

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 3rd day of November, 2025, at its meeting at 6:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chamber at City Hall, 1st Floor Annex, 200 East Broadway, Hobbs, New Mexico, the governing body of the City of Hobbs proposes to adopt an ordinance amending the Uniform Traffic Ordinance as set forth in Chapter 10.04. A summary of the ordinance is contained in its title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10.04, "UNIFORM TRAFFIC ORDINANCE," OF THE HOBBS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT THE 2010 UNIFORM TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED BY THE NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE, INCLUDING ALL CHANGES ADOPTED BY THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATURE FROM 2021 THROUGH 2025

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2016, the City of Hobbs adopted the Uniform Traffic Ordinance via Ordinance No. 1095; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 3-17-6(C) the City of Hobbs may adopt any amendments to the Uniform Traffic Ordinance in the same manner as other ordinances are adopted; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Municipal League authored and disseminated amendments to Articles I through 13 of the Uniform Traffic Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to update the City's traffic regulations to remain consistent with statewide law and the most recent amendments prepared by the New Mexico Municipal League. Adoption of this ordinance will ensure that the City of Hobbs enforces the most current traffic laws as authorized by NMSA 1978, § 3-17-6(B), with the exception of specific provisions not adopted by the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10.04.030 of the Hobbs Municipal Code, proposed amendments to the Uniform Traffic Ordinance shall only be adopted by ordinance through an affirmative vote of the City Commission; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOBBS, NEW MEXICO, that the proposed amendments to the following *Articles* be adopted:

- Article I: Definitions
 - Article III: Application of Traffic Regulations
 - Article IV: Accident and Accident Reports
 - Article V: Signs, Signals, and Markings
 - Article VI: Traffic Regulations
 - Article VII: Special Rules for Motorcycles
 - Article VIII: Operation of Bicycles
 - Article IX: Parking Regulations
 - Article X: Vehicle Regulations
 - Article XII: Penalties and Procedure on Arrest
- Parallel Tables

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the current UTO Sections UTO front cover, 2015 Intro, Article I, Article III, Article IV, Article V, Article VI, Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X, Article XII and 2015 Parallel Tables be removed and replaced with the updated UTO Sections front cover, 2025 Intro, Article I, Article III, Article IV, Article V, Article VI, Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X, Article XII, Article XIII and 2025 Parallel Tables and that a complete and accurate copy of the Uniform Traffic Ordinance, including the amendments adopted herein, shall be available for inspection during normal business hours in the City Clerk's Office.

A copy of the ordinance is available to interested persons during regular business hours in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 200 East Broadway, Hobbs, New Mexico. The ordinance is also available for viewing online at www.hobbsnm.org.

If any person desires to submit public comments related to this proposed ordinance, please submit written comments by email to jfletcher@hobbsnm.org by 4:30 p.m. on November 2, 2025.

/s/Jan Fletcher
Jan Fletcher, City Clerk