

10/27/2005

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE VI, SIGNS, OF CHAPTER 110, FEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO MODIFY FEES CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH SIGNS, AND TO REPEAL CONFLICTING OR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Article VI of Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE VI. SIGNS

Sec. 110-401. Sign erector registration fee.

The sign erector registration fee as provided in section 134-75 shall be \$50.00.

Sec. 110-402. Application ~~review~~ fee.

A nonrefundable fee shall accompany each sign permit application associated with subsection 110-403(a)(b) and section 110-404. ~~The fee is credited against the approved permit fee.~~ The sign application fee shall be ~~\$50.00~~ \$75.00.

Sec. 110-403. Permanent ~~signs~~ sign fees.

(a) Prior to erection of a permanent sign, the following charges shall be paid:

~~(1) Permanent sign fee, \$50.00 per sign plus \$1.00 per square foot of sign area. This fee is based on the area of the sign face.~~

~~(2) All freestanding permanent signs shall have an additional fee of \$50.00 for the first inspection and a fee of \$40.00 for each inspection thereafter, to be taken out of the bond.~~

(1) Plan review fee.

~~(a) Where review of construction documents is performed by city employees, the review fee shall be charged at \$75.00 per hour or fraction thereof.~~

~~(b) Where the review of construction documents is performed by outside consultants, the review fee shall be charged at 1.2 times the actual cost. Payment shall be in advance based on estimated cost.~~

(2) Sign permit fees.

~~(a) Wall signs: \$75.00.~~

~~(b) Monument signs: \$150.00.~~

Permit fee covers one inspection for wall signs and two inspections for monument signs. All additional inspections will require the re-inspection fee prescribed in paragraph (3), below.

(3) **Re-inspections.** For re-inspections under this article, the fee shall be \$75.00 per inspection.

(b) Whenever a panel or the lettering of an existing sign is being changed, including alteration of the sign message, and it appears that no additional sign area will be used and there is no relocation of the sign, ~~only~~ a permit fee of ~~\$50.00~~ \$75.00 shall be charged in ~~connection with the issuance of a sign permit. A nonrefundable application fee of \$50.00 shall be credited against the approved permit fee.~~ addition to the application fee.

Sec. 110-404. Temporary signs.

Before the erection of a temporary sign, ~~the following charges~~ a permit fee of \$25.00 shall be paid:

~~(1) Signs and banners, \$50.00 per sign.~~

~~(2) Streamers and flags, \$50.00 per site.~~

~~(3) Bond pursuant to subsection (1) or (2) of this section, \$100.00 per permit.~~

Sec. 110-405. ~~Work without a permit.~~

~~Whenever a sign is erected prior to obtaining a permit, the fee shall be twice the amounts noted in this article.~~

Sec. 110-~~406~~405. Bonds.

Bonds for erection of signs shall be as follows:

(1) Permanent sign, \$200.00.

(2) Temporary sign, \$100.00.

~~(2)(3)~~ Bonds for temporary signs ~~and string signs~~ shall guarantee their timely removal. The bonds shall not be returned until the signs are removed.

Sec. 110-~~407~~406. Cancellation of permit.

~~Permit fees in excess of \$50.00 under this article may be refunded for a sign not installed after issuance of a permit. If a sign permit is cancelled, all fees shall be refunded except the application fee, plan review fee, 25% of the permit fee, and \$75.00 per inspection.~~

Secs. 110-~~408~~407--110-436. Reserved.

Section 2. Severability. This ordinance and each article, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, part, provision, sentence, word and portion thereof are hereby declared to be severable, and if they or any of them are declared to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason

by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Repeal, Effective Date, Adoption.

(1) Repeal. All regulatory provisions contained in other City ordinances, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

(2) Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on _____, following its publication in the *Rochester Eccentric* on _____.

(3) Adoption. This ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills at a meeting thereof held on Wednesday, _____.

Pat Somerville, Mayor
City of Rochester Hills

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS AT A MEETING THEREOF ON WEDNESDAY, _____.

Jane Leslie, Clerk
City of Rochester Hills