CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-10-08

Amending Chapter 4, Article 4.05, Signs

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE PROVISIONS FOR SIGN VARIANCES BY AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 4, "BUILDING REGULATIONS," ARTICLE 4.05, "SIGNS,", SECTION 4.05.008 (C) "APPROVED SIGNS AND STANDARDS – APPROVED TEMPORARY SIGNS" TO CLARIFY THE PLACEMENT OF OFF-SITE TEMPORARY BANNER AND PORTABLE SIGNS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, REPEALER AND SAVINGS CLAUSES; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED TO BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas (the "City Council") has investigated and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Lavon, Texas ("Lavon") to amend the provisions pertaining to temporary signs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority under state law to adopt the regulations herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City and that the regulations provided herein will promote and provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds that the statements set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are true and correct, and the City Council hereby incorporates such recitals as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT

Chapter 4, "Building Regulations," Article 4.05, "Signs," of the City's Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 4.05.008 (c) to read as follows:

"Sec. 4.05.008 Approved Signs and Standards

- (c) Approved Temporary Signs
 - (1) Banner Signs and Portable Signs. Temporary banner signs and portable signs may be used for advertisement of events, activities, products, or commodities as follows:
 - (A) <u>Banner signs and portable signs for nonprofit agencies</u>. Off-site and on-site temporary banner signs and portable signs may be used to advertise activities or

events that are sponsored by a nonprofit or governmental agency or group, <u>or an organization functioning in a way that advances the priorities or interests of the city</u> to benefit a program or activity of that agency or group under the following conditions:"

(ii) No more than one (1) on-site and no more than three (3) off-site banners may be erected for any specific event or activity for a period not exceeding fourteen (14) days

SECTION 3. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication if required by governing law.

SECTION 4. Severability

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be enforced as written.

SECTION 5. Repealer and Savings

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances of the City and shall not repeal any of the provisions of such ordinances except in those instances where provisions of those ordinances are in direct conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance; whether such ordinances are codified or uncodified, and all other provisions of the ordinances of the City, codified or uncodified, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect. Any repeal occurring due to this provision shall not abate any pending prosecution or lawsuit and/or prevent any prosecution or lawsuit from being commenced for any violation occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. Open Meeting

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code and as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas this 7th day of October 2025.

ATTEST:

Rae Norton, City Secretary