Ord. #1908 Adopted 8/23/16

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, NUMBER 1202, AS AMENDED: SECTION 4.23.6.1, SIGNS.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994, Section 6-29-310 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, authorizes the County of Charleston to enact or amend its zoning and land development regulations to guide development in accordance with existing and future needs and in order to protect, promote and improve the public health, safety, and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed amendments of the text of various chapters of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance (ZLDR) in accordance with the procedures established in South Carolina law and the ZLDR and has recommended that the Charleston County Council (County Council) disapprove the proposed amendments of the text of the ZLDR as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least one public hearing, and after close of the public hearing, County Council approved the proposed text amendments based on the Approval Criteria of Section 3.3.6 of Article 3.3 of the ZLDR; and

WHEREAS, County Council has determined the proposed text amendments meet the following criteria:

- A. The proposed amendment corrects an error or inconsistency or meets the challenge of a changing condition; and
- B. The proposed amendment is consistent with the adopted Charleston County Comprehensive Plan and goals as stated in Article 1.5; and
- C. The proposed amendment is to further the public welfare in any other regard specified by County Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it by the Charleston County Council of Charleston, in meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. AMENDMENTS OF THE TEXT OF THE ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE

The Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance is hereby amended to include the text amendments attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made part of this Ordinance by reference.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately following third reading by County Council.

ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 23rd day of August, 2016.

CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

	By:	
	•	J. Elliott Summey Chairman of Charleston County Council
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By:		
•	Beverly T. Craven	
	Clerk to Charleston County Council	

First Reading: June 21, 2016 Second Reading: July 14, 2016 Third Reading: August 23, 2016

EXHIBIT A RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO SECTION 4.23.6.I, SIGNS APPROVED BY CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

Section 4.23.6.I, Signs

Specifications of size, type, height, setback, location, design, illumination, and number of signs shall be included in the planned development guidelines. Specifications shall be as restrictive or more restrictive than the standards set forth in this Ordinance; provided, however, that the minimum distance from a Billboard/Digital Billboard proposed as part of a planned development to the nearest on-premises sign(s) may be less restrictive than the standards set forth in this Ordinance.