

TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR

ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XVIII OF CHAPTER 347 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR (“THE SIGN ORDINANCE”) TO CONDITIONALLY PERMIT BANNERS AND PROJECTING SIGNS IN THE C-1 AND C-2 ZONING DISTRICTS

November 27, 2007

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that Section 347-107 of the Township Code (“Zoning”) be and is hereby amended as follows:

§347-107. Signs prohibited in all zones.

All signs not specifically listed as permitted signs are prohibited. Prohibited signs include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Advertising signs.
- B. Flashing or moving signs, including time and temperature signs.
- C. Neon framing, paper or fabric framing, tubing and bare bulb illumination.
- D. Roof signs.
- E. pennants, except as provided under Montclair Code §347-108K. F. Any sign in the public right-of-way, except as provided under §277-1 of the Code of the Township of Montclair.
- G.
- H. Sidewalk signs.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section 347-109 of the Township Code be and is hereby amended and supplemented to include the following:

§347-109. Signs Permitted in C-1 and C-2 Zones.

The following signs are permitted in C-1 and C-2 zones:

- A. [no change]
- B. [no change]
- C. [no change]
- D. [no change]
- E. [no change]
- F. [no change]
- G. Projecting signs, provided that:

- (1) Such signs are located in an Historic District designated pursuant to the Township Historic Preservation Ordinance;
- (2) One projecting sign is permitted for each retail business located on the street level;
- (3) All parts of such signs shall be located between eight (8) and twelve (12) feet above the road or sidewalk surface;

- (4) Such signs do not interfere with any pedestrian, vehicular, utility, or municipal use of the public right-of-way; and
- (5) Sign materials and design shall complement the building's architecture and shall not cover or intrude upon any specific architectural feature of the building.

H. Banners, provided that:

- (1) They are located in an Historic District designated pursuant to the Township Historic Preservation Ordinance;
- (2) Banners are permitted for street level commercial businesses only and one (1) banner may be affixed to each structural bay;
- (3) All parts of the banner shall be located at least eight (8) feet above the sidewalk/grade;
- (4) Banners shall not interfere with any pedestrian, vehicular, utility, or municipal use of the public right-of-way; and
- (5) Sign materials and design shall complement the building's architecture and shall not cover or intrude upon any specific architectural feature of the building.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Section 347-106 of the Township Code be and is hereby amended as follows:

§347-106. Definitions.

As used in this article and elsewhere throughout this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

PROJECTING SIGN -- Any sign affixed perpendicular to the wall of a building in such a manner that its leading edge extends more than six inches beyond the surface of such building or wall.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be effective until midnight December 31, 2009.

NEW LANGUAGE UNDERLINED – DELETED LANGUAGE STRICKE

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE											
COUNCILORS	YES	NO	ABS	N.V.	AB	COUNCILORS	YES	NO	ABS	N.V.	AB
Freier						Mayor Remsen					
Lang						Schlager					
Mattox						Deputy Mayor Tobin					
Michaelson											
X - Indicate Vote ABS - Abstain N.V. - Not Voting AB – Absent											

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a true copy of an ordinance adopted as introduced by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, at its meeting held on _____, 2007.

Linda S. Wanat
Clerk of the Township of Montclair, NJ