# RENO EVENING GAZETTE PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEVADA COUNTY OF WASHOE

NOTICE OF COUNTY ORDINANCI
In accordance with Chapter 296 '
the 1955 Statutes of the State of N
vada, NOTICE is hereby given that r
ORDINANCE REGULATING TF
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OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING STRUGATION THE UNINCORPORATE
AREA OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOF
PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF, THE LICENSING OF
FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO
CONSTRUCT AND/OR PLACE ADVERTISING DISPLAYS, THE ESTABLICENMENT AND COLLECTION OF
FEES: FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
THE VIOLATION THEREOF: AND
OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO, was proposed on
February 20th. 1957 by Commissioner
PETERSON; final action of adoption
taken on March 5th. 1957 by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Peterson
and Caputro
NAYS: Commissioners Rieppe
This Ordinance shall be in full force
and effect from and after March 24th.
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Ordinance are available for inspection.
by all interested parties, at the office
of the County Clerk, Court House,
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M. K. BROWN
Commissioners, Washoe County
Commissioners, Washoe County
Nevada

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Barbara Hastings being first duly sworn, deposes and says:
That She is the Principal clerk of THE RENO EVENING GAZETTE, a daily newspaper published at Reno, in Washoe County, in the State of Nevada.
That the notice of younty ordinance
advertising Structures of which a copy is hereto attached, was first published in
said newspaper in its issue dated the 9th day of
19.57, and was published in
each issue of said newspaper thereafter for
Narch 16-23
the full period of days, the last publication
thereof being in the issue dated the 23rd day of
<u>larch</u> , 19 57
Signed Barbara Hastings
Subscribed and sworn to before me this
23rd day of warch , 19.57
Day of Grand
Notary Public.

SUMMARY: Providing for the placement and construction of outdoor advertising structures in the County of Washoe; licensing of firms and individuals who construct such signs; providing for fees to be paid therefor; penalties and violation thereof and other matters relating thereto.

## BILL No. 11

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#### ORDINANCE No. 53

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING STRUCTURES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF, THE LICENSING OF FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO CONSTRUCT AND/OR PLACE ADVERTISING DISPLAYS, THE ESTABLISH-INSTRATION OF FELS: FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTLES PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY DO ORDAIN:

and welfare of the people of Wastoe County by regulating the location, appearance, construction and maintenance of any outdoor advertising hereafter erected in the unincorporated portions of Wastoe County.

SECTION 2. Definitions. Certain words and terms used in this ordinance are defined for the purpose of this ordinance as follows:

- l. "Outdoor advertising structure" shall mean any sign or advertisement used as an outdoor display by painting, posting, or affixing on a surface of pictures, emblems, words, figures, numbers or lettering for the purpose of making anything known, the matter so advertised or displayed being remote from its point of sale.
- 2. "Jign" shall mean any words, lettering, parts of letters, figures, numerals, phrases, emblems, devices, desirns, trade names, or trade marks, by which any person, profession, commodity, business, or fact is made known.
- 3. Weit er "Outdoor advertising structure nor "Sign" shall include the following:
  - (a) Official notices by any court or public body or

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officer.

- (b) Notices posted by any public officer in performance of a public duty or by any person in giving any legal notice.
- (c) Directional, warning, or information signs or structures required by or authorized by law or by federal, state or county authority.
- 4. "Advertising Display" or "Display" shall mean any outdoor advertising structure.
- 5. The verb "to place" and any of its variants, as applied to advertising displays, includes the maintaining and erecting, constructing, posting, painting, printing, tacking, nailing, gluing, sticking, carving or otherwise fastening, affixing, or making visible any advertising display on or to the ground or any tree, bush, rock, fence, post, wall, building, structure or thing.
- 6. "Building Inspector" shall mean the Building
  Inspector of the Washoe County Department of Building or any
  agent designated by the County Commissioners of Washoe County.
- 7. "Person" shall include natural person, firm, co-partnership, association and corporation.

SECTION 3. Administration. The Building Inspector or other agent as designated by the County Commissioners of Washoe County shall be responsible for the administration of this ordinance; he shall prescribe the form of and supply all requisite forms for applications, licenses and permits provided for in this ordinance; he shall collect all fees provided for in this ordinance.

(a) All fees collected by the Building Inspector or other duly appointed agent shall be deposited immediately

upon receipt with the Treasurer of Washoe County.

SECTION 4. Scope. The regulations contained in this ordinance shall apply to any advertising displays hereafter constructed in the unincorporated areas of Washoe County.

- 1. Existing advertising displays shall be made to conform to the regulations prescribed herein within six months of the date of the adoption of this ordinance by the Board of County Commissioners if such existing advertising displays constitute a serious menace to the safety of any person or persons.
- 2. With the exception of the provisions contained in Section 5, nothing in this ordinance shall apply to advertising displays used exclusively for:
- (a) Advertisement of the sale or lease of the property upon which the advertising display is placed.
- (b) Designation of name of owner or occupant of premises or to identify such premises.
- 3. No advertising display may be maintained unless the name of the person owning or maintaining it is plainly displayed thereon.
- 4. No advertising display shall be placed in any of the following locations or positions:
- 1. Within the right-of-way of any highway, or within any distance from any primary or secondary highway as prohibited by state statute.
- 2. On any highways or roadways in the unincorporated area of Washoe County other than the following:
- (a) U S Highway 40, U S Highway 395; and any alternates of these routes; or Nevada State Routes 27 and 28, 34, 17.

- 3. Within any E-1, E-2, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4 or A-4 zone designated under the provisions of Washoe County Ordinance #38.
- 4. Within any stream or drainage channel where the advertising display might be deluged and swept under any highway structure or against the supports of any highway structure.
- 5. Within a distance of 300' from the point of intersection of highway or highway and railroad right of way lines.
- 6. So as to prevent a traveler on a highway from obtaining a clear view of approaching traffic for a distance of 500'.
  - 7. Displays of the following nature are prohibited:
- (a) Imitations or simulations of any directional, warning, danger, or informational signs permitted under the provisions of this ordinance.
- (b) Displays of any red or blinking or intermittent light likely to be mistaken for a warning or danger signal.
- (c) Illumination of such brilliance and/or position as to blind or dazzle the vision of travelers.
- (d) Displays containing statements, words or pictures of an obscene, indecent, or immoral character.

### SECTION 5. Standards of Construction and Maintenance.

1. All advertising displays hereafter placed under the provisions of this ordinance shall be constructed and maintained to withstand a wind pressure of 20 lbs. per square foot of exposed surface. In determining the proper structure to comply with this requirement, the Building Inspector shall utilize "Construction Standards", issued by the Outdoor

Advertising Association of America.

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2. Painted surfaces of all advertising displays hereafter placed under the provisions of this ordinance shall be kept in a reasonable state of repair. The Building Inspector shall exercise considered judgment in this respect.

# SECTION 6. Licenses.

1. All persons placing an advertising display under the provisions of this ordinance shall obtain a license from the Building Inspector. License fees shall be charged on the basis of number of displays placed and/or maintained according to the following schedule:

Up to five \$5.00 Six to twenty-five 10.00 Over twenty five 25.00

- 2. Licenses shall be payable yearly on a fiscal basis.
- 3. License fees are payable annually in advance on the first day of July of each year to the Building Inspector.
- 4. All licenses issued on or after the first day of July shall expire on the thirtieth day of June following the date of issue. Fees for original licenses issued after the first day of July of each year shall be apportioned and collected on the basis of one-twelfth of the fee for each month or part thereof remaining in the fiscal year.

SECTION 7. Permits. No person shall place any advertising display within the areas affected by this ordinance without first having secured a written permit from the Building Inspector or his authorized agent.

l. Persons desiring a permit to place an advertising display shall file an application with the Building Inspector or his authorized agent. This application shall be on a blank form supplied by the Building Inspector and shall set forth

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the name and address of the applicant, a description of the property upon which the display will be placed, and a diagram showing the location of the display upon the property.

- 2. Applicants for permits shall offer evidence that the owner of property to be used for the placement of an advertising display consented to such placement; and that said proposed area of construction is properly zoned for the erection of said advertising display and not contrary to the provisions of Washoe County Ordinance #38.
- 3. Applications shall contain adequate information as to the construction of the proposed display to indicate compliance with the provisions of Section 5 of this ordinance.
- 4. If any application is in full compliance with the provisions of this ordinance and if the display will conform to other applicable laws, the Building Inspector or his authorized agent shall, within 10 days after the filing of the application and payment of required fees, issue a permit to place the proposed display for the remainder of the fiscal year in which the permit is issued.
- 5. The issuance of a permit for the placing of an advertising display includes the right to change the advertising copy thereon, or to alter the structure in a minor way without requiring a new permit or payment of new fees for the remainder of the fiscal year in which the original permit was issued.
- 6. Permits provided under the terms of this ordinance shall carry an indentification number, such number to be inscribed on a plate to be issued by the Building Inspector.
  - (a) Such number plate shall be securely fastened

by the applicant to the advertising display to which it applies in a manner to facilitate inspection by the Building Inspector.

- (b) The color of such number plates shall be changed annually.
- 7. Permits shall be renewed on the first day of July of each year upon the application and payment of fees as provided in this ordinance and shall expire on the thirtieth day of June.
- (a) Number plates shall be attached by the applicant to advertising displays to which they apply within thirty days after their issuance.
- 8. Permit fees shall be based on the following schedule:

Initial fee, payable upon issuance of permit for construction of new display: \$2.50 of which .50¢ applies toward the first year permit fee and, thereafter, .50¢ per advertising display per year.

#### SECTION 8. Penalties.

- 1. All displays placed in violation of the provisions of this ordinance are public nuisances and may be removed as hereinafter provided in this ordinance.
- 2. The Building Inspector may revoke any license or permit for the failure to comply with the provisions of this ordinance and may through the period of construction issue a cease and desist order to the person or persons constructing said advertising display. A copy of said cease and desist order must be personally served upon the person constructing said advertising display. No further work, construction or painting shall occur subsequent to the issue

of the cease and desist order unless upon authority by Court having jurisdiction of the subject matter, or upon order of the Washoe County Board of Adjustment.

- 3. For the purpose of inspecting, removing or disposing of advertising displays the Building Inspector may enter upon private property without incurring any liability therefore.
- 4. Every person as principal, agent, or employee, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 5. The remedies provided in this ordinance for the removal of illegal advertising displays are cumulative and not exclusive of any other remedies provided by law.

SECTION 9. Appeals. The Washoe County Board of Adjustment as designated in Ordinance No. 38 shall act as a board of appeals from the decisions of the Building Inspector. The right of further appeal from Board of Adjustment decisions to the Board of County Commissioners shall be allowed.

SECTION 10. Severability. If any provisions of this ordinance are held invalid such invalidity shall not affect other provisions and each provision is hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 11. Repeal of conflicting provisions. Those provisions of any other Washoe County Ordinance in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent that they are in conflict with this ordinance.

SECTION 12. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Proposed on the 20th day of February, 1957.

Proposed by Commissioner Leteron

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