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Agenda Report

New Business - Development and Environmental Services Group

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Subject:

Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise, Re: Ordinance Amending Chapter 62, Article IX, Sign Code.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

Planning and Development

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve legislative intent and permission to advertise an ordinance change amending Section 62-3309(a)(1)e. of Chapter 62, Article IX, Sign Code.

Summary Explanation and Background:

On February 6, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners discussed the potential to amend the Sign Code to allow a sponsored sign on County-owned property. The code currently allows for sign sponsorship of beautification / landscape signs on county property not exceeding four (4) square feet in size and two (2) feet in height. If the Board determines that the size limitation in this is too restrictive, they may consider increasing the square footage allowance. Example below:

Beautification / landscaping sponsorship signs placed on County property shall not exceed forty (40) square feet in size and eight (8) feet in height. Beautification / landscaping signs placed in the County right-of-way shall not exceed four (4) square feet and two (2) feet in height.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

None

Sec. 62-3309. - Prohibited signs.

(a) Generally. The following types of signs are prohibited:

- (1) Signs which are placed on county property, including the county right-of-way, except for the following:
 - a. Government regulatory signs;
 - b. Emergency signs, warning signs erected by a governmental agency, public utility company, or contractor doing authorized or permitted work within the public right-of-way;
 - c. Bus bench and shelter signs authorized by the board of county commissioners;
 - d. Temporary signs which meet the criteria provided in subsection 62-3317(2);
 - e. Beautification/landscaping sponsorship signs not exceeding ~~four~~ forty (40) square feet in size and ~~two~~ eight (8) feet in height.
- (2) Portable signs, except as provided in section 62-3317;
- (3) Signs which imitate authorized traffic signs, signals or devices;
- (4) Snipe signs;
- (5) Signs found by the code enforcement division or building division to be structurally unsafe or a hazard to public safety;
- (6) Abandoned signs;
- (7) Any series of two or more signs which must be read together to obtain a single message;
- (8) Animated signs or activated signs;
- (9) Roof signs, except when incorporated into the building plans as an integral part of the structure;
- (10) Any sign which is erected, constructed or located on a parcel or tract of land without obtaining the appropriate permits when a permit is required;
- (11) No off-premises signs shall be erected after October 16, 2003, except that upgrades, replacements, or modifications to existing signs may be permitted as authorized by this section for condemnation settlement proceedings addressing replacement of existing nonconforming off-premise signs or billboards and new digital or traditional billboards may replace existing nonconforming off-premise signs or billboards where the county has made a legal settlement or agreed to do so in the course of condemnation and/or eminent domain proceedings. A digital off-premise sign face approved pursuant to a condemnation settlement agreement may be relocated to an existing nonconforming off-premise sign structure at the sole discretion of the board.