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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 78-803(1) OF THE STOUGHTON MUNICIPAL CODE

The Common Council of the City of Stoughton, Dane County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

1. Section 78-803(1) of the Stoughton Municipal Code are hereby created and shall read as follows:

Sec. 78-803. - Sign permit required.

(1)

Permit requirement. No sign may be constructed, erected, remodeled, relocated or expanded until a sign permit is obtained in accordance with this article. No sign permit shall be issued for any sign unless the sign is permitted by and complies with the regulations of this article, provided, however, that the types of signage set out in subsection (2) of this section are exempt from the permit ~~fee~~ requirements.

(2)

Exemptions. The following shall be exemptions to the sign permit requirements in subsection (1) of this section:

(a)

Flags or emblems of a government, sign of political, civic, philanthropic, educational or religious organizations displayed on private property. Political campaign signs must be removed within one week after election. Only one sign per candidate or political issue is permitted per lot.

(b)

Signs of a duly constituted governmental body, including traffic or similar regulatory devices, legal notices, utility warning signs and warnings at railroad crossings.

(c)

Memorial signs.

(d)

Address numerals and other signs required to be maintained by law or governmental order, rule or regulation.

(e)

Small, nonilluminated instructional signs, not exceeding two square feet in area, displayed on private property for the convenience of the public, including signs to identify restrooms, instructional signs, freight entrances and the like. Signs larger than two square feet require a permit fee.

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(f)

Temporary signs, provided that such signs conform to subsection 78-810(1)c and subsection 78-811(3).

(g)

Artwork and athletic scoreboards.

(h)

Signs accessory to residential/commercial uses permitted by subsections 78-811(1), (2) and (3), section 78-812 and subsections 78-814(1)f, 78-814(7) and 78-814(8).

(i)

Signs accessory to churches, schools or nonprofit institutions permitted by section 78-813.

(j)

Garage sale signs per subsection 78-810(13).

(k)

Signs deemed to be historical by the zoning administrator. The zoning administrator may seek guidance from the Landmarks Commission.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.

Adopted on roll call at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Stoughton held on the day of , 2010.

VOTE:

Ayes:

Noes:

Adopted:

Published:

APPROVED:

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Donna L. Olson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Luann J. Alme, City Clerk

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