

TEXT AMENDMENT TO SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE
AMENDING CHAPTER 17.62 OF THE SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE
RELATED TO SIGNS

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Board, pursuant to AN ACT IN RELATION TO COUNTY ZONING of the State of Illinois (Illinois Revised Statutes 1967, Chapter 34, Paragraphs 3151 through 3162) adopted a zoning ordinance in April of 1969; and

WHEREAS, in order to make the regulations more effective, it is necessary from time to time to consider amendments that correct deficiencies or that relate to current development circumstances; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to amend Chapter 17.62 of the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance to include regulations related to signs; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning and Land Use Committee of the Sangamon County Board has reviewed the text amendment proposed in Exhibit A, and recommends approval; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Statutes, the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals conducted a public hearing on October 19, 2023 in order to seek public comment on the draft revision of the Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals recommended approval of the proposed text amendment to the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance as Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Sangamon County, Illinois, in session assembled this 14th day of November, 2023 that the request to amend the text of the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance as proposed in the attached Exhibit A is hereby approved.

Signed and passed by the Sangamon County Board in session on this 14th day of November, 2023.

COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

SANGAMON COUNTY CLERK

FILED

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Don J. May
Sangamon County Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 17.62 – Signs

17.62.010 – Definitions.

“Off-premise sign” means a sign structure advertising an establishment, merchandise, service or entertainment, which is not sold, produced, manufactured, or furnished at the property on which said sign is located, including, but not limited to, billboards or other outdoor advertising signs. e.g. “billboards” or “outdoor advertising.”

17.62.030 – Signs prohibited.

H. Off-Premise Signs except those that meet the requirements of the Illinois Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 1971, as amended, 225 ILCS 440/1 et seq.

RECAP
(For County Board Use)

DOCKET NUMBER: 2023-024

ADDRESS: N/A

PETITIONER: **Zoning and Land Use Committee of the Sangamon County Board**

PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: N/A

REQUESTED ZONING CLASSIFICATION: N/A

AREA: N/A

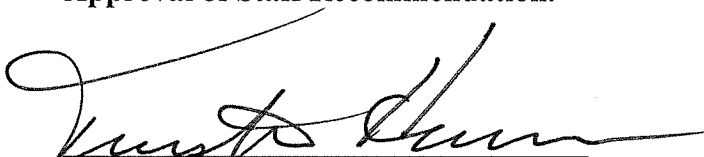
COMMENTS: **None**

OBJECTORS: **None**

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: After a zoning case for a billboard request came before the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Sangamon County Board, the County Board requested the Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission staff review the state regulations for billboards as well as the regulations for other comparable counties to Sangamon County to determine if any changes are needed to the Zoning Ordinance. Additionally, staff analyzed all the billboards currently located in unincorporated Sangamon County and determined that of the 39 total billboards, only 2 were under total control of Sangamon County, otherwise the other 37 billboards were also under IDOT's jurisdiction. Based on this analysis, staff has recommended continuing the prohibition of billboards in Sangamon County except for those billboards that meet the requirements of the Highway Advertising Control Act of 1971, (225 ILCS 440/).

Staff finds the attached ordinance meets the standards applicable to text amendments and recommends approval by the County Board after a public hearing and recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDATION:
Approval of Staff Recommendation.**


RECORDING SECRETARY

SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

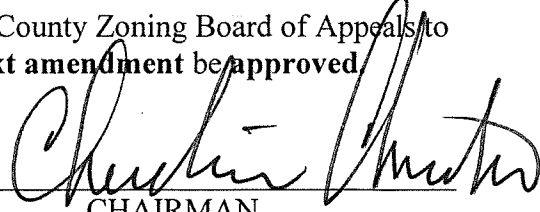
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:)	DOCKET NO: 2023-024
Zoning and Land Use)	PROPERTY LOCATED AT:
Committee of the Sangamon)	N/A
County Board)	
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RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

THIS MATTER, Coming on for a hearing before the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals of Sangamon County, Illinois, and it appearing to said Board that a petition for a **text amendment** of the Zoning Regulations of said County has been filed herein by the above captioned petitioner (s); that legal publication has been made pursuant to law; and that a public hearing was held on **October 19, 2023** pursuant to law; and that said Board took testimony of witnesses, examined the evidence, and otherwise being fully advised in the premises, therefore finds as follows:

1. That said Board has jurisdiction to consider the petition filed herein.
2. That the proposed changes are more particularly described in EXHIBIT A attached hereto and make a part hereof.
3. That required findings of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals are accurately stated on the attached exhibit (s).
4. The evidence adduced at the hearing **does** support the proposition that the adoption of the proposed **text amendment** is in the public interest and is not solely in the interest of the petitioner(s).

IT IS, THEREFORE, the recommendation of the Sangamon County Zoning Board of Appeals to the County Board of Sangamon County that the requested **text amendment** be **approved**


CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OF THE
SANGAMON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There was a motion by Zoning Board Member, **George Petrilli**, to concur with the findings and recommendation of the Regional Planning Commission and recommend to the County Board that the petition be **approved** which was duly seconded by **Anthony Mares**.


The vote of the Board was as follows:

YES: **Charlie Chimento, Anthony Mares, George Petrilli, JD Sudeth**

NO:

PRESENT:

ABSENT: **Don Wulf, Richard Thompson**


RECORDING SECRETARY