



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 03, 2002

Council Session

Item F2

#8787 - Consideration of Amendment to Grand Island City Code 31-35 Relative to Signs in AC Zoning District

This ordinance amends the sign code to limit the development of billboards between Fonner Park Road, and Stolley Park Road. In addition this ordinance establishes setbacks for signs in the AC zone within the sign regulations.

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ORDINANCE NO. 8787

An ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of the Grand Island City Code; to amend Section 31-35 pertaining to authorized signs in AC-Arterial Commercial Zone; to repeal Section 31-35 as now existing, and any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to provide for publication and the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Section 31-35 of the Grand Island City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

§31-35. Authorized Signs In Portions of AC-Arterial Commercial Zone

All signs placed in the AC-Arterial Commercial Zone ~~from Stolley Park Road south to U.S. Highway 34~~ shall be subject to the following requirements:

(A) Signs Allowed. Ground signs, monument signs, roof signs, wall signs (flat or projecting), and freestanding ground signs. (Monument signs shall be those ground signs in which the base width is fifty percent (50%) or more of the width of the sign.)

(B) Size.

(1) Total ground signage allowed per tract of land shall be one square foot of sign for each one lineal foot of street frontage for the first one hundred fifty feet and .75 foot of signage for each lineal foot thereafter. The total ground signage on the property shall not exceed three hundred square feet. (The area of a double-faced sign is calculated on the largest face only).

(2) No single ground sign shall exceed two hundred square feet.

(C) Location.

(1) All signs shall be set back from the front property line a minimum of five feet, and a minimum of ten feet from all other property lines. Exception: the side property line adjacent to a public street shall have a minimum setback of five feet. Monument signs shall be set back from the front property line a minimum of twelve feet, and ten feet from all other property lines.

(2) All ground and monument signs shall be set back from the side property line a distance equal to or greater than 25% of the lot frontage. Exception: the side lot line adjacent to a public street.

(3) Ground signs on the same tract of land shall be separated by a minimum of fifty lineal feet. The one exception shall be directional signs not exceeding four square feet in size.

(D) Height.

(1) The maximum height of ground signs shall be thirty feet.

(2) Signs shall maintain twelve feet of clearance above all adjacent walking or driving surfaces.

(3) Signs may project over a sidewalk or drive on private property, but shall not extend beyond such surface.

(E) All other provisions of the city code shall apply; the most restrictive requirement shall be enforced.

(F) Billboards.

(1) The maximum size of any billboard shall be three hundred square feet. (The area of double-faced, or back-to-back signs will be calculated on the largest face only).

(2) The maximum height of any billboard shall be thirty feet.

(3) Billboards shall not be located in the required front yard and shall maintain a ten foot setback from all other property lines.

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(4) Billboards shall maintain a 1,000 foot separation between other billboards located along the same side of the Locust Street right-of-way and shall be a minimum of fifty feet from any ground sign.

(5) Billboards shall not be calculated in the maximum allowable on-site signage.

(6) There shall be no more than five total billboards allowed in the AC-Arterial Commercial Zone from Stolley Park Road south to U.S. Highway 34.

(7) No billboards shall be allowed within the AC Arterial Commercial Zone within the area bounded by Stolley Park Road on the south and Fonner Park Road on the north.

SECTION 2. Section 31-35 as now existing, and any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and hereby are, repealed.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and publication, within fifteen days in one issue of the Grand Island Independent as provided by law.

Enacted: December 3, 2002.

Ken Gnadt, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk