

ORDINANCE NO. 2028

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1905, SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS; SECTION 21: PERMITTED SIGNS; SECTION 21.2(B)(2) AND SECTION 21.2(F): CENTRAL AREA (CA) ZONING DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, THAT:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 3: Definitions are hereby amended to read as follows:

Sign, Pole: Includes any sign which is free-standing (i.e. independent of any structure or building) and supported by, from or on top of a vertical pole(s) or beam(s) composed of metal or other substantial support (for an example, see Illustration 1) The term “pole sign” shall also include pylon signs.

Sign, Detached: Any sign connected to the ground and which is not an attached sign, inclusive of signs mounted upon movable objects, except signs on vehicles which are moving or are parked only temporarily, incidental to their principal use for transportation (also may be called a “pole sign”, a “pylon sign” or “free-standing sign”)

Section 3: Definitions is hereby amended by adding the following definition:

Sign, Pylon: A free-standing, detached sign which is supported by a tall, solid, ground up, monumental structure (see “Sign, Pole”). Within each zoning district, pylon signs shall be regulated in the same manner as free-standing, detached pole signs (e.g., allowed size, height, setbacks, etc.), except that all portions of pylon signs must be located entirely upon private property (i.e., not in public right-of-way) they may not overhang a street, alley or public right-of-way, and they must be located outside of any required visibility easement/area (as shall be determined by the City). The effective area of a pylon sign shall be the entire area in which any type of lettering, message, logo, symbol, etc. is located (may also include the support structure if such contains any lettering, message, logo, symbol, etc.).

Section 21: Permitted Signs is hereby amended to read as follows:

21.2(B)(2) One attached sign (or one detached free-standing monument style sign) per street frontage, subject to the following restrictions.

21.2(D)(5): Free-standing, detached, on premise signs (includes any type of detached sign such as pole signs, pylon signs, monument signs, etc.), subject to the following restrictions:

21.2(D)(5)(a): One (1) sign per street frontage for each building site shall be allowed, or one(1) sign per four hundred and fifty linear feet (450') of frontage along street. Where more than one (1) sign is allowed, there shall be a minimum of one hundred feet (100') between signs. The maximum height of signs shall be thirty feet (30'). All signs shall be set back a minimum of five feet (5') from any public right-of-way.

21.2(E)(1): On-premises, detached signs (including pole signs, pylon signs, etc) adjacent to State highways (e.g., Spur 557, Interstate Highway 20, or U.S. Highway 80) shall be subject to the following restrictions: ...

21.2(F)(6)L: Except as may be allowed by Section 23, Temporary and Portable Signs, detached signs (including pole signs, pylon signs, monument signs, etc) are not permitted within the Central Area (CA) district.

Section 21.2(B)(2): One attached sign (or one detached free-standing monument style sign) per street frontage, subject to the following restrictions; is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

21.2(B)(2)(e): Sign height shall not exceed eight (8) feet (for detached, monument signs).

Section 21.2(F)(3): Central Area (CA) zoning district is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

21.2(F)(3)(i): Number of signs for large, single-tenant buildings – For any façade fronting onto a public street that exceeds one hundred (100) linear feet, there shall be allowed one (1) additional attached sign along that street frontage (i.e., for a maximum number of two attached signs per building façade). The maximum allowed size/area of the second attached sign shall be forty (40) square feet. For any façade not fronting onto a public street (i.e., fronting onto another building, an alley, a vacant lot, etc.), the number of signs on such façade shall be limited to one (1) and shall be in accordance with Subsection 21.2,F(3)d. above.

Section 26: Responsibility of Violations

The owner or lessor of the sign, the lessee of the sign, the owner of the land or structure where the sign is located, or the person responsible for erecting the sign or structure are all subject to the provisions so this ordinance, and are therefore subject to the penalty(s) hereinafter provided for noncompliance with this ordinance.

Section 27: Penalties

Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof after due process of law, shall be fined an amount not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per offense. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense, and shall be punishable as such hereunder.

Passed and Approved this 1ST day of August, 2000.

Passed and Adopted this 15th day of August, 2000.

Henry C. Madgwick, Sr., Mayor

Attest:

John Rounsavall, City Secretary

Approved as to Form:

Mary Gayle Ramsey, City Attorney