

The Mayor and Commissioners  
of the Town of Elkton

**Ordinance 2-2006**

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BY: Mayor and Commissioners

INTRODUCTION: February 15, 2006

ADOPTION: March 1, 2006

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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

**THE ELKTON ZONING ORDINANCE**

**FOR THE PURPOSE** of amending the Elkton Zoning Ordinance, Article XVI, prohibits the construction of any future billboards.

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the State of Maryland, Article XI-E, Article 23A, Annotated Code of Maryland; Article 66B, Annotated Code of Maryland; and the Charter of the Town of Elkton provide the authority under which the Board of Commissioners may adopt, repeal and/or amend the ordinances of the Town of Elkton; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners, acting as the legislative body of the Town of Elkton, adopted the Elkton Zoning Ordinance on November 8, 1994, amended from time to time thereafter, and

**WHEREAS**, the Elkton Planning Commission has proposed and recommended the hereinafter stated amendments to the Elkton Zoning Ordinance following their public hearing held on January 9, 2006, said public hearing being held in conformance with the requirements of the Elkton Zoning Ordinance, Article XIX; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Commissioners have determined that the amendments to the Elkton Zoning Ordinance, specifically, amendments to Article XVI, Signs, Sections 1, 3.1, 11, and 21, set forth herein shall not apply to signs that have received approval prior to the effective date of the amendments.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton hereby ordain that:

Section 1: The Elkton Zoning Ordinance, Article XVI, Signs, Sections 1, 3.1, 11, and 21, shall be repealed; and

Section 2: The Elkton Zoning Ordinance, Article XVI, Signs Sections 1, 3.1, 11, and 21, shall be re-enacted, as amended, and shall read as follows:

Section 3. **AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, Section 2, specifically, the amendment to Article XVI, Signs, Sections shall not apply to signs that have received approval prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.

## **THE ELKTON ZONING ORDINANCE**

### **Article XVI Signs**

#### Section 1. Definitions

*Ground Sign.* Any sign erected, constructed or maintained for the purpose of displaying outdoor advertising by means of poster, picture, and/or words when such sign is supported by one or more uprights, pylons, poles or braces placed upon, or in, or supported by the ground and not attached to any part of a building.

#### Section 3. Sign Permit Required

1. No person shall erect a sign within the Town and no person shall repair, alter, relocate or maintain any existing sign within the Town unless and until a permit for such sign has been issued by the Zoning Administrator

#### Section 11. Commercial Signs

No commercial sign, as defined by this Article, shall be erected within the Town except upon property which has been zoned for such purpose.

#### Section 21. Prohibited Signs

1. Billboards, except existing billboards, or billboards approved prior to January 1, 2006, shall be deemed legal and lawful signs pursuant to Section 17.1 of this Article and they may be replaced, but must be modernized on the site where they exist so long as their advertisement area does not exceed three hundred (300) square feet and their maximum height does not exceed the height requirements for the zone in which they are located.

**\*\* END OF SECTION\*\***

**DATE OF EFFECT**

**THIS ORDINANCE shall be effective on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2006.**

Mayor Joseph L. Fisona  
Commissioner John K. Burkley, II  
Commissioner Earl M. Piner, Sr.  
Commissioner C. Gary Storke