

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

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS, DECLARING A MORATORIUM AGAINST ENFORCEMENT ON SECTIONS 6-15-3 (A), 6-15-4 AND 6-15-5 (3), (A) AND (B), (J) – (M), (4) AND (8), ARTICLE 16 “BUSINESS REGULATIONS” OF CHAPTER 6-15 “TEMPORARY SIGNS” FOR A PERIOD OF TIME UNTIL JUNE 30, 2021; PROVIDING FOR THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ADOPT REASONABLE REGULATION FOR SUCH PERIOD; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, as result of a nationwide pandemic from the novel COVID-19 virus and a nationwide state of emergency; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Texas and County Judge of Dallas, declared a state of emergency under state law and issued appropriate and lawful orders to stay at home and closed businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the public health emergency has had a significant economic impact upon local businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Texas and Dallas County Judge allowed business to begin to reopen under certain restrictions; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Coppel desires to issue a moratorium on enforcement of the local temporary sign ordinance to assist local business to promote the reopening and re-establish patronage;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the City Council hereby extends and grants a moratorium against enforcement of Article 16, “Business Regulations”, Chapter 6-15, “Temporary Signs”, Sections 6-15-3 (A), 6-15-4 and 6-15-5(3), (A) and (B), (J) – (M), (4) and (8) regarding the permitting, use and maintenance of on premise temporary signage within the corporate jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Coppel Texas.

**SECTION 2.** The City Manager or designee shall adopt reasonable procedures and regulations to govern on-premises temporary signage in conformity with this Ordinance; and such, procedures and regulations shall be promulgated and filed with the Office of the City Secretary.

**SECTION 3.** That should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance or the Code of Ordinances, as amended hereby, be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid the same shall not affect the remaining provisions of said ordinance or the Code of Ordinances, as amended hereby, which shall continue in full force and affect.

**SECTION 4.** The provisions of this moratorium ordinance shall expire on June 30, 2021 or upon the expiration of the Governor of Texas Proclamation of Disaster related to Corona virus -19 pandemic, as extended or expiration of Governor Executive Orders 32, 29 and 10, or unless sooner repealed by this Council.

**SECTION 5.** That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

**DULY PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Coppell, Texas, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

**CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS**

**APPROVED:**

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KAREN SELBO HUNT, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

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ASHLEY OWENS, CITY SECRETARY

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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ROBERT E. HAGER, CITY ATTORNEY