AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE 33, SIGNS, OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS ZONING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs find that from time to time it is necessary to amend sections of the Zoning Ordinance to correct, clarify, and update the provisions of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs find that it is necessary to clarify the standards regarding nonconforming signs and the limitations on when such signs are permitted to exist; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs find that it is necessary to allow for construction signs within the O-I (Office and Institutional District) zoning classification; and

NOW, THEREFORE, to accomplish the foregoing, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, pursuant to their authority, do hereby adopt the following Ordinance:

1.

Chapter 33, Signs, Section 20, Nonconforming Signs, of the City of Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by the deletion of Section 20.A., Maintained in its entirety and the following is inserted therefor:

A. Maintained

A nonconforming sign shall not be replaced by another nonconforming sign, except that the substitution or interchange of poster panels, painted boards, or dismountable material on nonconforming signs shall be permitted provided that said replacement does not constitute a material change to the sign. All nonconforming signs shall be maintained in good repair.

2.

Chapter 33, Signs, Section 26, Restrictions Based on Location, Section 26.D., O-I District, of the City of Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended by the addition of Section 26.D.9., Signs During Construction, and the following is inserted therefor:

9. Signs during Construction. One (1) additional sign shall be allowed during construction. The sign shall not be internally illuminated. The sign shall be allowed beginning with the commencement of construction and ending with the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy or installation of a permanent sign, whichever occurs first. The sign shall not exceed the maximum Freestanding Sign allowed on the lot.

3.

All ordinances, parts of ordinances, or regulations in conflict herewith are repealed.
4.

*Severability.* Should any court of competent jurisdiction declare any section of this Ordinance invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, which is not specifically declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

5.

*Repeal of Conflicting Provisions.* It is the intention of the Mayor and Council, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Sandy Springs, Georgia and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

6.

This Ordinance is effective April 15, 2008; and

ORDAINED this the 15th day of April, 2008.

Approved:

\[Signature\]

Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:

\[Signature\]

Christina Rowland, City Clerk
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