

ORDINANCE NO. 8830

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS,
AMENDING CHAPTER V, ARTICLE 18, SECTION 5-1805 OF
THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS, 2011
EDITION, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, PERTAINING TO
SIGNS AND REPEALING EXISTING SECTION 5-1805.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter V, Article 18, Section 5-1805 of the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 Edition, and amendments thereto, is hereby amended to read as follows:

5-1805

SAME; EXEMPTIONS

A permit shall not be required for the following listed signs. These exemptions, however, shall apply only to the requirement for a permit and shall not be construed as relieving the owner of such sign from the responsibility for its erection and maintenance in a safe condition:

- (A) Real estate signs not exceeding eight (8) square feet in area which advertises only the sale, rental or lease of the premises upon which such signs are located.
- (B) Professional name plates not exceeding one square foot in area.
- (C) Bulletin boards not over twelve (12) square feet in area for public charitable or religious institutions when located on the premises of such institutions.
- (D) Occupational signs denoting only the name and profession of an occupant in a commercial building, public institutional building or dwelling and not exceeding one (1) square foot in area.
- (E) Memorial signs or tablets, names of buildings and date of erection when cut into any masonry surface or when constructed of bronze or other incombustible materials.
- (F) Traffic or other municipal signs, legal notices, railroad crossing signs, danger, temporary or emergency signs.
- (G) Signs of community interest which are approved by the City Commission.
- (H) Political signs not exceeding sixteen (16) square feet in area, which make known the name of and information concerning a political campaign of any nature. No political sign shall be placed in or on the public right-of-way. No political sign shall be placed or erected in or on any private property without the express permission of the owner or occupant of such property. ~~(Ord. 7543)~~

- (I) Mobile Signs, as permitted in Section 5-1821 of this Article. (~~Ord. 5085, Sec. 35; Ord. 6581, Sec. 5~~)
- (J) Temporary double-sided and A-Frame type freestanding signs advertising for an adjacent business. The size of the sign shall not exceed 32 inches wide and 48 inches tall above the adjacent sidewalk. The sign shall be located within twelve (12) inches of the building where the advertised business exists and shall be on private property except in the CD zoning district where said sign may be located in the right-of-way. A minimum of six (6) feet of unobstructed sidewalk clearance for pedestrian walkway shall be maintained. One sign shall be permitted per public entrance and shall be located within close proximity of the public entrance. Signs shall not be illuminated or contain any digital display and shall not be displayed during non-business hours. Signs shall be constructed of durable, sturdy material (no banners, flags, streamers, balloons, or other moving parts) and shall be maintained in good repair.

SECTION 2. Existing section 5-1805, Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 Edition, and amendments thereto, is hereby repealed in its entirety, it being the intent of the Governing Body that Section 1 of this ordinance supersede it.

SECTION 3. If any section, clause, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is found to be unconstitutional or is otherwise held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the validity of any remaining parts of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, this ____ day of December, 2012.

APPROVED:

Robert J. Schumm
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jonathan M. Douglass
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Toni R. Wheeler
City Attorney

NOTICE TO PUBLISHER

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