

=====

**VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1001**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 649 AND A CERTAIN  
SECTION OF CHAPTER 158, SIGNS & BILLBOARDS, OF THE  
VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF  
ILLINOIS.**

**ADOPTED BY THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK**

**THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2006**

**RONALD M. SERPICO, Village President  
MARY ANN PAOLANTONIO SALEMI, Village Clerk**

**Board Of Trustees**

**JOHN S. CONTEDEUCA  
CATHLEEN COSSIDENT ITALIA  
THOMAS KLEIN  
RUBEN LOMELI  
ARTURO J. MOTA  
ANTHONY J. PRIGNANO**

=====

**Published by authority of the  
President and Board of Trustees  
Of the Village of Melrose Park,  
Cook County, Illinois on  
This 12<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2006**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1001**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 649 AND A CERTAIN SECTION OF CHAPTER 158, SIGNS & BILLBOARDS, OF THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK, COUNTY OF COOK STATE OF ILLINOIS.**

\* \* \* \* \*

WHEREAS, the Village of Melrose Park, Cook County, State of Illinois (“the Village”) is a duly organized and existing Village created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and is now operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto with full powers to enact ordinances for the benefit of the residents of the Village.

WHEREAS, the Village President, the Honorable Ronald M. Serpico, the Village Clerk, the Honorable Mary Ann Paolantonio Salemi, having taken office on May 2, 2005 and the Village Board of Trustees, the Honorable John S. Conteduca, Cathleen Cossident Italia, Tom "T.K." Klein, Ruben Lomeli, Trustee Arturo J. Mota and Anthony J. Prignano, having taken office on May 2, 2005, constitute the duly elected, qualified and acting officials of the Village; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2001, the Board of Trustees of the Village adopted Ordinance No. 649, entitled, "An Ordinance Amending a Certain Section of Chapter 158, Signs and Billboards, of the Village of Melrose Park, County of Cook, State of Illinois (the "Village Code"); and

WHEREAS, said Ordinance, numbered 649, among other things, amended Chapter 158, Section 158.15, of the Village Code by regulating the erection and maintenance of Billboards within the Village of Melrose Park; and

WHEREAS, Billboards by their very nature affect a municipality's aesthetic and safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, Billboards have the tendency to create an inappropriate commercial atmosphere in residential districts which degrades the value of residential property; and

WHEREAS, Billboards are attractive nuisances that can cause attractive nuisances that can create traffic hazards through distractions; and

WHEREAS, the content expressed through Billboards can be, and often is, offensive to residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, after due investigation, inquiry and consideration by, among others, the Director of Public Works, the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village are of the opinion that said Ordinance, number 649 and Chapter 158 of the Village Code, require further amendment as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of this Ordinance directly pertains to and is in furtherance of the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of, and motorists who travel through, the Village Of Melrose Park; and

WHEREAS, based upon the above findings and recommendations, the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village have determined that it is necessary, advisable and in the best interest of the Village and its citizens to amend Ordinance Number 649 with regard to billboards in the Village; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Melrose Park, Cook County Illinois, as follows:

**ARTICLE I.  
IN GENERAL**

**Section 01. Incorporation Clause.**

The President and Board of Trustees of the Village (the "Village Board") hereby find that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true, and correct and does hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this Ordinance as legislative findings.

**Section 02. Purpose.**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Ordinance No. 649 and Chapter 158 of the Village Code in order to ban the further construction and erection of billboards in the Village of Melrose Park.

**Section 03. Invocation of Authority.**

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the police powers and authority granted to this Village by the Constitution of the State of Illinois and the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

**Section 04. State Law Adopted.**

All applicable provisions of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, including the Illinois Municipal Code, as may be amended from time to time, relating to the purposes of this Ordinance are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

**Sections 05-09. Reserved.**

**ARTICLE II.  
AMENDMENTS.**

**Section 10.00 Definitions**

That Ordinance Number 649 and Chapter 158, Section 158.9, are hereby amended, notwithstanding any ordinances, resolutions or code provisions to the contrary, by the following section thereto, said section should be numbered Section 11.01 and

Section 158.9(a), respectively, shall be entitled "Billboards – Not Permitted" and shall read as follows:

*Section 11.01 Billboards – Not Permitted.*

It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or entity, to construct, erect, alter, maintain or use a billboard, not already existing prior to the adoption of this section, in the Village of Melrose Park.

**ARTICLE III.  
SAVINGS CLAUSES,  
PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE**

**Section 12.00 Headings.**

The headings for the articles, sections, paragraphs, and sub-paragraphs of this ordinance are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this ordinance nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provisions of this ordinance.

**Section 13.00 Severability.**

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, sub-paragraph, section, or part of this ordinance be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable, and as though not provided for herein, and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid and in full force and effect. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Board of Trustees that this ordinance would have been adopted had not such unconstitutional or invalid provision, clause, sentence, paragraph, sub-paragraph, section, or part thereof had not been included.

**Section 14.00 Superseder.**

All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are to the extent of such conflict hereby superseded.

**Section 15.00 Publication.**

A full, true and complete copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the Village as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

/ / /

**Section 16.00 Effective date**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage, approval and publication, as provided by law.

On The Individual Poll And Voice Vote Of The Board Of Trustees:

AYE VOTES: Trustee Conteduca, Trustee Lomeli, Trustee Mota,  
Trustee Prignano

NAY VOTES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Trustee Italia, Trustee Klein

SO PASSED, ADOPTED, APPROVED AND ENACTED IN AND AT THE  
VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS  
ELEVENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006, A.D.

APPROVED:



RONALD M. SERPICO,  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

  
Mary Ann Paolantonio Salemi  
Village Clerk

(SEAL)

Recorded in the Municipal Records: September 11, 2006  
Published in pamphlet form on September 12, 2006