

ORDINANCE NO. 05-03-08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND CLARIFY CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 01-8-35, ADOPTED AUGUST 27, 2001, ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ORDINANCE, "BERKELEY COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE" AND AMENDING ORDINANCES NO. 02-08-33, 02-12-58, AND 04-11-68

WHEREAS, Berkeley County Council adopted a Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, on August 27, 2001, pursuant to Title 6, Chapter 29, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley County Council adopted such regulations for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, convenience, order, appearance, prosperity, and general welfare of the County; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley County Council has determined that certain amendments are now necessary,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that Ordinance No. 01-8-35 is hereby amended and revised as follows:

Section 18: Political Signs

Section 18.11 Political Signs

Political signs of a temporary nature are specifically exempted from the requirements of this ordinance subject to the following provisions of this section. Signs soliciting a vote for a particular candidate or for a position to be taken on a ballot may be posted no sooner than forty-five (45) days preceding the election (primary or general). These signs shall be removed no later than fifteen (15) days after the final election which determines the question of candidacy or approval of the measure as displayed by the signs. All unsuccessful candidates or supporters of any positions on a ballot shall remove all signs within fifteen (15) days after the election (primary or general) which is determinative of the status. Successful candidates in a primary election may be allowed to retain their signs as posted until the time period as set out herein has expired after the general election or any runoff election necessary to determine a successful candidate. It shall be the responsibility of all political candidates or groups as noted on the sign or otherwise to assure removal of the signs in compliance with this section. Failure to remove political signs within the constraints of this section may result in the Zoning Administrator or his/her designee determining the sign to be non-conforming and allow for removal and any other penalty as provided herein.

ADOPTED this day of March 28, 2005.

S/James H. Rozier, Jr., Chairman
Berkeley County Council

ATTEST:

Barbara B. Austin, CCC
Clerk of County Council

First Reading: January 24, 2005
Second Reading: February 28, 2005
Public Hearing: March 28, 2005
Third Reading: March 28, 2005