SALEM PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 23-01

A resolution initiating amendments to the Salem Revised Code addressing the Sign Code, SRC Chapter 900.

Whereas, Sign Code is part of the UDC; and

Whereas, there is a need to clarify several definitions found in the Sign Code; and

Whereas, there is a need to update and clarify the development standards applicable for temporary and permanent signs; and

Whereas, there is a need to update the standards applicable for vehicle viewing signs (menu boards for drive-through uses); and

Whereas, there is a need to remove the current process for sign adjustments, sign variances, and sign conditional use permits and instead allow the development standards of the sign code to be adjusted and varied using the procedures of SRC Chapters 245 and 250, and establishing additional development standards applicable to electronic display signs; and

Whereas, a need to establish a measurable brightness standards for electronic signs to address signs that may be impairing the vision of motorist or the effectiveness of an official traffic sign, devise, or signal; and

Whereas, there is a need for an overall review of the Sign Code for minor housekeeping changes throughout the chapter; and

Whereas, amendments to the Salem Revised Code may be initiated by the Salem Planning Commission by resolution pursuant to SRC 300.1110(a); NOW THEREFORE

NOW, THEREFORE, THE SALEM PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The matter of considering amendments to the Salem Revised Code to clarify definitions; update development standards for temporary and permanent signs; update the Sign Code to reflect current zones and overlay zones; update vehicle viewing sign (menu board) standards; remove sign adjustment, sign variance, and sign conditional use permits; create measurable electronic display brightness standards; and review the overall Sign Code for housekeeping issues be set for a public hearing before the Salem Planning Commission on a future date to be determined by the Planning Administrator.

ATTEST:

Section 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Salem Planning Commission this 28th day of February 2023.

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