

Ordinance No. 2540

ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10.5-3-1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI OF 1992 REGARDING NO WAKE ZONES

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 732-21, the City of Biloxi (the "City") requested the assistance of Harrison County in the establishment of No Wake Zones at the Popp's Ferry Causeway Park;

WHEREAS, Harrison County approved such request and in turn, requested that the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (the "MDMR") establish such No Wake Zones;

WHEREAS, the MDMR approved the establishment of such No Wake Zones;

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City update its ordinance regarding No Wake Zones to include those established near the Popp's Ferry Causeway Park; and

WHEREAS, the Biloxi City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Biloxi that the City's ordinance addressing No Wake Zones be amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION ONE: Section 10.5-3-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi of 1992 is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 10.5-3-1. ~~Tehoutacabouffa river~~ No Wake Zones.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a vessel, including but not limited to motor boats and jet-skis, in the area described in this section in any manner other than at "slow-no wake" speeds, which for purposes of this article shall mean that speed at which a vessel moves as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage control and headway. The areas in which this no-wake article shall be applicable ~~is~~ are described as follows:

- (1) Begin at the Northeast Corner of Lot 5, Wells Ferry Landing, Phase II, and run north across the waters of an offshoot of the Tchoutacabouffa River to the Southeast Corner of Lot 17, Wells Ferry Landing, Phase II; thence from said Southeast Corner follow the meanderings of said offshoot of the Tchoutacabouffa River initially in a westerly direction and continuing along the shoreline of said river and the waterfront margin of Wells Ferry Landing, Phase II, and the waterfront margins of the lots of A Replat of Lots 7 through 16, Wells Ferry Landing Phase II; and thence finally continuing easterly along the shoreline of said river and the margin of Lot 5, Wells Ferry Landing, Phase II, to the Northeast Corner of said Lot 5, and the Point of Beginning.
- (2) Extending two hundred (200) feet north and south of the Popps Ferry Causeway Park boat launch.
- (3) Extending three hundred (300) feet east of the Popps Ferry Bridge and eight hundred fifty (850) feet west of the bridge so as to include the marina at Anatole Bay.

Signs shall be posted at appropriate places within this area to notify the public of the new no-wake zone.

SECTION TWO: Upon unanimous vote of the members of the City Council, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, because it serves the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of Biloxi, and good cause exists for same. If not a unanimous vote this Ordinance shall become effective as soon thereafter as is signed, certified, and as is otherwise provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance having first been reduced to writing, was read by the Clerk and moved by Councilmember Tisdale, seconded by Councilmember Gines, and was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS:	Lawrence	Deming	NAYS:	None
	Gines	Tisdale		
	Newman			

ABSENT: Glavan-*

(*-Absent from the room during discussion and voting only)

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The President then declared the Ordinance adopted this the 16th day of January, 2024.



ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Kei Campbell
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dale M...
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 23rd day of January, 2024.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
MAYOR