

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-05**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-10 REGULATING SIGNAGE**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Clinton desires to better regulate and provide for a better and more uniform signage within the City, it passes this Amendment to so provide,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS:**

**Section 1.** This ordinance shall be known as the "Amendment to Ordinance 2004-10 Regulating Signage within the City Limits of the City of Clinton, Arkansas."

**Section 2. CHANGES**

**Section 3.1** changed to read: Sign's face and structures must be comparable to professional grade quality. (More clearly defined as all graphics, lettering, structures or any other component of the sign and structure must be equal to or better than workmanship constructed by a licensed or professional sign shop.) Final approval must be given by City Official before permit is issued.

**Section 3-6** changed to read: No sign shall exceed (30) feet in height. All existing signs at the time of the approval of this amendment shall upon replacement be required to meet this height requirement. Height is measured from base at ground level to top of structure. Planning & Zoning Committee can consider increasing height to (40) feet only in locations where structures or property placement would require it.

**Section 3-8** changed to read: b. Commercial Billboards are not allowed within the City of Clinton. Existing Billboards at the time of the amending of this ordinance will be allowed until they are deemed unsightly or unsafe by the Zoning Official, at that time a new permit must be applied for and will be considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission. If a permit is granted to install a new structure it must be one (1) metal pylon that meets the current height and size specifications of this ordinance. A total sign area not to exceed 300 square feet and not to exceed a total height of 30 feet from base at ground level to top of sign. Design and structure must be approved prior to permit approval. Any sign face not currently rented must

be covered with a white banner material within 60 days of expiration of rental agreement.

d. LED signs are allowed on any lot fronting a state or federal highway in a HC, Industrial, or Commercial District. One is allowed per business and not to exceed 150 square feet of total sign copy area and must meet all state regulations and or requirements on LED signs, including being equipped with automatic dimming device as per state regulations.

Minimum height to bottom of sign is 8 feet from ground. Total height from base at ground level to top of structure is 30 feet.

Permit fee for this type of sign is \$300.00 for first 100 feet plus \$2.00 per foot up to a total of 150 square feet max total per sign.

Any Local Business that has an LED permitted sign for that local business, located on the property where the business is operating, may promote or advertise for other business events or community events if they so choose.

For rent or lease LED Commercial Billboards are not allowed, except in the case where an existing Commercial Billboard is now located. LED Commercial Billboards may be considered by the Planning & Zoning Committee, when the current Commercial Billboards that are in place at the time of adoption of this Ordinance, are considered for replacement.

**Section 4-1** is changed to read: 4. Permits are not transferable. Must be in the name of current business owner.

#### Permit Fees

Local Business- Free Standing or Attached to Building

Minimum fee to 50 square feet.....\$50.00

Each square foot over 50 square feet.....\$00.50

Maximum Fee not to exceed.....\$200.00

A \$25.00 extra charge will be assessed if the Zoning Official has to visit a business that has installed a sign without a permit. This is in addition to any other cost or penalty.

Commercial-For Lease.....NO COMMERCIAL BILLBOARDS ALLOWED

Existing billboards (Grandfathered in as per Ordinance).....Permit Fee....\$500.00 each separate sign face.

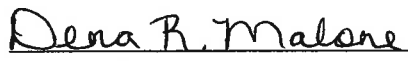
LED Signs

\$300.00 for first 100 Square feet, plus \$2.00 per square foot up to a total of 150 Square feet per sign.

PASSED: June 13, 2013

ATTEST:

  
Roger L. Rorie  
Mayor

  
Dena R. Malone  
Recorder/Treasurer