

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT ARTICLE IX  
SECTION 906 OF THE THIBODAUX ZONING ORDINANCE –  
EXEMPT ON-SITE SIGNS**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that Article IX Section 906 of the Thibodaux Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

**ARTICLE IX. – SIGNS**

**Sec. 906. – Exempt On-Site Signs.**

Except as otherwise provided, the following on-site signs are exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance and may be erected without securing a permit, subject, however, to meeting all other applicable codes and regulations.

- A. One professional nameplate for each occupant. Each professional nameplate shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area.
- B. One identification sign for each premise, denoting only the name, street number and business of an occupant in a commercial building or public institutional building. An identification sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area.
- C. One bulletin board or identification sign per site for public, charitable, educational or religious institution located on the premises of said institution and not exceeding thirty-two (32) square feet in area.
- D. Legal notices and official instruments.
- E. Flags or insignias of a governmental, religious, charitable, or fraternal organization mounted on a single pole. Flags are recommended to follow United States flag protocol for American Flag sizes and pole height.
- F. Decorative flags, banners or bunting ~~authorized by the City Building Permit Official for a citywide~~ celebrations, conventions, commemorations, fairs, and parades.
- G. Holiday lights and decoration only during customary duration of holiday period.
- H. Memorial signs, tablets or cornerstones, names of buildings and date of erection when put into any masonry surface or when constructed of bronze or other noncombustible materials.
- I. Non-advertising (not to exceed four (4) square feet in area) directional signs or symbols (e.g. entrance, exit, caution, slow, no trespassing) located on and pertaining to a parcel of private property.
- J. Identification signs at the entrance drive of residences, estates, farms, ranches, and plantations which do not exceed four (4) square feet in area.
- K. Political signs are only allowed on private property. Signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet ~~in residential zoned property and the historic district in R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, RB, and CBD zoning districts~~, and shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in commercial or industrial zoned property. Such signs shall not be erected more than ninety (90) days before an election and must be removed within (14) fourteen days after the election.
- L. Window signs which identify or advertise activities, services, goods or products available within the building and which collectively cover thirty (30) percent or less of the window glass surface area.
- M. Directional and regulatory signs erected by an agency of government or any lawfully constituted utility.

- N. One under-canopy sign per business not to exceed ~~three six~~ (36) square feet, in area.
- O. Sandwich signs should be no larger than two (2) feet wide by four (4) feet tall and only displayed during business hours.
- P. Special event "temporary" sign. Any one business, individual, or organization may display a banner sign or product promotional "special event temporary sign" on private property, but not on any city or state servitude or right-of-way.
  - 1. Any such sign shall be temporary in nature and no more than thirty (30) days per year and two (2) events per year. All such signs and any components shall be kept in good repair and be maintained in a safe condition. These signs shall be maintained in a neat, clean and attractive condition and shall be kept free of peeling and/or fading or other deterioration. Signs in violation of this section shall be removed in accordance with the enforcement section of this Ordinance.
  - 2. Any such sign shall be non-electric.
  - 3. Such signs shall be professionally designed, printed and produced (hand grafted/written signs will be prohibited) and shall include franchise advertising and product promotional items.
  - 4. No more than one (1) temporary sign, not exceeding thirty-two (32) square feet (back to back) shall be allowed per premise. A business with a premise containing greater than one hundred (100) feet of street or thoroughfare frontage shall be granted one (1) additional sign.
  - 5. Temporary signs not affixed or attached to a building shall comply with the provisions of Section 904 (prohibited signs), and shall be firmly affixed to the ground to which it is attached.
  - 6. Special event signs promoting the grand opening of a business shall be allowed an additional two (2) temporary signs, not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet, and one (1) inflatable sign/advertising will be permitted under this section in addition to temporary signs.
  - 7. Athletic field signs at schools are exempt.
- Q. Real estate property sale, school, spirit, religious, charitable organization, or other like activity shall be permitted on private property at the owners discretion under the provisions of this Ordinance.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:  
 NAYS:  
 ABSTAINED:  
 ABSENT:

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

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Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

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Mike Naquin, President

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**Delivered to the Mayor on**

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**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UNAPPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VETOED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mayor Kevin R. Clement**

**Returned to the Council Administrator on**

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**Publication Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Effective Date:** \_\_\_\_\_