

ORDINANCE NO. 230-2005

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1994-20 OF THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA, AS AMENDED, SIGN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 1994-20, as amended, is hereby amended by adding Section 2.13 as follows:

2.13 Exceptions for overlay Zone 1.

1. **Maximum Height.** In all business and industrial zoning districts as designated in accordance with Ordinance No. 51-96, as the same may be amended, which are located in District 1 as depicted in Exhibit A, the maximum height requirement for ground signs shall be measured beginning at two (2) feet above the base flood elevation as determined in accordance with the City of Spanish Fort's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, Ordinance No. 92-99, as the same may be amended. All signs located in District 1 shall not exceed a maximum height of twenty (20) feet to the top of the sign face or frame or supporting structure, whichever is higher.
2. **Surface Area.** In all business and industrial zoning districts as designated in accordance with Ordinance 51-96, as the same may be amended, which are located in Zone 1, the aggregate surface of all ground signs shall not exceed two hundred (200) square feet. On property having a building frontage of one hundred (100) feet or more, the aggregate surface area of all ground signs shall not exceed two hundred (200) square feet plus one square foot for each additional front foot of building frontage in excess of one hundred (100) feet for a total aggregate surface area not to exceed three hundred (300) square feet.
3. **Maximum number of signs.** Only one (1) ground sign and one (1) wall, mansard, marquis or canopy, shall be allowed for each premises; except that on a corner and double frontage lots, two (2) ground signs are allowed, provided that premises for more than one (1) street frontage may utilize up to the maximum sign surface area allowed for each frontage, but no transfers of allowable area be made from one frontage to another. In all business and industrial zoning districts as designated in accordance with Ordinance No. 51-96, as the same may be amended, which are located in Zone 1 as depicted in Exhibit A, signs shall be allowed to cover twenty percent of the gross area of each wall not to exceed

two hundred (200) square feet of aggregate surface area for all signs.

4. Off premise signs. In all business and industrial zoning districts as designated in accordance with Ordinance No. 51-96, which are located in Zone 1 as depicted in Exhibit A, two (2) off premises signs may be allowed on property located within seventy-five (75) feet from the I-10 right-of-way. The aggregate surface area of said off premise signs shall not exceed six hundred seventy two (672) square feet on each side, and the height of said signs shall not exceed thirty (30) feet above the base flood elevation as determined in accordance with the City of Spanish Fort's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, Ordinance No. 92-99, as the same may be amended. No more than two (2) off premise signs shall be allowed per parcel of property, and said off premise signs shall not be located within a five hundred (500) foot radius to the nearest existing off premise sign. Finally, all signs shall be constructed in accordance with any applicable state and federal laws, rules, or regulations governing the placement of signs within or adjacent to state and federal right-of-ways.

SECTION 3. Any ordinance heretofore adopted by the City Council of the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, which is in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict. Except as expressly amended herein, all terms and provisions contained in Ordinance No. 1994-20, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. If any part, section or subdivision of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional invalid for any reason, such holding should not be construed to invalidate or impair the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding such holding.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 14th day of March, 2005.

Joseph C. Bonner
Mayor

Mary Lynn Williams, CMC
City Clerk