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Amendment of Chapter 13-20-680 of Municipal Code to further regulate signs/signboards Committee on Zoning, Landmarks and Building Standards

Type:

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#### SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE

**SECTION 1.** Section 13-20-680 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

#### 13-20-680 Council approval.

A city council order approving a sign shall be required in addition to the normal permit for any sign which exceeds 100 feet2 (9.3 m2) in area or any roof or ground sign, structure or signboard over 24 feet (7.32 m) in height. Before the application for a permit for such sign is filed with the building commissioner, the applicant shall submit a duplicate of the application to the alderman of the ward in which the sign is to be located. At the time the duplicate is submitted to the alderman, the applicant shall submit to the city clerk an order for the approval or disapproval of the sign for introduction at the next regular meeting of the city council, and proof that the public notice provided for in this section has been given and a list of all persons who have been given such notice. The council order, upon being introduced to the council, shall be forwarded to the appropriate committee for hearing. Prior to filing its application, the applicant for the permit shall give notice to all voters registered at addresses within 250 feet (76.2 m) of the proposed sign location.

Any change to a sign for which a city council order was issued or required to be issued that changes the sign from a static image display sign to a dynamic image display sign shall require an additional city council order in compliance with the requirements of this section and a new sign permit in compliance with the requirements of this code. For purposes of this section only, "dynamic image display sign" means any sign with characteristics that appear to have movement or that appear to change, caused by any method other than physically removing and replacing the sign or its components, whether the apparent movement or change is in the display, the sign structure itself, or any other component of the sign. This includes a display that incorporates a technology or method allowing the sign face to change the image without having to physically or mechanically replace the sign face or its components. This also includes any rotating, revolving, moving, flashing, blinking, or animated display and any display that incorporates rotating panels, LED lights manipulated through digital input, "digital ink" or any other method or technology that allows the sign face to present a series of images or displays. A "dynamic image display sign" shall include a changing-image sign, as that term is defined in section 17-17-0234, a video-display sign, as that term is defined in section 17-17-02190, and a flashing sign, as that term is defined in section 17-17-0256.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

**Brendan Reilly** Alderman, 42<sup>nd</sup> Ward