

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS AS HERETOFORE AMENDED BY AMENDING SECTION 7100D OF THE SIGN STANDARDS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO WINDOW SIGNS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Commission and the governing body of the City of Mansfield, Texas, in compliance with the laws of the State of Texas with reference to the amendment of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Mansfield, Texas (hereinafter “the Zoning Ordinance”), have given the requisite notices by publication and otherwise, and after holding due hearings and affording a full and fair hearing to all property owners generally and to all interested citizens, the governing body of the City is of the opinion and finds that the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance should be amended;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1.**

That Section 7100.D of the Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by revising Note 12 on Table 1, “Schedule of Sign Standards,” to read as follows:

“(12) The total sign area of window sign(s) shall not obscure more than twenty-five (25) percent of the total window area on each façade. Doors shall not contain signage for any message other than business name, hours of operation and payment method, and such signage shall not exceed four (4) square feet in total area.”

**SECTION 2.**

That all ordinances of the City in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed and all other ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.**

Should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, and shall not affect the validity of the Zoning Ordinance as a whole.

#### **SECTION 4.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or the Zoning Ordinance, as amended hereby, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction in the Municipal Court of the City of Mansfield, Texas, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense, and each and every day any such violation shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

#### **SECTION 5.**

This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage on third and final reading and the publication of the caption, as the law and charter in such cases provide.

First reading approved on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

Second reading approved on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

**DULY PASSED** on the third and final reading by the City Council of the City of Mansfield, Texas, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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**David L. Cook, Mayor**

ATTEST:

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**Vicki Collins, City Secretary**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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**Allen Taylor, City Attorney**