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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL — RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Texas Department of Transportation
Traffic Safety Division — Legal Section
125 E. 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78701-2483

Re: Pre-Release Courtesy Copy — Traffic and Safety Ordinance Compliance Findings, City of Chandler, Texas

Dear Public Information Coordinator:

Native Chaos Holdings, an independent transparency initiative publishing independent compliance research, is pleased to provide a courtesy pre-release copy of a Non-Compliance Findings Report concerning the City of Chandler, Texas Code of Ordinances, with particular focus on traffic, safety, and accident-reporting provisions under Chapter 12 (Traffic Code) and the Texas Transportation Code.

The findings within TxDOT's jurisdiction over traffic laws, speed limits on state highway segments, and Transportation Code compliance are as follows:

- HIGH — §12.01.016: Accident-reporting threshold set at \$25 — direct conflict with Transportation Code §550.062(c)(1), which sets the reporting threshold at \$1,000. The City's threshold is 40 times lower than the statutory floor, forcing motorists to report trivial damage and exposing them to criminal liability for non-reporting.
- MEDIUM — §12.03.051: Speed-limit ordinance on School House Rd referencing SH 31 and FM 315 — state highways — raises authority-gap concerns. Under Transportation Code §545.356, TxDOT sets speed limits on state-maintained roadways within a municipality.
- MEDIUM — §12.04.001: No-parking zone on FM 315 — state highway — may not be lawfully established solely by City ordinance without TxDOT concurrence (Transportation Code §545.306)

Findings Routed to TX-TxDOT

Ordinance	Category	Severity	Description
§12.01.016	CONFLICT	HIGH	Accident-reporting threshold \$25 vs. Transp. Code §550.062 \$1,000 floor
§12.03.051	AUTHORITY GAP	MEDIUM	Speed-limit ordinance on SH 31 / FM 315 — state highways
§12.04.001	AUTHORITY GAP	MEDIUM	No-parking zone on FM 315 — TxDOT concurrence required

Native Chaos Holdings intends to make the full audit report publicly available no earlier than 30 days from the date of this letter. Native Chaos Holdings respectfully requests the opportunity for any agency technical review of these traffic and safety provisions during this period. Should SECO elect to provide guidance on any of the foregoing

findings, Native Chaos Holdings would welcome the opportunity to incorporate that guidance into a supplemental findings annotation before public release. Any inquiries may be directed to Native Chaos Holdings using the contact information set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Independent Non-Compliance Findings Report (Full Text)

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STATUTE CITATION UPDATE (July 10, 2026)

All statutory citations in this letter have been verified against the current text on statutes.capitol.texas.gov. Key precise citations include:

- LGC §54.001(b): General ordinance fine cap is \$500 (Class C misdemeanor per Penal Code §12.23); \$2,000 only for fire safety, zoning, or public health and sanitation (other than dumping of refuse).
- HS §822.042(b): Owner has 15 days to appeal a dangerous-dog determination ("Notwithstanding any other law, including a municipal ordinance"). Destruction order is stayed for 10 calendar days during appeal.
- LGC §229.001(b): Municipality may not regulate possession of a firearm or air gun in a park or public meeting place owned or leased by a political subdivision (including the city itself).
- HS §388.003: Statewide energy code (current IECC edition) is mandatory.
- Tax Code §351.101: Hotel occupancy tax revenue is strictly limited to tourism, convention, and advertising purposes — no unrestricted diversion to the general fund is permitted.
- NRC §81.0523(b)–(c): Railroad Commission has exclusive jurisdiction over oil and gas operations; subsurface well construction, casing, cementing, and pipeline permitting are preempted unless strictly limited to aboveground activity.

These updates strengthen the findings. The full updated report is enclosed.