AN ORDINANCE AMENDING INVER GROVE HEIGHTS CITY CODE, TITLE 10, (ZONING ORDINANCE) REGARDING EXPANDING THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF THE DYNAMIC DISPLAY BILLBOARD OVERLAY DISTRICT

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Amendment. Title 10, Chapter 15E-6, BILLBOARDS of the Inver Grove Heights City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

I. Dynamic Display Billboards:

2. Location of Dynamic Display Billboards: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained within this code, dynamic display billboards may be located only within the billboard overlay district. Dynamic display billboards are prohibited in all zoning districts of the city other than the billboard overlay district. Dynamic display billboards located in the billboard overlay district must comply with all code requirements for permitted dynamic display billboards and for billboards per 10-15E-6 of this section.

5. Rezoning Of Property: Contemporaneous with the enactment of this subsection, The city has rezoned certain property within the city to the billboard overlay district by ordinance 1229 and by ordinance XXX. The area rezoned to the billboard overlay district is the only appropriate area in the city for dynamic display billboards because the city adopted an ordinance in 1993 regulating the location of billboards to an area along Highway 52/55 in Sections 27 and 34, Township 27, Range 22. Supreme court decisions and results from numerous safety studies have indicated that dynamic display billboards and other forms of outdoor signage are intended to divert, and do divert, a driver's attention from the roadway. Dynamic display billboards have been considered a form of visual pollution that can detract from the positive features of a community.

The property located within the city of Inver Grove Heights which has been rezoned to be located in the dynamic display billboard overlay district is as follows: All of sections 27 and 34, Township 27N, Range 22W, and the north half of Section 33, Township 28N, Range 22W, lying north of I-494 between Hwy 52 and Blaine Avenue, Dakota County, Minnesota.
Section Two. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its publication as provided by law.

Passed in regular session of the City Council on the ___ day of _______________, 2020.

CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

By: ________________________________
   George Tourville, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rebecca Kiernan, City Clerk