ORDINANCE #2010-18: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE STATESBORO CITY CODE (ZONING)

(Note: All proposed deletions struck. All proposed additions underlined. All changes highlighted in yellow)

WHEREAS, the City has previously adopted an ordinance regulating the use of land, and commonly known as the Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined there is sufficient reason and need to amend Appendix A (Zoning) of the Statesboro City Code to eliminate unnecessary requirements;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, in regular session assembled as follows:

Section 1. Appendix A of the Statesboro City Code is hereby amended as follows:

a) Amend existing Article XV (Signs), Section 1509(C) (Table 3) as follows:

SIGN DISTRICT 1 (As defined in subsection 1509[A.1])	RESIDENCE ON AN INDIVIDUAL LOT*	RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OR SUBDIVSION**	NONRESIDENTIAL USE
AGGREGATE SIGN AREA***:			
1. Maximum Number of Total Square Feet (SF)*	12 square feet	Varies (All signs within a residential development or subdivision must be constructed of brick, stone, masonry, wood, or equal architectural material)	80 square feet including freestanding and building signs.
FREESTANDING SIGNS****:			
2. Freestanding Sign Maximum Square Feet	4½ square feet	40 square feet (Per development entrance sign) 18 square feet (Per sign identifying a development common area or facility)	40 square feet
3. Maximum Height	3 feet	6 feet	8 feet
4. Setback Requirements	5 feet	5 feet****	5 feet
5. Number of Signs Allowed	One	Two (2) sign structures per entrance to the development or subdivision.****	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage & a total of two (2) such signs
BUILDING SIGNS:			
1. Maximum Number of Total Square Feet	N/A	18 square feet	40 square feet
2. Maximum Height	N/A (Window signs only)	Building Elevation	Building Elevation
3. Number of Building Signs Allowed	N/A	One per building serving as the principal structure in a common area or facility. SSS	One per building elevation with street frontage. ^{SSS}

- *Per the purposes of this article, "residences on an individual lot" refers to any individual lot principally serving as a single-family residential dwelling [attached, detached, townhouse, etc.] or a duplex.
- **Per the purposes of this article signage related to a "residential development or subdivision" includes all common entry signage into the development, and all signage related to common areas and facilities.
- ***As provided in Section 1501 and Table 2 herein, "aggregate sign area" includes all freestanding or building signs regardless of whether or not a permit for a particular type of sign is required.
- ****Limited to monument and standard informational signs where permitted by Table 2. Billboards and stanchion signs prohibited as provided in Table 2 herein.
- *****Unless incorporated into the street right-of-way as part of landscaped entryway feature in which case only one (1) sign structure may be located at the entrance, and such sign placement, and maintenance agreements, shall have been approved as part of the major subdivision approval process established in Appendix B of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Statesboro Subdivision Regulations). \
- (NOTE: Illumination of building or freestanding signs is prohibited on any individual lot principally serving as single-family residential dwelling [attached, detached, townhouse,
- etc.] or a duplex. Land uses within Sign District 1 which may otherwise utilize illumination, shall not incorporate internal illumination.)

 555 Two (2) per building elevation where one (1) sign is in the form of a canopy/awning, and where the cumulative square footage of both does not exceed the "maximum number" of total square feet" for building signs.

b) Amend existing Article XV (Signs), Section 1509(C) (Table 4) as follows:

SIGN DISTRICT 2 (As defined in subsection 1509[A.2])	SIGN FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS ON AN INDIVIDUAL LOT	MAJOR SIGN FOR PLANNED COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CENTER OR DEVELOPMENT	INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS, SHOPS, ETC., WITHIN A PLANNED COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CENTER OR DEVELOPMENT
AGGREGATE SIGN AREA*:			
1. Maximum Number of Total Square Feet (SF)*	250 square feet including freestanding and building sign	Size is based upon the overall floor space of the center as follows: 0-50,000 sf = 200 sf > 50,000 sf = 350 sf	Not applicable
FREESTANDING SIGNS**:			
Freestanding Sign Maximum Square Feet	150 square feet	Varies per overall floor space of the center (See "Aggregate Sign Area" herein)	Not applicable
3. Maximum Height	20' on St. or Fed. Frontage 8' on Local Frontage	25' on St. or Fed. Frontage 15' on Local Frontage	Not applicable
4. Setback Requirements	5 feet from property line	5 feet from property line	Not applicable
5. Number of Signs Allowed*	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage & a total of two (2) such signs	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage & a total of two (2) such signs	Not allowed
BUILDING SIGNS:			
1. Maximum Number of Total Square Feet	125 square feet	60 square feet	The greater of 60 sf or 5% of wall areas, allotted to the individual establishment
2. Maximum Height	Building elevation	Building Elevation	Building Elevation
3. Number of Building Signs Allowed <u>***</u>	One per elevation	One sign per common entrance	One per building elevation per tenant

^{*}As provided in Section 1501 and Table 2 herein, "aggregate sign area" includes all freestanding or building signs regardless of whether or not a permit for a particular type of sign is required. Where a billboard is to be located on a lot in accordance with the provisions of section 1511 herein, the aggregate sign area shall not exceed the combined maximum number of total square feet permitted for the billboard, as established in subsection 1511(B), and the building sign.

^{**}Excludes billboards. Billboards shall be subject to the provisions of section 1511 of this article.

^{***}Two (2) per building elevation where one (1) sign is in the form of a canopy/awning, and where the cumulative square footage of both does not exceed the "maximum number of total square feet" for building signs.

c) Amend existing Article XV (Signs), Section 1509(C) (Table 5) as follows:

SIGN DISTRICT 3 (As defined in subsection 1509[A.3])	SIGN FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENT ON AN INDIVIDUAL LOT	MAJOR SIGN FOR PLANNED COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CENTER OR DEVELOPMENT	BUSINESS SIGN FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENT, SHOP, ETC., WITHIN A PLANNED COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CENTER OR DEVELOPMENT
AGGREGATE SIGN AREA*:			
Maximum Number of Total Square Feet (SF)	100 150 square feet including freestanding and building signs	Size is based upon the overall floor space of the center as follows: 0-50,000 sf = 100 sf > 50,000 sf = 150 sf	Not applicable
FREESTANDING SIGNS**:			
2. Freestanding Sign Maximum Square Feet	60 square feet	Varies per overall floor space of the center (See "Aggregate Sign Area" herein)	Not applicable
3. Maximum Height	8 feet	15 feet	Not applicable
4. Setback Requirement	5 feet from property line	5 feet from property line	Not applicable
5. Number of Signs Allowed	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage & a total of two (2) such signs	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage & a total of two (2) such signs	
BUILDING SIGNS:			
Maximum Number of Total Square Feet	50 square feet Wall length of 100 feet or less: 50 square feet Wall length of greater than 100 feet: 100 square feet	60 square feet	The greater of 60 sf or 5% of wall areas, allotted to the individual establishment
2. Maximum Height	Building elevation	Building elevation	Building elevation
3. Number of Building Signs Allowed***	One per elevation	One sign per common entrance	One per building elevation per tenant

^{*}As provided in Section 1501 and Table 2 herein, "aggregate sign area" includes all freestanding or building signs regardless of whether or not a permit for a particular type of sign is required.

**Limited to monument and standard informational signs. Billboards and stanchion signs prohibited as provided in Table 2 herein.

d) Amend existing Article XV (Signs), Section 1509(C) (Table 6) as follows:

SIGN DISTRICT 4 (As defined in subsection 1509[A.4])	SIGN FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENT ON AN INDIVIDUAL LOT	SIGNS FOR INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS, OFFICES, SHOPS, ETC., WHICH ARE PART OF A PLANNED OFFICE, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL OR RETAIL CENTER OR PART OF A CONTIGUOUS AND ADJACENT ROW OF STRUCTURES
AGGREGATE SIGN AREA*:		
1. Maximum Number of Total Square Feet (SF)	100 square feet including freestanding and building signs	Not applicable
FREESTANDING SIGNS**:		
2. Freestanding Sign Maximum Square Feet	60 square feet	Not allowed
3. Maximum Height	8 feet	Not applicable

^{***}Two (2) per building elevation where one (1) sign is in the form of a canopy/awning, and where the cumulative square footage of both does not exceed the "maximum number of total square feet" for building signs.

4. Setback Requirements	2 feet from property line	Not applicable
5. Number of Signs Allowed***	One sign structure per road frontage not to exceed the maximum allowable square footage	Not allowed
BUILDING SIGNS***:		
Maximum Number of Total Square Feet	100 square feet	The greater of 60 sf or 5% of wall areas, allotted to the individual establishment
2. Maximum Height	12 feet	12 feet
3. Number of Building Signs Allowed****	One per elevation	One per business or occupant

^{*}As provided in Section 1501 and Table 2 herein, "aggregate sign area" includes all freestanding or building signs regardless of whether or not a permit for a particular type of sign is required.

Section 2. Should any section, subsection, or provision of this ordinance be ruled invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then all other sections, subsections, and provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after its adoption on two separate readings.

First Reading: August 3, 2010

Second Reading: August 17, 2010

THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STATESBORO, GEORGIA

By: Joe R. Brannen, Mayor

Attest: Sue Starling, City Clerk

^{**}Limited to monument and standard informational signs. Billboards and stanchion signs prohibited as provided in Table 2 herein.

^{***}Internal illumination of building signs is prohibited. All signs shall be constructed of wood or metal material.

^{****}Two (2) per building elevation where one (1) sign is in the form of a canopy/awning, and where the cumulative square footage of both does not exceed the "maximum number of total square feet" for building signs.