

PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF ROMEO

ORDINANCE NO. 511, AMENDING ORDINANCE, NO. 482, OF THE VILLAGE OF ROMEO, MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ZONING ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF ROMEO, MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AMENDING SECTION 46-578 OF ITS ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING SIGNS.

The Village of Romeo ordains:

Section 46-578 of the Village of Romeo Zoning Ordinance is amended to provide as follows:

Permitted Portable Signs. Portable sidewalk or "A-frame" signs are allowed in the Village of Romeo, provided that each such sign has met the requirements of this section and a permit for such sign has been issued in accordance with and as required by Section 46-578(c) of the Village of Romeo Zoning Ordinance.

Size and Construction. All portable sidewalk or "A-frame" signs shall conform to the following size and construction criteria:

1. The sign shall be of A-frame construction with a minimum base spread of 18 inches; not more than 24 inches wide; and not more than 36 inches high. The sign shall be sturdy and stable.

2. The sign shall not have more than two (2) faces and the surfaces of the sign shall be durable.

3. Copy on the sign may be painted or printed on the surface or surfaces. Loose paper faces shall not be permitted. The sign shall not be illuminated by any means except natural light and existing street lighting.

4. Placement of the sign shall be in a manner that is safe for and does not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic. Placement of the sign shall be coordinated with other signs, benches, trees, planters and other street-scape elements such that a minimum of 5 feet of unobstructed sidewalk shall be maintained at all points along the sidewalk for pedestrian use.

5. Only one (1) sign is permitted for each permanent address of a building. A business with its only entrance door on a pedestrian alleyway, such as Starkweather Alley, may place one (1) sign per pedestrian alley only at the curb edge along the street on which the building faces. All businesses in a building that have their only entrance door on a pedestrian alleyway shall share a single sign by listing the businesses on one (1) sign, or by alternating usage of the sign at different times.

6. A sign may be placed outside only during the hours when a business is open to the general public and shall be stored indoors, out of sight, at all other times.

7. A sign application shall show a drawing of the front and side of the sign and shall include the dimensions of the sign and a plan of the sidewalk area and intended sign placement, all of which shall show compliance with the provisions of this section. The application shall include the applicant's name, address, business name, contact information and hours of operation.

8. The owner of the sign and the owner of the site upon which it is located shall sign a statement assuming all liability for damage and injury that may be caused by the sign and releasing and indemnifying the Village of Romeo from and against any and all claims for liability or damages that may be caused by the sign. If requested by the Village of Romeo, the owner of the sign and the owner of the site upon which the sign is located must provide the Village of Romeo with proof of insurance against liability and damages in an amount and manner acceptable to the Village of Romeo.

Community Purpose Signs. Community purpose, general informational A-frame signs may be placed off-site by academic, charitable, or religious organizations, subject to the following limitations:

1. The event for which the sign is being placed shall be of a specific and limited nature, such as, by way of illustration and not limitation, a community-wide breakfast, a performance for entertainment, a conference or special event or service.

2. The sign shall not be displayed for more than two (2) weeks before the scheduled event, and shall be removed within two (2) days of the conclusion of the scheduled event.

3. Signs permitted under this section shall not be placed on public property and may only be placed on private property. No commercial signs are permitted under this section.

4. The owner of the sign and the owner of the site upon which it is located shall sign a statement assuming all liability for damage and injury that may be caused by the sign and releasing and indemnifying the Village of Romeo from and against any and all claims for liability or damages that may be caused by the sign. If requested by the Village of Romeo, the owner of the sign and the owner of the site upon which the sign is located must provide the Village of Romeo with proof of insurance against liability and damages in an amount and manner acceptable to the Village of Romeo.

Repeal of Conflicting Provisions. All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, repealed. In all other respects the Village of Romeo Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 482, as amended, is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity or unconstitutionality of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance and they shall remain valid and enforceable.

Publication. This ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of Romeo, Macomb County, Michigan, within 15 days after its adoption.

Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on the 3rd day of March, 2010.

A complete copy of this ordinance is on file and available for public inspection at the Village of Romeo Office, 121 W. St. Clair, Romeo, Michigan 48065, during regular business hours, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

ADOPTION OF THE AFORESAID ORDINANCE

MOVED BY: Trustee Rossell

SUPPORTED BY: Trustee Edwards

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MADE, PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE OF ROMEO BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON THIS 22nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010.

PAUL REIZ
Romeo Village President

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 511, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 482 of the Village of Romeo Zoning Ordinance, passed at the regular meeting of the Village of Romeo Board of Trustees held on the 22nd day of February, 2010.

Marian T. McLaughlin, CMC
Romeo Village Clerk/Admin.

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