

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION No. 2011-66

WHEREAS, the current state of the national and local economy has put a strain on the ability of businesses to attract customers; and,

WHEREAS, businesses have expressed a desire to advertise promotions and sales with temporary on-site banners or “A” signs; and,

WHEREAS, the current Charles County Signs Ordinance, passed in 2010, restricts the use of temporary banners and portable signs to once every three months for a period of thirty (30) consecutive days; and,

WHEREAS, after deliberation, the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland, have determined that it is in the public interest and in the interest of the local economy to allow businesses to use temporary banner or “A” sign advertising more frequently and for longer periods of time than the current law allows; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the restrictions set forth in Charles County Code § 297-319(F)(4) shall be of no force and effect, as applied to temporary banners and “A” signs, on a temporary basis, and shall not be enforced again until six months after the date of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other provisions contained in Charles County Code § 297-319(F) shall continue to apply to temporary banners and “A” signs; and

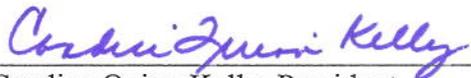
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions contained in § 297-319(C) (“Applications and permits”) shall also be of no force and effect, as applied to temporary banners and “A” signs, and neither a permit nor fee will be required, on a temporary basis, and § 297-319(C) shall not be enforced until six months after the date of this Resolution; and

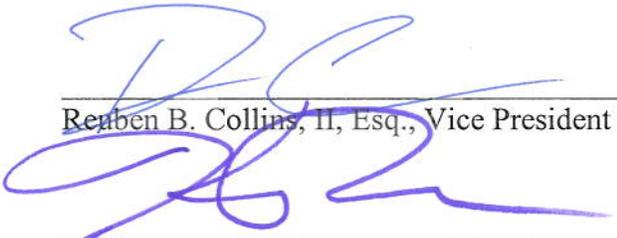
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, notwithstanding the foregoing, should a business choose to use a temporary banner or “A” sign for an extended period of time, the business shall ensure that the banner or “A” sign is in good condition, and not ripped, torn, fading, or dirty, and that it is hung properly and in a safe manner, subject to the judgment and approval of the Zoning Officer.

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ENACTED this 20th day of September, 2011, by the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland.

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