

REVISED AGENDA (05/23/12)
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
CITY OF ARCADIA
TUESDAY MAY 29, 2012
5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

DISCUSSION:

1. Public Safety 2012/2013 Budget
 - a. Law Enforcement
 - b. Fire Control
 - c. Vehicle Grant
 - d. COPS – CHRP Grant
 - e. Rural Investigator Grant
 - f. Police Cars and Equipment
 - g. Victims of Crime
 - h. Anti-Drug Grant
 - i. School Crossing Guards

2. Political Signs (Mayor Keene)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURN

NOTE: Any party desiring a verbatim record of the proceedings of this hearing for the purpose of appeal is advised to make private arrangements therefore.

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ORDINANCE 962
Adopted 12/7/10

occupant has a valid occupational license as may be required to operate on those premises.

(b) Within all zoning districts, the following signs shall be considered as permitted signs and shall be exempt from the requirement to obtain a sign permit as set forth within this Article III so long as they are not in conflict with section 6-59:

- (1) Not more than one (1) real estate sign, per property frontage road, advertising the sale, rental, or lease of only the premises on which the sign is located. Such signs shall not exceed ~~six (6) square feet in area, and five (5) feet in height.~~ Such signs shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area, and five (5) feet in height within residential areas and six (6) feet in height within commercial areas. Signs advertising the sale, rental or lease of property exceeding this size and height shall not be considered as exempt signs.
- (2) Signs noting the architect, engineer, or contractor for a development project when placed upon work under construction, provided the sign shall be removed within fifteen (15) days of completion of construction. ~~Such signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet in size or eight (8) feet in height.~~ Allow 1 (one) applicable sign per frontage road, and that signage could be a maximum of four (4) by eight (8) feet and a maximum of eight (8) feet in height.
- (3) Signs as required by law to display building permits or other similar required public notices.
- (4) Traffic signs, street name signs, legal notices of public meetings, danger signs, and temporary emergency signs, when erected by city, county, state, or federal authorities or at the specific direction of such authorities.
- (5) No trespassing and private property signs not exceeding two (2) square foot in area. Such signs shall not be displayed from or attached to trees, utility poles or any type of utility structure or equipment, including lift stations, fire hydrants, and the like.
- (6) Vacancy or no vacancy signs not exceeding two (2) square foot in area.
- (7) Temporary political campaign signs announcing the candidacy of a candidate for public office not exceeding four (4) square feet in area in residential zoning districts and thirty-two (32) square feet in all other zoning districts may be placed wholly within the boundaries of any property, at the discretion or consent of the legal owner and/or occupant of the property, provided such signs conform with all traffic, electrical, maintenance, fire and safety regulations of the city.

The placing of political campaign signs on city property, other public property, or on public rights-of-way shall be prohibited. Political campaign signs displayed within motor vehicles conducting routine business activities on city or other public property shall not be prohibited, provided that no such vehicle shall be parked on city property, other public property, or on public right-of-ways for the sole purpose of displaying political campaign signs.

Illegally placed political campaign signs shall be removed by the code enforcement officer without notice to the candidate or abutting property owner or occupant.

Political campaign signs shall be erected no earlier than six (6) months prior to the date of the election for which they are posted and shall be removed within seventy-two (72) hours after the date of such election. If such signs are not removed within this period of time, the city may remove such signs and may charge the candidate the actual cost for such removal. Collected funds shall be deposited into the city's general revenue. Failure to remove signs is a violation of this Code and is enforceable pursuant to Chapter 162, Florida Statutes, as it now exists or as it may be amended in the future.

- (8) Personal expression signs limited to one (1) per lot or parcel, or in the case of multi-family uses, one (1) per dwelling unit, expressing personal views or opinions not exceeding four (4) square feet in area, providing such signs are otherwise in compliance with applicable local, state and federal laws. A personal expression sign can include a pole flag no larger than twenty (20) square feet on a pole no taller than twenty-five (25) feet.
- (9) Religious symbols.
- (10) Garage sale signs or open house signs within residential zoning districts, not exceeding four (4) square feet in size, limited to two (2) per site and located only at the location of such event. Such signs may be displayed one (1) day before the garage sale or open house and shall be removed immediately after conclusion of the event. No garage sale sign or open house sign may be erected upon any public right-of-way.
- (11) Signs placed within interior courtyards, the inside fence line of recreational fields and on golf courses, provided such signs are visible only to those persons visiting such place and are otherwise in compliance with this chapter.
- (12) Address and street number signs not exceeding two (2) square feet.
- (13) Holiday and seasonal decorations shall not be construed as signs, providing that these contain no commercial advertising message.

he or she was mailed, his or her vote for the office for which qualification was reopened will be null and void, but his or her votes on all other offices and issues shall be counted.

(h) The name of any qualified candidate who has died, been removed, or withdrawn from the ballot shall not be printed on the ballot. If the ballot cannot be changed, any votes for that candidate shall be null and void.

(i) A candidate being removed or withdrawing from the ballot after having qualified and paid the qualification fee shall receive a refund of the qualifying fee.

11-15. SPECIAL ELECTIONS.

All special elections and referendums shall be considered elections and shall be held in the same manner as any election.

11-16. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE.

Each candidate at the time of qualifying shall make financial disclosure as required by State law.

11-17. PUBLICATION OF SAMPLE BALLOT.

The City Council shall cause a sample ballot to be published in a newspaper circulated in the City of Arcadia one time no later than seven (7) days prior to said election.

11-18. PLACEMENT, REMOVAL AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ELECTION SIGNS.

It shall be unlawful to tack or place any election sign, bill, poster, or advertisement on any pole, tree or other plant or structure on any street, alley, or other public place. All election signs, bills, posters, or advertisements shall be removed within five (5) days after the taking place of a completed election, or the elimination of the candidate, whichever shall occur first. In an election campaign, the candidate for an office shall be deemed the person responsible for the posting of election signs.

11-19. PENALTIES.

In addition to the other remedies set out in this ordinance, any person placing or failing to remove a sign in violation of

this ordinance may be prosecuted for violation of this ordinance in accordance with Section 1-10 of the City Code of the City of Arcadia.

Section 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 5. SEVERABILITY.

Should any section or provision of this ordinance or any parts hereof, any paragraphs, sentences, words, etc., be declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder hereof as a whole or any part hereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of ten (10) days after adoption in accordance with Chapter 73-403 of the Laws of the State of Florida.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 1999.

ATTEST:


MARGARET WAY, CITY RECORDER


MAYOR, ROOSEVELT JOHNSON

Approved as to form and content by:

DAVID C. HOLLOMAN
CITY OF ATTORNEY

PASSED on First Reading MARCH 2, 1999

PASSED on Second Reading MARCH 16, 1999

PASSED on Third Reading APRIL 6, 1999