

ORDINANCE NO. 3682

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18.32 OF THE ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE BY PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR OFF-PREMISE (BILLBOARDS).

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section 18.32.110 of the Albany Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

"Section 18.32.110 Wind Pressure and Dead Load Requirements."

- a) All signs shall be designed and constructed to withstand wind loads as set forth in Appendix 1 set forth at the end of this chapter; and shall be constructed to receive dead loads as required in the building code or other city ordinances;
- b) All off-premise signs (billboards) will be supported by a permanent steel structure.
- c) All signs and the sites on which they are located and the immediate area adjacent thereto shall be maintained in a neat, clean and attractive condition.

Section 2: Section 18.32.265 is added to the Municipal Code to read as follows:

"Section 18.32.265 Off-Premise Signs (Billboards)"

- a) Location: All off-premise signs shall comply with applicable state and city requirements and location of the signs will be permitted only in C-1, M-1, M-2, and M-3 zones.
- b) Spacing: Signs shall be located no closer than as follows:
 - 1. Along interstate highways 500 feet on one side.
 - 2. Along express ways and major arterials 500 feet on one side.
 - 3. There shall be no more than 1,500 square feet of area of signs, excluding cut-outs, within one-half mile lineal distances measured parallel to the center line of the highway or a street.

4. The maximum height of any sign shall not exceed thirty feet from ground level to the top of the sign.

c) Size:

1. The poster panels shall not be larger than 300 square feet with 20% percent allowed for cutouts.
2. Bulletin Displays shall not exceed 672 square feet.

d) The site plan approved by the planning commission shall be required prior to the approval of bulletin displays. This requirement shall not apply to the maintenance and reconstruction of any bulletin display lawfully in existence prior to the effective date of this ordinance. Prior to site plan approval, the building official and the planning commission must find the display complies with this section and is in accordance with all other provisions of this ordinance, state and federal laws and regulations, and that granting approval would be consistent with the purposes of this ordinance and within the present and existing principals of the sign code.

e) Animation: In addition to requirements as provided in other sections of this Chapter, only time, temperature, weather, date or similar information shall be permitted on off-premise signs.

Section 3: Section 18.32.300 of the Albany Municipal Code is amended by the addition thereto of subparagraph (D) to read as follows:

(D) Off-premise signs (billboards).

1. If off-premise signs are located in C-1, M-1, M-2, and M-3 zones, they shall be rebuilt to steel structures within five years from the date of this ordinance.
2. If off-premise signs are located in zones other than C-1, M-1, M-2, and M-3 said signs shall be removed by the owners thereof within 10 years of the date of this ordinance.

Section 4: Section 18.32.030 of the Albany Municipal Code Covering Definitions is hereby amended by the addition of (r) to read as follows:

(r) Off-premise signs. Shall mean identity signs which

advertise goods, products or services which are not sold, manufactured, or distributed on or from the premises on which the sign is located.

David C. Hayes
(Mayor) President

ATTEST:

Ernest W. Isham
City Recorder

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