



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Council

From: Mike S. Stroh, Neighborhood Services Director

Date: March 14, 2017

Subject: Discussion and consideration of approving and passing an emergency ordinance amending the Midwest City Municipal Code, Chapter 9, Buildings and Building Regulations, by amending Article VII, Sign Regulations, Section 9-391, Temporary Signs by the addition of an exemption for temporary signs when access to property is restricted by public construction project.

Staff is recommending amending the Midwest City Municipal Code, Chapter 9, Buildings and Building Regulations, by amending Article VII, Sign Regulations, Section 9-391, Temporary Signs by the addition of subsection (j) Directional Entrance Sign. These amendments are needed to assist residents locate the entrance to the commercial property.

Staff recommends approval.

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Enc. Copy of the ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-391, “TEMPORARY SIGNS” OF THE MIDWEST CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY THE ADDITION OF AN EXEMPTION FOR TEMPORARY SIGNS WHEN ACCESS TO PROPERTY IS RESTRICTED BY PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, from time to time public construction projects restrict access to commercial properties within the City of Midwest City; and

WHEREAS, such limited access may result in a loss of revenues or business by the property; and

WHEREAS, attempts to locate the entrance to the commercial property distract drivers, resulting in risk to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Midwest City find that it is in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare that a directional sign be permitted:

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDWEST CITY:

Section 1: Section 9-391 “Temporary Signs” is amended by the addition of subsection (j) to read as follows:

One temporary directional sign per business of eight (8) square feet may be erected no closer than twelve feet to the curb line at the entrance to the business when access to the business has been partially or completely blocked due to a public construction project when the access will be impeded in excess of seven (7) days. The sign shall contain only the “name of the business” and the word “entrance,” or a direction arrow. It shall be removed within 48 hours after the project has been substantially completed as determined by the City. A permit shall be required, but the fee shall be waived. All other regulations of this section shall be followed.

Section 2: SEVERABILITY. If any section, sentence, clause or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance.

Section 3: Repealer. Any section, subsection or portion thereof in conflict with this ordinance is hereby repealed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Midwest City, Oklahoma, on the _____ day of _____, 2017.

THE CITY OF MIDWEST CITY, OKLAHOMA

MATTHEW D. DUKES, II, Mayor

ATTEST:

SARA HANCOCK, City Clerk

It being necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of Midwest City, the Mayor and City Council finds an emergency exists and that this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

Separately passed and approved the ___ day of _____, 2017

MATTHEW D. DUKES, II, Mayor

ATTEST:

SARA HANCOCK, City Clerk

APPROVED as to form and legality this _____ day of _____, 2017.

PHILIP W. ANDERSON, City Attorney