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To: Mayor Tilghman
Salisbury City Council
From: William T. Holland *WTH*
Date: November 1, 2004
Subj: Temporary Signs

Attached is a Resolution confirming the authority for the Director of Building, Housing & Zoning to allow nonprofit, civic and cultural organizations to erect temporary signs. When riding throughout the City, I am sure you have noticed temporary signs' advertising a range of different products, services and nonprofit events.

The problem with this is, off premise advertising is prohibited by the City sign ordinance and uncontrolled placing of temporary signs creates visual clutter. However, Section 17.216.200C(1) of the City Code gives authority to the Director of Building, Housing & Zoning to allow the erection of temporary signs by special civic or cultural event sponsored by a government or nonprofit organization.

Once I am contacted by the aforementioned organizations, they would be allowed to erect temporary signs three weeks prior to the scheduled event be removed within forty-eight hours after the conclusion of the event. Furthermore, temporary signs will only be allowed to be placed only on private property with the permission of the property owner and not placed sporadically throughout the City.

RESOLUTION NO. 1166

A RESOLUTION of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, to confirm the authority of the Director of the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning with regard to certain signs placed within the limits of the City of Salisbury.

WHEREAS, Section 17.216.200C(1) provides that the erection of temporary signs advertising a special civic or cultural event sponsored by a governmental or charitable organization may be permitted upon written approval by the Director of the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Salisbury desires to confirm the authority of the Director of the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning and set parameters for the use of said signs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, in regular session on the ___ day of _____, 2004, pursuant to proper authority granted it,

1. That Section 17.216.200C(1) of the Code of the City of Salisbury grants authority to the Director of the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning to permit the erection of temporary signs advertising a special civic or cultural event sponsored by a governmental or charitable organization;

2. That requests for approval to erect such signs shall be made in writing on a form provided by the Director of the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning;

3. That requests for approval to erect such signs shall be processed fairly and expeditiously;

4. That said signs shall be no larger in size than 18" X 24";

5. That said signs shall be erected no more than three (3) weeks before the event advertised and removed within forty-eight (48) hours after said event; and

6. That said signs shall be erected only on private property with the permission of the property owner.

The above resolution was introduced and read and passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, held on this ____ day of _____, 2004, and shall take effect upon its signing.

Brenda J. Colegrove,
City Clerk

Michael P. Dunn,
Council President

APPROVED BY ME this _____ day of
_____ 2004.

Barrie P. Tilghman,
Mayor of the City of Salisbury