

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2004-01**

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE THEFT OR REMOVAL OF STOP SIGNS AND STREET SIGNS AND ANY OTHER SIGNS BELONGING TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF TOM BEAN. THIS INCLUDES ALL SIGNS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AS WELL AS THE EXTRA TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF TOM BEAN, TEXAS.

**Whereas:**

1. To maintain signs in the City of Tom Bean for proper flow of traffic.
2. To provide proper identification of streets for emergency services.
3. To maintain the safety and welfare of all citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TOM BEAN, TEXAS:** hereby assesses a mandatory fine for the theft of any signs within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the City of Tom Bean that have been placed for the safety and welfare of the citizens of Tom Bean.

**Section 1.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to implement the provisions of this ordinance to protect the public welfare and safety.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall repeal in it's entirety all existing ordinances that are or may be inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance.

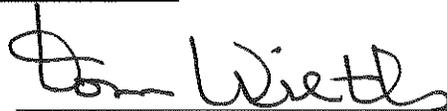
**Section 3.** This ordinance shall apply to all persons who create a danger to the welfare and protection to all citizens and person's who use our streets and highways.

**Section 4. PENALTY.** Any person violating any provision of the ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine of no less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.) and not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.) for each offense as covered by this ordinance.

**Section 5.** That the City Secretary shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law; and this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by law.

**Section 6.** This ordinance shall be in effect upon it's reading and passage by the City Council of Tom Bean, Texas.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TOM BEAN, TEXAS ON THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2004.**



Mayor

Attest:



City Secretary