

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 2007- 17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 160, SECTION 160-81 -BILLBOARDS

The Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors hereby enacts and ordains the following Ordinance amending the Hilltown Township Code of Ordinances, Chapter 160, Section 160-81 as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Chapter 160, Section 160-81, Billboards is hereby deleted and replaced with the following provision:

160-81 Billboards

- A. It is recognized that billboards, also known within the industry as "outdoor advertising signs," are freestanding signs of comparatively great size which are designed specifically to attract the attention of the motoring public. Because billboards differ in these aspects from other freestanding signs, and because it is the expressed objective of this article to limit nuisance and insure the safety of motorists and pedestrians, the following regulations have been adopted:
- B. Billboards shall be permitted, by special exception only, in the PC-1, HI and LI Districts, subject to the following criteria:
- (1) Not more than one such sign shall be erected on any one premises under single and separate ownership;
 - (2) No such sign shall be permitted within 100 feet of any residential use, no matter in what district the use is located;
 - (3) Such signs shall not be permitted closer than 100 feet from the ultimate right-of-way;
 - (4) The area of such signs shall not exceed 250 square feet per side if located less than 200 feet from the ultimate right-of-way and the area of such signs shall not exceed 350 square feet per side if located 200 or more feet from the ultimate right-of-way, with the maximum height to top of a sign not to exceed 35 feet from the finished grade;

- (5) No such sign shall be located closer than 2,000 feet from any other such sign;
- (6) Such signs shall not be illuminated between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M.
- (7) All such signs must be constructed of durable materials and every billboard shall be firmly and solidly constructed so as to be able to bear a wind pressure of at least 30 pounds per square foot; and
- (8) All billboards shall conform to state and federal regulations.

C. Billboards must be kept and maintained in good repair, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Weeds shall be kept out of in front of, underneath and around the base of such signs; and
- (2) No rubbish or debris shall be permitted under or near such signs where such rubbish or debris could constitute a fire or health hazard.

ARTICLE 2 – Repealer

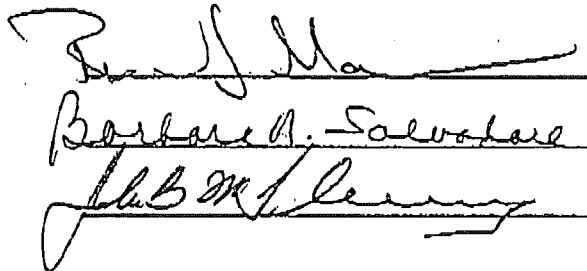
This Ordinance does hereby amend the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 160, Section 160-23.1 and does hereby supersede all provisions of said Code which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE 3 – Severability

Should any Section or provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED as an Ordinance of the Township of Hilltown this 29th day of November, 2007.

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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