

CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA

November 23, 2010 **Regular Meeting** **7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Millirons
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All
INVOCATION: Mayor Millirons

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:**

(Agenda Item 10-11-193)

To add or remove items from the Agenda:

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

(Agenda Item 10-11-194)

1. Approval of the November 8, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes.

(Agenda Item 10-11-195)

2. Approval of the November 8, 2010 Work Session Minutes.

(Agenda Item 10-11-196)

3. Authorization for Mayor Millirons or his designee to enter into a contract with PJA Associates to perform professional consulting services on a Feasibility Study on a proposed Sprinkler System Conversion at Olde Towne Morrow in the amount of \$6,500.00.

4. **FIRST PRESENTATION:**

(Agenda Item 10-11-197)

1. Approval of an Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Morrow, Georgia; To Revise the Standards for Outdoor Watering of Landscape; to repeal conflicting provisions; and for other purposes.

5. **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. (Agenda Item 10-11-198)

Determination on grievance filed by Dan Defnall on June 17, 2010 against Councilman John Lampl.

(Presented by City Attorney Laurel Henderson and R. Read Gignilliat with Elarbee, Thompson, Sapp & Wilson, LLP)

EXECUTIVE SESSION: (To Discuss a Personnel Issue)

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AND OLD BUSINESS:

(Agenda Item 10-11-190)

2. Approval of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Morrow with Respect to Automatic Sprinkler Systems; to repeal conflicting provisions; and for other purposes. *(Presented by City Manager Jeff Eady)*

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

(Agenda Item 10-11-199)

1. Approval of a Resolution of the City of Morrow to establish and adopt a new Official Traffic Control Map for the City. *(Presented by City Manager Jeff Eady)*

(Agenda Item 10-11-200)

2. Approval of a Resolution of the City of Morrow to establish and adopt new Personnel Rules and Regulations for the City of Morrow.
(Presented by City Manager Jeff Eady)

7. **COMMENTS:**

Citizens-
City Manager-
Mayor and Council –

7. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE
CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA; TO REVISE THE STANDARDS FOR
OUTDOOR WATERING OF LANDSCAPE.**

WHEREAS, the City of morrow (hereinafter “City”) recognizes an imminent need to create a culture of water conservation and to plan for water supply enhancement during future extreme drought conditions and other water emergencies;

WHEREAS, reasonable restrictions on the outdoor watering of landscape are necessary to address this in furtherance of addressing this need;

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of Georgia has required all counties/cities in Georgia to adopt an ordinance to be in effect no later than January 1, 2011 to allow outdoor watering of landscape to between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. (with certain exceptions); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 12-5-7, the Mayor and City Council have prepared an ordinance to address outdoor watering of landscape.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Governing Authority of the City of Morrow, Georgia:

“Sec. 1. Restriction on Outdoor Water of Landscape. Outdoor watering for purposes of planting, growing, managing, or maintaining ground cover, trees, shrubs, or other plants may occur only between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m.; provided, however, that this limitation shall not create any limitation upon the following outdoor water uses:

(A) Commercial raising, harvesting, or storing of crops; feeding, breeding, or managing livestock or poultry; the commercial production or storing of feed for use in the production of livestock, including, but not limited to, cattle, calves, swine, hogs, goats, sheep, and rabbits, or for use in the production of poultry, including, but not limited to, chickens, hens, ratites, and turkeys; producing plants, trees, fowl, or animals; or the commercial production of aqua cultural, horticultural, dairy, livestock, poultry, eggs, and apiarian products or as otherwise defined in O.C.G.A. § 1-3-3;

(B) Capture and reuse of cooling system condensate or storm water in compliance with applicable state guidelines;

(C) Reuse of gray water in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 31-3-5.2 and applicable local board of health regulations;

(D) Use of reclaimed waste water by a designated user from a system permitted by the Environmental Protection Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to provide reclaimed waste water;

- (E) Watering personal food gardens;
- (F) Watering new and replanted plant, seed, or turf in landscapes, golf courses, or sports turf fields during installation and for a period of 30 days immediately following the date of installation;
- (G) Drip irrigation or irrigation using soaker hoses;
- (H) Hand watering with a hose with automatic cutoff or handheld container;
- (I) Use of water withdrawn from private water wells or surface water by an owner or operator of property if such well or surface water is on said property;
- (J) Watering horticultural crops held for sale, resale, or installation;
- (K) Watering athletic fields, golf courses, or public turf grass recreational areas;
- (L) Installation, maintenance, or calibration of irrigation systems; or
- (M) Hydro seeding.

Sec. 2. Enforcement.

- (a) No person shall use or allow the use of water in violation of the restrictions on outdoor water use contained in ordinance.
- (b) The City of Morrow's Code Enforcement and Police Department shall be the enforcement authority for this ordinance. The City Manager may also authorize other departments as may be deemed necessary to support enforcement.
- (g) Criminal and alternative penalties. Any violation of this section may also be enforced by a citation or accusation returnable to the municipal court or by any other legal means as set forth in this Code.

Sec. 3. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective upon the date of adoption.

So Ordained this 14th day of December, 2010.

Jim Millirons, Mayor

Attest:

Evyonne Browning, City Clerk
(Seal)

STATE OF GEORGIA

CITY OF MORROW

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MORROW WITH RESPECT TO AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Mayor and Council find that:

(1) Current fire protection codes and standards provide maximum flexibility to fire officials in interpretation of and requirements for installing automatic sprinkler systems; that flexibility sometimes leads disputes between City fire officials and building permit applicants as to the necessity for automated sprinkler systems that can be lessened by drawing more definite standards for frequently occurring situations;

(2) Automated sprinkler systems are required in commercial and multi-family buildings for two purposes: the preservation of life in the event of fire and preservation of the physical structure should a fire occur;

(3) The City of Morrow currently has two fire stations, one serving the primarily residential population north of I-75, the other serving primarily the commercial property south of I-75.

(4) Within the City, numerous buildings previously developed as commercial properties are currently vacant, making early detection of fires in those structures problematic;

(5) Non-sprinkled buildings suffer greater destruction in the event of fire than buildings containing automated sprinkler systems;

(6) Redevelopment of vacant commercial structures is a high priority for the City for the protection against blight and for preserving the economic base for the City; such redevelopment is most likely to occur where the existing vacant structure is in good condition. Fire, in particular, has a destabilizing effect on commercial property and lessens the possibility of redevelopment of that property;

(7) The provisions of this Ordinance strike a balance which preserves life in the event of fire by requiring automated sprinkler systems in larger, more complex commercial and multiple family structures, while still permitting reasonable economic use of small parcels of property

which are suited for much smaller buildings and, for which, regulations short of requiring automatic sprinkler systems adequately protect human life in the event of fire.

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Governing Authority of the City of Morrow, Georgia:

Section 1. That Section 4-2-31 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Morrow, as amended, is hereby further amended by deleting the language of that section in its entirety and inserting the following language in lieu thereof:

“Section 4-2-31. Automatic Sprinkler Systems.

“(a) Buildings of any type construction or occupancy of 5,000 square feet or more of the total floor space for commercial buildings, including parking garages, and all assembly occupancies where seating is available for 100 or more persons or where entertainment is planned or allowed in a facility housing 100 or more persons in any format, as well as all multifamily residential occupancies as that term is defined by Article 4 of the City Zoning Ordinance and including personal care homes, multifamily dwellings, apartments, condominiums, townhouses, hotels, nursing and assisted living homes and row houses, shall be protected throughout by an approved supervised automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with the current State of Georgia adopted edition of NFPA 13, Standards for the installation of sprinkler systems. A sprinkler control valve and water flow device shall be provided for each floor. This is not to restrict the fire official having jurisdiction, or the fire marshal, from requiring the installation of a water-based fire protection system and/or smoke detection system in additional buildings if, in the opinion of the fire official, and for the public interest, the health and welfare of the firefighters, and the protection of human life, such a system is necessary to the type of construction, hazardous content, limited access to the structure, activities proposed for the premises, or for other similar purposes.

“(b)(1) Buildings of two or more stories in height shall be protected throughout by an approved supervised automatic sprinkler system as specified in Subsection (a) above. These types of facilities and structures shall include commercial, multifamily dwellings, motels, hotels, and townhouses and row houses.

“(2) Working smoke detectors hardwired with battery backup shall be provided in the following locations: bedrooms, offices, halls, mechanical rooms, and other hazardous locations as deemed by the fire official, fire marshal, or inspector.

“(c) All hotels, motels, dormitories, apartments, lodgings, townhouses, rooming houses, and all residential board and care facilities shall be protected by an approved supervised automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with the current State of Georgia adopted edition with amendments for NFPA 13 or 13R as modified, Standards for the installation of sprinkler systems in residential occupancies of two and including three stories in height. Based on the type of construction and the tenants’ ability to evacuate, the fire official shall reserve the right to designate which system is best suited in each situation. Residential sprinklers shall be provided within dwelling units, apartments, and guest rooms.

“(d) Existing buildings, when required to have automatic sprinkler protection by Subsections (a), (b), or (c) above, shall be retrofitted for automatic sprinklers as required by the fire official in accordance with NFPA 13 or 13R, when the cost of renovation exceeds 50% of the latest approved assessed value of the building. These buildings shall be required to upgrade and the renovation to meet all current codes, standards, and ordinances as applicable to required fire protection and life safety systems. Historical buildings may require an equivalency concept and working through of the process in conjunction with the Historical Society.

“(e) The owner of the building is responsible for having systems inspected and tested in accordance with NFPA 25, Standard for the inspection, testing, and maintenance of water based fire protection systems, 2002 edition or subsequent edition.

“(f) Where required, Post Indicator Valves (PIV) and Fire Department Connections (FDC) shall be located at or near the main entry to the site, but no closer than 1½ times the height of the building. Appropriate signage shall be provided to designate PIV and FDC connections.

“(g) All water based fire protection systems shall be provided with electronically supervised monitoring, and all fire alarm systems installed in commercial buildings shall be supervised at all times. The fire alarm system shall be required to include the installation of horns and strobes as designated by the fire official, fire chief, or fire marshal.”

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 3. In the event that any word, phrase, clause, or sentence is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, such determination shall not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, or sentences of this Ordinance, and the offending provision shall be severed therefrom, allowing the remainder of this Ordinance to remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be effective upon the date of adoption.

So Ordained this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Mayor Jim Millirons

Attest:

City Clerk

**STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CLAYTON**

RESOLUTION NO. ____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MORROW TO ESTABLISH AND ADOPT A NEW
OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL MAP FOR THE CITY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Morrow maintains an Official Traffic Control Map pursuant to the requirements of section 10-1-4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City; and

WHEREAS, changes in the location of signs, signals and other traffic control devices as well as changes in speed limits necessitate redrawing of the map from time to time in order to maintain its accuracy; and

WHEREAS, the last Official Traffic Control Map was adopted by the City is 2006 and is in need of substantial revision;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Morrow, Georgia, that

The Official Traffic Control Map, prepared by Travis Pruitt and Associates with a last revision date of October 28, 2010, is hereby adopted as the Official Traffic Control Map of the City, superseding all prior maps of similar title.

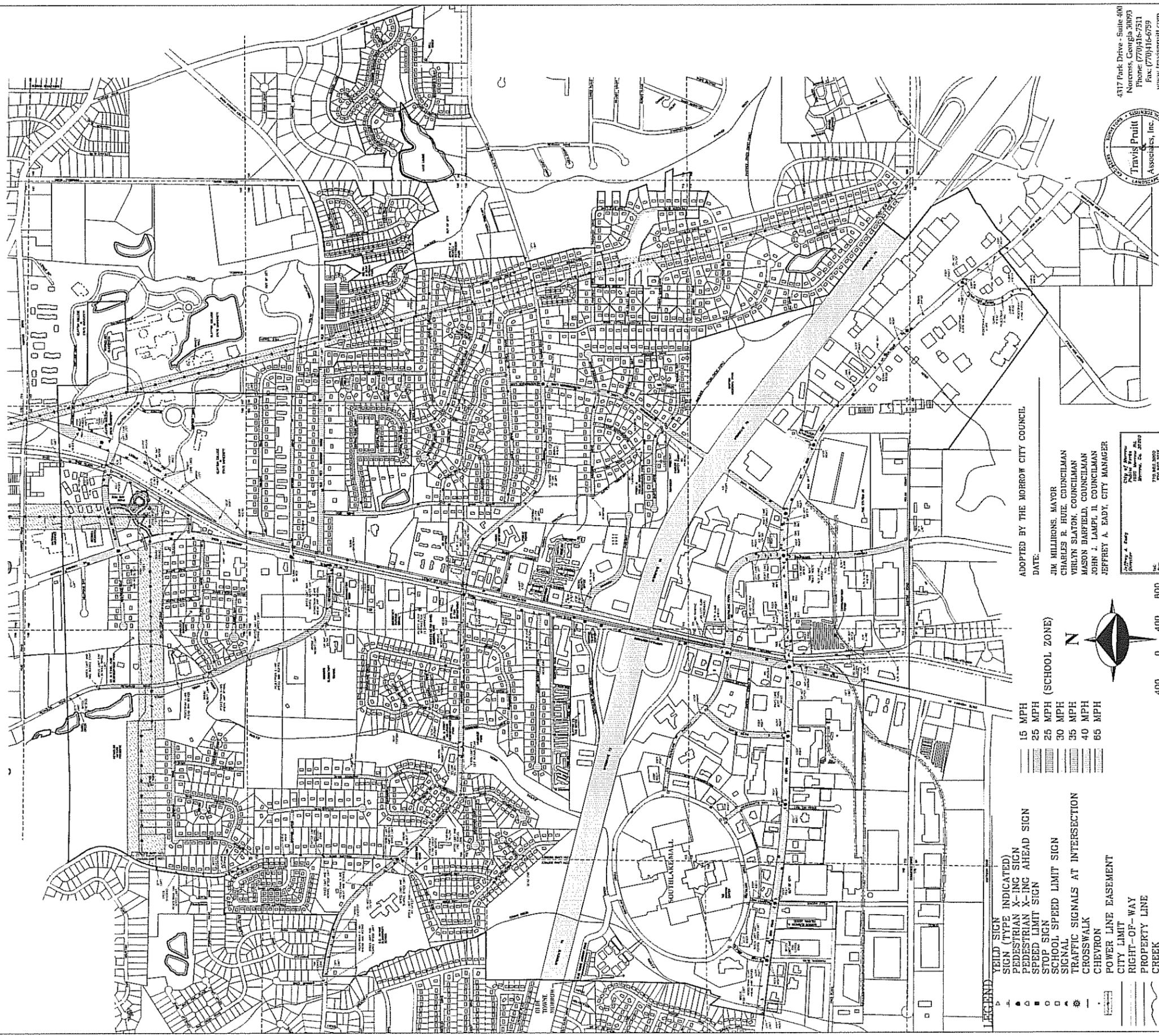
So Resolved this 23rd day of November, 2010.

Jim Millirons, Mayor

ATTEST:

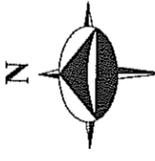
Evyonne Browning, City Clerk
(Seal)

CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL MAP



- LEGEND**
- ▲ YIELD SIGN
 - ◆ SIGN (TYPE INDICATED)
 - PEDESTRIAN X-ING SIGN
 - PEDESTRIAN X-ING AHEAD SIGN
 - SPEED LIMIT SIGN
 - STOP SIGN
 - SCHOOL SPEED LIMIT SIGN
 - SIGNAL
 - TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT INTERSECTION
 - CROSSWALK
 - CHEYRON
 - POWER LINE EASEMENT
 - CITY LIMIT
 - RIGHT-OF-WAY
 - PROPERTY LINE
 - CREEK
 - ++ CEMETERY
 - * CEMETERY LOCATION PROVIDED BY CITY OF MORROW

- 15 MPH
- 25 MPH
- 30 MPH (SCHOOL ZONE)
- 35 MPH
- 40 MPH
- 65 MPH



ADOPTED BY THE MORROW CITY COUNCIL
DATE: _____

JIM MILLIGNS, MAYOR
CHARLES R. HUIE, COUNCILMAN
VIRLYN SLAYTON, COUNCILMAN
MASON BARFIELD, COUNCILMAN
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STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 10-11-__

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MORROW TO ESTABLISH AND ADOPT NEW
PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF MORROW**

WHEREAS, the City of Morrow recognizes the importance of an effective Personnel Management System; and

WHEREAS, the City of Morrow Personnel Rules and Regulations have not had a comprehensive update since June 23, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Changing Employment Conditions, Federal and State Laws, and Management Practices necessitate periodic change in established Personnel Rules and Regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Morrow, Georgia that these proposed Personnel Rules and Regulations shall be in full force and effect upon adoption.

SO RESOLVED this 23rd day of November, 2010.

Jim Millirons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Evyonne Browning, City Clerk

(Seal)