

**A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST PLAN COMMISSION REVIEW  
OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN STRUCTURE (OASS) PLACEMENT,  
AND TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON PERMITTING OASS'S  
UNTIL AN INTERIM DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE CAN BE ADOPTED  
TO IMPOSE A MORATORIUM ON OASS PERMIT ISSUANCE  
WHILE SUCH REVIEW IS COMPLETED**

WHEREAS, members of the City Council are concerned about the continued placement of outdoor advertising sign structures (OASS, commonly referred to as billboards) in the City of Urbana and it's effect upon the general welfare of the community and are desirous of investigating the feasibility of a possible permanent ban or "cap and replace" restriction on OASS or a limitation on the increase in the number of OASS's; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to thoroughly study the details and effects of any further restriction of OASS placement in the City of Urbana through proper public notice, technical review by staff and other interested parties, public input, and review and recommendation by the Plan Commission with respect to any potential revisions to the Sign Regulations of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, an Interim Development Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2000-11-136) is currently in place which places a moratorium on the issuance of permits for OASS pending adoption of amendments to the Zoning Ordinance with respect to the appearance of OASS; and

WHEREAS, the current Interim Development Ordinance is set to expire on June 18, 2001 and does not address the potential for further restricting the placement of OASS and so would not be a suitable vehicle for the current request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council does hereby place a moratorium on the issuance of permits for OASS, as defined by the Zoning Ordinance, until adoption or rejection of an Interim Development Ordinance designed to study this issue.

Section 2. The City Council does hereby further direct that City staff and Plan Commission develop an Interim Development Ordinance regarding new OASS's and commence study and review of the advisability, details, and ramifications of a potential ban or "cap and replace" limitation on OASS or a limitation on the increase in the number of OASS's, with such study to include consideration of potential benefits and costs to the community, relevant legislation, relevant case law, actions of other communities, effects on previous settlement agreement, and impacts upon vested rights and property rights.

Section 3. City Council does hereby further direct City staff to coordinate study and public input on the issue through continuation of the previously established task force for the study of OASS. Said task force shall include a member of City Council, appropriate City staff, and representatives of the outdoor advertising industry.

PASSED by the City Council this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June,  
2001 .

AYES: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Wyman

NAYS: Whelan

ABSTAINS:

APPROVED by the Mayor this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June,

2001 .



Phyllis D. Clark  
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

Tod Satterthwaite  
Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor