

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING MAY 14, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, met in special session in Council Chambers, May 14, 2009 at 8:30AM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Don Williams

Roll Call as Follows:

Present: Honorable Scott Irwin, President; Honorable Councilors, Timothy Larkin, David Montgomery, Jr., Don Williams, David Jones, Dr. James Rogers

Absent: Mr. Darby

Present: Mayor Lorenz Walker, James Hall, City Attorney, Phyllis McGraw, Helen Thornton, City Clerk.

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

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Resolution No. 8 Of 2009

A RESOLUTION TO PLACE A MORATORIUM ON THE PLACEMENT OF NEW OFF-PREMISE ADVERTISING DEVICES AND CHANGING EXISTING ADVERTISING FACES TO LED OR SIMILAR ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY, FOR WHICH NO BUILDING PERMIT HAS BEEN APPLIED FOR, WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City desires to provide for an opportunity for the completion of a comprehensive study of the regulations governing outdoor advertising devices with a view toward maintaining and improving property values and the economic viability of major commercial development corridors and the City of Bossier City as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Commission forwarded recommended modifications to the existing sign ordinance to the Bossier City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier City Council desires to make further changes to those recommendations and a moratorium is necessary to allow for that process to take place;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that it hereby finds it in the public

interest to review the sign ordinance in depth and modify it as needed to meet the needs of the community,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that immediate moratorium is hereby declared to be in place on the placement of new off-premise advertising devices and changing existing advertising faces to LED or similar electronic technology, for which no building permit has been applied for within the City Limits of Bossier.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the temporary moratorium shall remain in place until final action by the City Council of the City of Bossier City, but in no event later than December 31, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, terms, or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Jones, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 14th, day of May, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones and Dr. Rogers

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

There being no further business to come before this meeting, meeting adjourned at 3:07PM by President Irwin.

Respectfully submitted:

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

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