B"
TRUCK CLASSIFICATION

FHWA Vehicle Classifications			
<p>1. Motorcycles 2 axles, 2 or 3 tires</p> 	<p>2. Passenger Cars 2 axles, can have 1- or 2-axle trailers</p> 	<p>3. Pickups, Panels, Vans 2 axles, 4-tire single units Can have 1 or 2 axle trailers</p> 	<p>4. Buses 2 or 3 axles, full length</p> 
<p>5. Single Unit 2-Axle Trucks 2 axles, 6 tires (dual rear tires), single-unit</p> 	<p>6. Single Unit 3-Axle Trucks 3 axles, single unit</p> 	<p>7. Single Unit 4 or More-Axle Trucks 4 or more axles, single unit</p> 	<p>8. Single Trailer 3- or 4-Axle Trucks 3 or 4 axles, single trailer</p> 
<p>9. Single Trailer 5-Axle Trucks 5 axles, single trailer</p>  	<p>10. Single Trailer 6 or More-Axle Trucks 6 or more axles, single trailer</p>  		  
<p>11. Multi-Trailer 5 or Less-Axle Trucks 5 or less axles, multiple trailers</p> 		<p>12. Multi-Trailer 6-Axle Trucks 6 axles, multiple trailers</p>  	
<p>13. Multi-Trailer 7 or More-Axle Trucks 7 or more axles, multiple trailers</p> 			

ATTACHMENT "C"
TRUCK ROUTE APPROVAL FORM

City of Ridgeland

1. Destination (Physical Address)_____
2. Building Permit #_____
3. Number and Type of Trucks_____
4. Number of estimate loads_____
5. Purpose of Loads_____
6. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating and Classification_____
7. Trucking Company_____ Phone #_____
8. Trucking Company Address_____
9. Start Point(Physical Address)_____
10. Start Time_____
11. Expiration Date_____
12. Approved Truck Route_____
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John M. McCollum or Designee
Public Works Director
City of Ridgeland

Date_____