

ORDINANCE NO. 05-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE, MORE SPECIFICALLY ADDING A DEFINITION FOR BUSINESS INFORMATION SIGNS; AMENDING SECTION 15-5 (N) TO ALLOW FOR BUSINESS INFORMATION SIGNS TO BE ATTACHED TO A DOOR OR WINDOW; AMENDING SECTION 15-8 (H) PROVIDING CLARIFICATION OF SIGNS EXEMPT FROM REGULATIONS; AMENDING TABLE 15-1 BY ADDING BUSINESS INFORMATION SIGNS TO THE TABLE FOR COMMERCIAL SIGNS FOR MULTI-TENANT CENTERS AND OFFICE COMPLEXES AND TO THE COMMERCIAL SIGNS FOR SINGLE BUSINESS USE; AMENDING TABLE 15-1 TO CHANGE THE SETBACK UNDER TEMPORARY SIGNAGE FOR FUTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SIGNS AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT SIGNS TO FIFTEEN FEET (15') FROM SIDE PROPERTY LINES; AMENDING TABLE 15-2 TO ALLOW WINDOW SIGNS TO HAVE OPTIONAL LIGHTING OF NEON ONLY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH VIOLATION; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN CAPTION FORM.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1. Section 15-2 Definitions of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of South Padre Island is hereby amended to add a new definition in alphabetical sequence and appropriate re-numbering as follows:

- “(9) Business Information Sign: A sign that is permanently and professionally attached to a door or window at the entrance of a business that contains information that may include the Business Name, Address, Phone Numbers, Hours of Operation, and Trade Associations the Business is a member of, e.g. FDIC, SBA, etc. All of the information must be located within the maximum Area of Sign for Business Information Sign as defined in Table 15-1. A Business Information Sign is not a Window Sign or a Wall Sign.”

Section 2. Section 15-5(N) of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(N) Signs attached directly to a door or window. The only exceptions to this provision are a Business Information Sign, “Open” and “Closed” signs, Credit Card signs, ATM signs, and “Help Wanted” signs.”

Section 3. Section 15-8(H) is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(H) “Open” and “Closed” signs, Credit Card signs, ATM signs, and “Help Wanted” signs, provided that the sign does not exceed five (5) square feet. No more than one (1) such sign is allowed per Building Face or Wall.”

Section 4. Table 15-1 of Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to add to the Commercial Signs for Multi-Tenant Centers & Office Complexes and Commercial Signs for Single Business Use a new sign, as follows:

TABLE 15-1

Commercial Signs for Multi-Tenant Centers & Office Complexes

6) Business Information Sign	1 Per Business	9 sq. ft. & no portion of the sign more than 5 ft. from the entrance,
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Commercial Signs for Single Business Use

6) Business Information Sign	1 Per Business	9 sq. ft. & no portion of the sign more than 5 ft. from the entrance,
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Section 5. Table 15-1 is further amended to change the setback requirements under Temporary Signage for future project development signs and project development signs for 15 feet from right-of-way and PL to “15 feet from side property line.”

Section 6. Table 15-2 is amended to change the Optional Lighting Type column for window signs from “Not Permitted” to “neon only”.

Section 7. This Ordinance repeals all portions of any prior ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Code of Ordinances in conflict herewith.

Section 8. Any violation of this Ordinance may be punished by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense or for each day such offense shall continue and the penalty provisions of Section 21-1 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby adopted and incorporated for all purposes.

Section 9. If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this Ordinance for it is the definite intent of this Board of Aldermen that every section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision hereof be given full force and effect for its purpose.

Section 10. This Ordinance shall become effective when published in summary form or by publishing its caption.

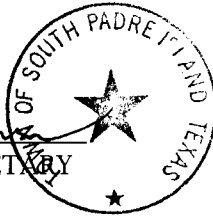
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on First Reading, this 3rd day of August 2005.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on Second Reading, this 17th day of August 2005.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE
ISLAND, TEXAS


JOYCE ADAMS, CITY SECRETARY




ROBERT N. PINKERTON, JR., MAYOR