RESOLUTION NO. 2004-08-018R

A RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON PERMITTING OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN STRUCTURES (OASS's)

(Until an Interim Development Ordinance can be adopted to impose a moratorium on OASS permit issuance while the review of the number, placement, and development standards of OASS's is being completed)

WHEREAS, members of the City Council are concerned about the placement of outdoor advertising sign structures (OASS's, commonly referred to as billboards) in the City of Urbana and its effect upon the general welfare of the community and are desirous of investigating the feasibility of revisions to the spacing, development and placement regulations pertaining to OASS's, including the potential for "cap and replace" type restrictions; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to thoroughly study the details and effects of any further restriction of OASS number, placement and design 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 is proposed to be employed to place a moratorium on the issuance of permits for OASS's pending adoption of amendments to the Zoning Ordinance with respect to the number, placement, and design of OASS's; and

WHEREAS, a zoning text amendment shall be developed to address the goals of the Interim Development Ordinance, through proper development and review by staff and the Plan Commission, with subsequent review by Council for action prior to the expiration of the moratorium on OASS permits.

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 OR adoption or rejection of a zoning text amendment related to the number and placement of OASS, whichever comes first.

Section 2. The City Council does hereby further direct that City staff and Plan Commission adopt an Interim Development Ordinance

regarding new OASS's and initiate the study and review of the advisability, details, and ramifications of potential revisions to the number, placement, and development regulations pertaining to OASS, with such study to include consideration of potential benefits and costs to the community, relevant legislation, overlapping jurisdiction regulations, relevant case law, action of other communities, and impacts upon vested rights and property rights.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 16th day of August, 2004.

AYES: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Patt and Wyman

NAYS: Whelan

ABSTAINED:

APPROVED by the Mayor this Zetting

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Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor

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