

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

A RESOLUTION COMMENCING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR BILLBOARDS IN EXCESS OF 150 SQUARE FEET

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Sandy Springs, GA while in special called session on August 29, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City of Sandy Springs is experiencing an emergency situation in that the courts of the State of Georgia and of the United States have not provided clarity regarding the legality of ordinances relating to signs which are similar to the ordinances relating to signs adopted by the City, and the City has been named in a lawsuit concerning issues which are similar to those issues involved in cases pending in state and federal courts.

SECTION 2. That the City currently is in the process of amending its ordinances relating to signs.

SECTION 3. That there shall be a moratorium on the acceptance of and approval of all applications for Billboards, as that term is currently defined in the City's ordinances, in excess of 150 square feet; the term Billboard is defined in the City's ordinances in Section 3.3.2 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City as follows: "A sign which advertises services, merchandise, entertainment or information which is not available at the property on which the sign is located."

SECTION 4. That this moratorium shall be in effect beginning immediately and shall remain in effect until the earlier of 1) December 31, 2006 or 2) the City's repealing this moratorium upon the passage of amendments to the City's ordinances relating to signs. During this moratorium, no applications for Billboards in excess of 150 square feet shall be either accepted or approved by the City.

RESOLVED this the 29th day of August, 2006.

Approved:


Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:


Jeanette R. Marchiafava, City Clerk
(Seal)

