



## ORDINANCE 723

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE, OKLAHOMA AMENDING CHAPTER 20, SECTIONS 20-13 AND 20-15 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE; PERTAINING TO SIGN PLACEMENT ON PUBLIC PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE:**

**Section 1.** That Chapter 20, Section 23-13 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 20-13. Signs on public property.**

(a) Except as described in paragraph (b) of this section, no signs may be placed on any easement, utility pole, or other public property. All signs must be placed or erected on private property with the permission of the owner of the property.

(b) Yard signs may be placed on right-of-way, provided that such signs are set back at least four (4) feet from the edge of the street. For purposes of this paragraph, *yard sign* means a temporary sign that is not permanently affixed or attached to the ground or another structure, which can be removed without special handling, and which can be placed on a street-facing lawn or elsewhere on a property by means of stakes or posts.

(c) Signs placed on public property in violation of this Section may be removed and impounded by the City. Any sign so removed may be returned to its owner upon request, made at City Hall, and after payment of a \$25.00 return fee.

**Section 2.** That Chapter 20, Section 20-15 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 20-15. Maintenance and location generally.**

All signs of every type erected under the provisions of this chapter must be maintained in a neat condition and free from scaling paint and rust. All permanent signs must be placed back of the front property line and may not be placed on or overhanging the street or any easement.

**Section 3.** **Repealer Clause.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.




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**Section 4. Severability Clause.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance

**Section 5. Emergency Clause.** WHEREAS, it being necessary for the preservation of the public health, peace, and safety of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, an emergency is declared to exist and by reason thereof this Ordinance shall take full force from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE, OKLAHOMA, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017, after compliance with the notice requirements of the Open Meeting Law (25 O.S. § 301, *et seq.*).

  
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HUTCH HIBBARD, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
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Bruce K. Stone, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2017.

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Leslie V. Batchelor, City Attorney