

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING LICENSES TO BE ISSUED BY THE
CITY OF GROTON FOR SIGNS WHICH ARE LOCATED ON CITY OF
GROTON PROPERTY
(INITIALLY APPROVED SEPTEMBER 7, 2004 AND
FINALLY APPROVED OCTOBER 4, 2004)**

WHEREAS, the City of Groton owns property on which signs have been placed at various times by private property owners; and

WHEREAS, the City of Groton has the responsibility to manage, safeguard and maintain appropriately its real property for the benefit of the citizens of the City of Groton; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to inventory and grant licenses where appropriate for signs which presently exist on City property.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Groton, through its zoning official, shall inventory signs which presently exist on City of Groton property documenting their location; and

The City would intend to grant licenses for the said sign locations subject to the following qualifications:

1. The sign complies with the City of Groton zoning regulations, is duly permitted thereunder and poses neither a health nor safety issue.
2. The license would be revocable by the City upon 30 days notice and would be for a term of one year and would automatically renew for succeeding terms of one year.
3. The owner of said sign would carry a liability insurance policy in an amount determined by the City of Groton and name the City of Groton as an additional insured on said policy and in addition, would indemnify and hold harmless the City of Groton from any liability because of the existence of said sign on City of Groton property.
4. The licenses shall be granted by the Mayor and Council on a case-by-case basis and be subject to conditions including, if appropriate, the payment of a license fee all within the discretion of the said Mayor and Council.
5. The zoning official shall have the authority subject to confirmation by the Mayor and Council to promulgate and administer reasonable rules, regulations, and application forms for the licensing of signs on City of Groton property.

WHEREAS, the City of Groton Mayor and Council initially approved “An Ordinance Concerning Licenses to be Issued by the City of Groton for Signs Which are Located on City of Groton Property” at the Mayor and Council meeting held on September 7, 2004; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance was published in *The Day*, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Groton on September 10, 2004 and September 11, 2004; and

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council, at its October 4, 2004 meeting finally approved “An Ordinance Concerning Licenses to be Issued by the City of Groton for Signs which are Located on City of Groton Property”; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance was published in *The Day*, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Groton on October 6, 2004 and October 10, 2004.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that “An Ordinance Concerning Licenses to be Issued by the City of Groton for Signs which are Located on City of Groton Property” passed.

Initially approved: September 7, 2004

Finally approved: October 4, 2004


Dennis L. Popp, Mayor


Debra Patrick, City Clerk