

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT ARTICLE IX
SECTION 907 (E) AND (F) OF THE THIBODAUX ZONING
ORDINANCE – SIGN STANDARDS-ON PREMISES**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that Article IX Section 907 (E) and (F) of the Thibodaux Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IX. – SIGNS

Sec. 907. – Sign Standards-On Premises

E. C-1, C-2, I-1, and I-2:

1. Single businesses shall be allowed one (1) monument type sign not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet including structure, sign shall be set on a block type base not less than one (1) foot in height, nor more than three (3) feet in height, The width of the block must be at least two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) the width of the sign. The overall height of the monument sign and base shall not exceed six (6) feet from the grade at the signs location and comply with visual requirements. Only one (1) ground sign and two (2) wall, mansard, marquis or canopy signs shall be allowed for each premises except that on corner lots and double frontage lots; two (2) ground signs and three (3) wall signs are allowed. Any premise may utilize up to the maximum sign surface allowed for each frontage, but no transfers of allowable area may be made from one frontage to another.
2. Multiple businesses in a single building shall be allowed one (1) monument type sign not to exceed sixteen (16) square feet per business. Where a single building or complex of buildings contains two (2) or more separate activities or establishments, the individual establishment located therein shall be permitted a wall sign and wall sign area based on portion of building frontage used by establishment as though there were individual buildings with individual street frontage. Such multiple occupancy buildings will be permitted one directory on a common single multi-listing sign with each individual occupant a surface area not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet and with a minimum height of seven (7) feet.
3. The above mentioned signs shall be set on a block type base not less than one (1) foot in height, nor more than three (3) feet in height, the overall height of the monument sign shall not exceed six (6) feet. In a single building over one hundred (100) feet from right-of-way, with multiple businesses in excess of eight (8) occupants, the overall height of the monument sign shall not exceed nine (9) feet in height.
4. Existing on-site pylon signs shall be "grandfathered" and allowed to stand. All signs which are no longer functional, damaged, or abandoned shall be removed ~~or relocated~~ at the owner's expense in compliance with the provisions of this article within one (1) year following dysfunction; otherwise the erection of all on-site pylon type signs shall be prohibited.
5. One changeable letter sign per premise shall be allowed with permanent on premise signs and shall be an integral part of the structure. The first sixteen (16) square feet of a changeable letter sign face shall not be calculated in the total sign area and such changeable letter sign area shall not exceed a total of thirty-two (32) square feet. The amount of square footage in excess of sixteen (16) will be included in the maximum square footage allowed in aggregate on that sign structure and such signs shall meet all other regulations as set forth herein. (Changeable letter signs that are an integral part of a permanent on premise sign are not considered temporary signs.)
6. One electronic message display board per premise shall be allowed with permanent on premise sign. The electronic message board shall be an integral part of the on premise sign not to exceed sixteen (16) square feet and the total area of the sign shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet. Such signs shall meet all

other regulations as set forth herein. The electronic message display board must consist of only alphabetic or numeric characters on a plain background and may not include any graphic, pictorial or photographic images. Lightness, brightness and color must remain constant within a message and between messages. The electronic sign must not exceed a maximum illumination of seven thousand five hundred (7,500) nits (candelas per square meters) during daylight hours and a maximum illumination of five hundred (500) nits (candelas per square meters) between dusk to dawn as measured from the sign's face at maximum brightness. All electronic message display signs shall be required to have an ambient light monitor or similar device that will automatically adjust the brightness level based on ambient light conditions.

7. Wall sign projection. Base of wall signs may not project more than twelve (12) inches from the building to which they are attached.
 8. Mansard signs. Unless otherwise specified, the mansard type roof portion of a structure may be used for the mounting of a sign, provided such sign shall not extend above the break point of the mansard type roof line upon which the sign is mounted.
- F. Ground signs, wall signs, mansard signs, marquee and canopy signs shall be subject to the following conditions:
1. Businesses within zero (0) to one hundred (100) feet set back from the roadway may have one sign, not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet. Businesses one hundred one (101) to three hundred (300) feet set back from the roadway may have one sign, not to exceed sixty-four (64) square feet. Business greater than three hundred (300) feet set back from the roadway ~~must be approved by the Board of Adjustments~~ may have two (2) signs, not to exceed seventy (70) square feet.
 - a. ~~In professional business area developments, fifty (50) square feet.~~
 - b. ~~Two (2) wall signs are not to exceed thirty two (32) square feet~~

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.

Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

Mike Naquin, President

Delivered to the Mayor on

_____, at _____

APPROVED: _____

UNAPPROVED: _____

VETOED: _____

Mayor Kevin R. Clement

Returned to the Council Administrator on

_____, at _____

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