

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCIAL CIRCLE TO AMEND THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE, AND TO ADD TO ARTICLE XIII: SIGNS AN ALLOWED USE FOR TEMPORARY SIGNS AT THE ENTRANCE OF NEW RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Social Circle desire to amend the current City of Social Circle Zoning Ordinance ARTICLE XIII: SIGNS and allow for developers to apply for permits to place temporary residential signs; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Social Circle deem such amendment to be for the betterment and general welfare of the City of Social Circle and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Social Circle, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by authority of same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Social Circle Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended, by adding the following to ARTICLE XIII: SIGNS:

Temporary residential subdivision signs. Residential lot developers and residential lot development companies may apply for a permit to put up a temporary sign at the entrance of residential subdivisions if there are currently lots for sale in the subdivision. The temporary sign must be displayed within 100 feet of the entrance of the subdivision on private property or common area of the subdivision. Permission must be obtained from the owner of the property. The temporary signs are limited to one (1) per public road entrance to the subdivision and shall only be allowed for a maximum of three (3) years or until lots are sold, whichever is less. The temporary sign may be in the form of a simple pole sign as shown in Exhibit "A," with the maximum dimensions of four (4) feet by six (6) feet and a maximum height of eight (8) feet from the ground.

SECTION 2. Unless otherwise provides herein, the penalties provided for violations of this Ordinance are set out in the general penalties sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Social Circle, are under the authority of the Municipal Court as established by the Code and are hereby incorporated herein as if fully set out.

SECTION 3. Except as provided otherwise herein, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to the Section 2.25 of the City Charter, authority is hereby delegated to the City Clerk to cause this Ordinance to be numbered and codified in the City Code of Social

Circle, Georgia, in such a way as to place this Ordinance in the Code in an organized and orderly sequence to maximize the organization of the Code. The City Clerk is authorized to designate to the City Attorney or to such other Mayor and Council approved contractors to assist in the effort to codify this provision provided the decision of the City Clerk is final as to the placement of this Ordinance within the City Code of Social Circle, Georgia. The goal of this authorization is to codify and number this Ordinance in the Code in such a way as to be clear and orderly.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City of Social Circle, Georgia.

SECTION 6. It is hereby declared that if any phrase, sentence, or paragraph hereof shall be found or declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining phrases, sentences and paragraphs hereof shall remain in full force and effect as if enacted without the phrase, sentence, or paragraph declared unconstitutional or invalid.


SO ORDAINED this 19th day of September, 2017.


Hal W. Dally, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan M. Roper, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Anthony O. L. Powell, City Attorney
Webb, Tanner & Powell P.C.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting on September 19, 2017.

 4 Council members voting in favor

 0 Council members voting against

 0 Council members abstaining

Exhibit "A"

