

Ordinance No. 1129

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN subparagraph (9), subsection (b) Section 35-58, Article IX, Chapter 35 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, which Chapter 35 relates to zoning, which Article IX relates to signs, which Section 35-58 relates to commercial zones, which subsection (b) relates to signs permitted within commercial zones, which subparagraph (9) relates to free standing signs.

WHEREAS, pursuant to due and timely notice of the time and place of hearing published in a daily paper of general circulation published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, a public hearing was held in relation to the matter hereinafter set forth, at which public hearing parties in interest and citizens had an opportunity to be heard, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That subparagraph (9), subsection (b), Section 35-58, Article IX, Chapter 35 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(9) **FREE STANDING SIGNS.** Free standing signs upon a lot may be erected or displayed only where drive-in service or parking is provided, leaving a distance between the building and a side lot line of twenty-five feet or more, or where a building is set back twenty-five feet or more from the front lot line; provided that not more than two such free standing signs shall be permitted for any building or building unit having a street frontage with such drive-in service area, parking area, or building setback. No signs other than those indicated on the sign application shall be attached to a free standing sign. Free standing signs shall not be erected more than thirty feet above grade, nor project more than four feet beyond the property line, and shall not exceed one hundred square feet in area. Free standing signs may be increased in height one foot and increased in area ten feet for each ten feet of setback in excess of the required setback from any lot line with a special use permit as specified in article X of this chapter. Where signs are erected as free standing signs upon the lot, the total area of all signs permitted by this section 35-58 shall be two square feet for each foot of lot frontage, provided that signs erected or displayed on any building or buildings on such lot shall conform to the requirements and restrictions contained in the other paragraphs of this Subsection (B) of Section 35-58; provided that when the street frontage of a lot is in excess of three hundred feet such allowable sign area may be increased with a special use permit as specified in article X of this chapter. However one sign not exceeding 9 square feet in area showing the name and occupational use may be permitted.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The Clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This Ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

LEROY S. BENDHEIM
Mayor

Final Passage: July 11, 1961