

(Bill No. 040996)

AN ORDINANCE

Repealing Chapter 10-1200 of The Philadelphia Code entitled "Posting of Temporary Signs" and adopting a new Chapter 10-1200, entitled "Posting of Signs."

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 10-1200 of The Philadelphia Code entitled "Posting of Temporary Signs" is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code is amended by adding a new Chapter 10-1200, as follows:

TITLE 10. REGULATION OF INDIVIDUAL CONDUCT AND ACTIVITY.

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CHAPTER 10-1200. POSTING OF SIGNS.

§10-1201. Definitions.

"Signs" include, but are not limited to, banners, pennants, placards, posters, stickers, advertising flags, and plaques.

§10-1202. Prohibited Conduct.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), no person shall post any sign on any:
 - (1) utility pole;
 - (2) streetlight;
- (3) traffic or parking sign or device, including any post to which such sign or device is attached;
 - (4) historical marker; or
 - (5) City-owned tree or tree in the public right-of-way.

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(b) A person may post a sign on a streetlight provided the sign complies with the requirements of the Banner Program, as defined by regulations promulgated by the Department of Streets.

§10-1203. Posting of Prohibited Signs.

- (a) Any posted sign that does not comply with the provisions of §10-1202 may be removed by the Department of Licenses & Inspections or its designees.
- (b) Any person responsible for the posting of a sign not in compliance with the provisions of § 10-1202 shall be liable:
 - (1) for the cost incurred in the removal thereof; and
 - (2) for a penalty of \$75.

§ 10-1204. Regulations.

For the purpose of administering this Chapter, the Department of Streets and the Department of Licenses & Inspections may each promulgate regulations that are consistent with the provisions of this Chapter.

§ 10-1205. Severability.

If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, provision, or exception of this Chapter shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Chapter as a whole or any part thereof. It is the intention of City Council that the remainder of this Chapter would have been adopted as if such invalid section, paragraph, subsection, clause, provision, or exception had not been enacted.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted. *Italics* indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on December 16, 2004. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on January 25, 2005.

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Chief Clerk of the City Council