

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

| | Meeting Date: April 18 | 3, 2017 | |
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| | Item # | 0 | |
| | (MA) | Reviewed By: | |
| Contact Name: | Mike Rumer, City Planner | Department Dire | ctor: Craig Shadrix |
| Contact Number: | (407) 905-3100 x1018 | City Manager: | Rob Frank |
| Subject: Second R | Reading of Ordinance Regulat | ing Human Signs | |

Background Summary:

The First reading of this ordinance was read at the March 21, 2017 City Commission Meeting and no comments were made.

A human sign is a sign that is continuously held by, spun, or attached to a person that displays a commercial message advertising or otherwise drawing attention to a business, commodity, service, or product.

In recent months, the City of Ocoee City Commission and the City of Ocoee Community Redevelopment Agency have observed an increase in the number of human signs in the City. Staff was directed to evaluate methods by which such behavior could be regulated more effectively.

Upon review of numerous city codes across the state, City staff proposes an ordinance to regulate human signs in much the same manner as fixed signage is regulated. Under the proposed ordinance the Land Development Code and Chapter 153 of the City of Ocoee Code of Ordinances are both amended.

The proposed ordinance will allow for one human sign per business. Additionally, a human sign must remain on the same parcel or within the common areas of a commercial subdivision within which the business, commodity, service, or product being advertised is located; the total sign area for any single human sign may not exceed 96 square inches (2 feet x 4 feet); and a human sign shall not occupy any portion of the public right-of-way or other public property.

issue:

Should the Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners approve an ordinance establishing regulations relating to human signs?

Recommendations

Staff respectfully recommends that the Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners approve an Ordinance establishing regulations relating to human signs.

Attachments:

Proposed Ordinance.

Financial Impact:

N/A

| Type of Item: | . (please mark with | h an "x") | | |
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| Х | Public Hearing | | For Clerk's Dept. Use: | |
| | Ordinance First Re | eading (3/21/2017) | Consent Agenda | |
| X | X Ordinance Second Reading (4/4/2017) | | Public Hearing | |
| <u> </u> | Resolution | | Regular Agenda | |
| X Commission Approval | | | | |
| | Discussion & Dire | ction | | |
| | | ntract Attached for Execution by City Clerk | | |
| Origin | al Document/Cor | ntract Held by Department for Execution | | |
| Reviewed by C | ity Attorney | Dana Crosby Collier | | N/A |
| Reviewed by F | inance Dept. | | | N/A |
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EXHIBIT "A"

<u>Section 1.</u> A new subsection S is added to Section 8-6 of the City of Ocoee Land Development Code, to read as follows with underlines showing new language:

Section 8-6. – Other Signs – General Requirements.

S. Human Signs.

<u>A Human Sign is a sign that is continuously held by, spun, or attached to a person that displays a commercial message advertising or otherwise drawing attention to a business, commodity, service, or product. Human Signs are permitted in all non-residential zoning districts but shall be subject to the following conditions.</u>

(1) Only one Human Sign per business is permitted;

(2) A Human Sign must remain on the same parcel on which the business, commodity, service, or product being advertised is located or within the common areas of a commercial subdivision within which the business, commodity, service, or product being advertised is located;

(3) Total sign area for any single Human Sign may not exceed 18 square feet; and

(4) A Human Sign shall not occupy any portion of the public right-of-way or other public property.

(All other provisions of section 8.6 of the City of Ocoee Land Development Code remain unchanged by this amendment.)

<u>Section 2</u>. Section 153-4, City of Ocoee Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended to read as follows with underlines showing new language:

Section 153-4. - Prohibitions.

A. Construction of masonry or other substantial structures within city streets, rights-ofway or easements is prohibited unless approved by the City Commission.

B. No private sign shall be permitted in city rights-of-way.

C. No Human Sign, as the term is defined in Section 8-6 of the Land Development Code, shall occupy any portion of the city right-of-way or other public property.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OCOEE, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 8-6 OF THE CITY OF OCOEE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, DEFINING AND REGULATING HUMAN SIGNS; AMENDING SECTION 153-4 OF THE CITY OF OCOEE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PROHIBITING HUMAN SIGNS FOR PURPOSES OF RIGHT-OF-WAY UTILIZATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, as provided in Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and chapters 163 and 166, Florida Statutes, the City of Ocoee (the "City") enjoys all home rule authority, police power, land development and zoning authority, and governmental and proprietary powers necessary to conduct municipal government and perform municipal functions; and

WHEREAS, the City may exercise any power for municipal purposes, except as expressly prohibited by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission in good faith determines that this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City and its residents and promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OCOEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Recitals.</u> The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. <u>Authority</u>. The City Commission of the City of Ocoee has the authority to adopt this Ordinance pursuant to Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes.

Section 3. <u>Amendment to Code.</u> Section 153-4 of the City of Ocoee Code of Ordinances, and Section 8-6 of the City of Ocoee Land Development Code, is hereby amended as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

Section 4. <u>Severability</u>. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereto.

Section 5. <u>Codification</u>. It is the intention of the City Commission of the City that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City; and that sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "chapter," "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions; and regardless of whether such inclusion in the Code is accomplished, sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the correction of typographical errors which do not affect the intent may be authorized by the City Manager, without need of public hearing, by filing a corrected or recodified copy of same with the City Clerk.

Section 6. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Ordinance shall be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

CITY OF OCOEE, FLORIDA

Melanie Sibbitt, City Clerk

Rusty Johnson, Mayor

(SEAL)

ADVERTISED ______, 20___ READ FIRST TIME _____, 20__ READ SECOND TIME AND ADOPTED ______, 20___ UNDER AGENDA ITEM NO.

FOR USE AND RELIANCE ONLY BY THE CITY OF OCOEE, FLORIDA; APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY this ____ day of ____, 20__.

SHUFFIELD, LOWMAN & WILSON, P.A.

Ву: _____

City Attorney

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