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ORDINANCE NO. 2176

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DECLARING THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY; EXTENDING THE INTERIM AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S SIGN REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2151 THROUGH APRIL 4, 2004, ADOPTING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH EXTENSION AND INTERIM AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2151 of the City of Redmond, passed by the City Council on February 4, 2003, adopted certain interim amendments to the City's sign regulations relating to non-commercial speech signs and real estate signs, and

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing on March 18, 2003, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2155, extending the interim sign regulations through October 4, 2003 in order to allow the City's Planning Commission time to work on permanent amendments to the sign regulations, and

WHEREAS, the heavy workload of the Redmond Planning Commission has prevented the Commission from attending to this issue and it is therefore necessary to extend the interim regulations in order to allow the Commission sufficient time to complete the necessary work, and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on extension of the interim regulations on September 16, 2003 and, after considering all testimony received, determined to extend the interim regulations as provided herein, now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON,
HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Extension of Interim Sign Code Amendments. The interim amendments to Subsections 20D.160.10-060(6) and 20D.160.10-060(7)(b)(vi) of the Redmond Community Development Guide and Redmond Municipal Code, as adopted by Ordinance No. 2151, passed by the City Council on February 4, 2003, and previously extended by Ordinance 2155, passed by the City Council on March 18, 2003, are hereby extended and made effective through April 4, 2004, unless sooner replaced by permanent regulations adopted by subsequent ordinance. The said interim amendments shall automatically expire on the date set forth in the preceding sentence unless further extended.

Section 2. Adoption of Findings. In support of the extension of the interim amendments provided for in Section 1 above, the City Council hereby adopts the recitals of Ordinances No. 2151 and 2155, the analysis contained in the staff report on the amendments dated March 18, 2003 and the staff report on this ordinance dated September 16, 2003, and the recitals of this ordinance.

Section 3. Planning Commission Work Plan. The Redmond Planning Commission is hereby directed to review the interim amendments and to make a recommendation on whether said amendments, or some modification thereof, should be permanently adopted. The Planning Commission is directed to complete its review, to conduct such public hearings as may be necessary or desirable, and to forward its recommendation to the City Council in sufficient time for the City Council to take action prior to the April 4, 2004 expiration of the interim amendments.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date – Declaration of Emergency. For the reasons set forth in the recitals of Ordinance No. 2151, the City Council hereby finds and declares that an emergency continues to exist which necessitates that this ordinance become effective immediately in order to preserve the public health, safety and welfare. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. The City Clerk is directed to publish a summary of this ordinance at the earliest possible publication date.

APPROVED:



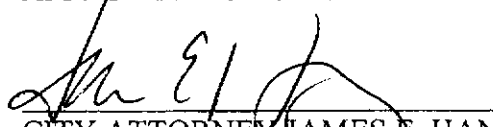
MAYOR ROSEMARIE M. IVES

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



CITY CLERK BONNIE MATTSON

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CITY ATTORNEY JAMES E. HANEY

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:	September 11, 2003
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