

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS DESIGNATING FOUR PARKING SPACES FOR SAN MARCOS POLICE PARKING ONLY AND DESIGNATING SUCH SPACES AS NO PARKING TOW AWAY ZONES, AS AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 82.161 OF THE SAN MARCOS CITY CODE, TO IMPROVE POLICE ACCESSIBILITY AND RESPONSE TIMES, AND TO ENHANCE DOWNTOWN SECURITY OPERATIONS DURING PEAK ACTIVITY HOURS FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 3:00 A.M. DAILY; INCLUDING PROCEDURAL PROVISIONS; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS:

1. Section 82.161 of the San Marcos City Code authorizes any street, alley or city-owned property or part thereof to be designated as a no parking tow-away zone by ordinance.
2. The San Marcos Police Department requests to reserve four on-street parking spaces within the downtown area from 5:00 P.M. to 300 A.M. daily to support enhanced downtown security operations, as depicted in the map attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as Exhibit "A."
3. On February 23, 2026 the Parking Advisory Board adopted Resolution RR2026.01RR-PAB recommending approval of such spaces for police parking as requested by the Police Department.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves the designation of four parking spaces as San Marcos Police Parking Only during the peak hours of 5:00 P.M. and 3:00 A.M. daily as depicted in Exhibit "A."

SECTION 2. During the hours listed in Section 1, the designated parking spaces shall be reserved exclusively for San Marcos Police Department officers and such spaces are also designated as no parking tow-away zones pursuant to Section 82.161.

SECTION 3. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this ordinance will continue in force if they can be given effect without the invalid portion

SECTION 4. All ordinances and resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in effect upon adoption on second reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading on May 5, 2026.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on second reading on May 19, 2026.

Jane Hughson
Mayor

Attest:

Approved:

Elizabeth Trevino
City Clerk

Samuel J. Aguirre
City Attorney

EXHIBIT A - POLICE PARKING AND TOW-AWAY ZONE LOCATIONS