

ORDINANCE NO. 77-6

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE UNIFORM SIGN CODE, 1976 EDITION, FIRST PRINTING, REGULATING THE DESIGN, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, CONSTRUCTION, LOCATION, ELECTRIFICATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL SIGNS AND SIGN STRUCTURES NOT LOCATED WITHIN A BUILDING; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 77 AND 75-6 OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Ridgecrest, being marked and designated as the "Uniform Sign Code, 1976 Edition, First Printing, published by the International Conference of Building Officials" be and the same is hereby adopted as the Sign Code for the City of Ridgecrest to provide for the regulation of the design, quality of materials, construction, location, electrification, and maintenance of all signs and sign structures not located within a building in the City of Ridgecrest; and each and all of the regulations, provision, penalties, conditions, and terms of such "Uniform Sign Code, 1976 Edition, First Printing, published by the International Conference of Building Officials", on file in the office of the City Clerk are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof as if fully set out in the Ordinance.

SECTION 2. That Section 1401, Chapter 14, TEMPORARY SIGNS, of the Uniform Sign Code, 1976 Edition, First Printing is hereby deleted.

SECTION 3. No temporary sign shall exceed 100 square feet in area. Temporary signs of rigid material shall not exceed 24 square feet in area or 6 feet in height.

No temporary cloth, canvas or light fabric signs shall be fastened to the ground.

Temporary signs of rigid material may be fastened to the ground by a single upright, pole or brace, said signs to be located not less than 15 feet from the edge of a driveway approach.

Temporary signs may remain in place for a period not exceeding seven (7) days after the event or election for which the signs were displayed.

The permit applicant shall be responsible for the removal of the sign.

All permits for temporary signs shall be issued on a no-fee courtesy basis.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall not be construed as imposing on the City of Ridgecrest or its officers or employees any liability for damage resulting from defective work; nor shall the City of Ridgecrest or any of its officers or employees be held to assume any such liability by reason of the inspections authorized hereunder.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert, demolish, equip, use, or maintain any sign or structure in the City of Ridgecrest, or cause or permit the same to be done, contrary to or in violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the Code adopted herein.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the Code adopted herein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and each such person shall be guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the Code adopted herein is committed, continued, or permitted, and upon conviction of any such violation such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300), or by imprisonment for not more that ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 6. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance or said Codes is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said Ordinance or Codes. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Ridgecrest hereby declare that they would have passed said Ordinance and Codes, and each section, sub-section, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, sub-sections, clauses or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 7. That Ordinance Nos. 77 and 75-6 of the City of Ridgecrest are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. That the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of February, 1977, by the following vote:

- AYES: Mayor Edwards, Councilmembers Chieze, Green, Karlberg and Smith.
- NOES: None.
- ABSENT: None.

Ted B. Edwards

 TED B. EDWARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jacqueline C. Reed

 JACQUELINE C. REED, CITY CLERK