



## Special Called Meeting - Final

July 15, 2024  
8:00 AM

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**B. RES2024-009** Approval of Resolution 2024-009 for the adoption of a moratorium for sixty (60) days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.



# City of Smyrna

## Issue Sheet

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File Number: RES2024-009

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**Agenda Date:** 7/15/2024

**In Control:** City Council

**File Type:** Resolution

**Agenda Section:**  
Formal Business

**Agenda Number:** B.

**Department:** Community Development

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Resolution 2024-009 for the adoption of a moratorium for sixty (60) days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

***Citywide***

**ISSUE AND BACKGROUND:**

Due to a legal challenge, the City Council concludes that it is necessary and desirable to adopt a moratorium for sixty (60) days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs. The moratorium will extend for sixty (60) days beginning July 15, 2024, during which time the City will conduct a legal review of the City's Sign Ordinance.

**RECOMMENDATION / REQUESTED ACTION:**

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2024-009 for the adoption of a moratorium for sixty (60) days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all related documents.

## RESOLUTION 2024-09

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SMYRNA (“CITY”) ADOPTING A MORATORIUM FOR 60 DAYS ON ACCEPTING OR PROCESSING APPLICATIONS SEEKING THE ISSUANCE OF A SIGN PERMIT FOR FREE STANDING SIGNS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, a legal challenge has been made regarding the legality of certain provisions of the Sign Ordinance for the City of Smyrna, at Chapter 82 of the Smyrna Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council concludes that it is necessary and desirable to adopt a moratorium for 60 days on accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs while a legal review of the Sign Ordinance is conducted.

**THEREFORE, IT IS NOW RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SMYRNA, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:**

1. A moratorium is hereby issued prohibiting the City from accepting or processing applications seeking the issuance of a sign permit for free standing signs. The moratorium will extend for 60 days beginning July 15, 2024, during which time the city will conduct a legal review of the City’s Sign Ordinance.
2. This resolution imposes a temporary moratorium and not a final legislative action.
3. **Severability**. To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or nonbinding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.
4. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions**. All City resolutions are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent with the Resolution.
5. **Effective Date**. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

This Resolution was adopted by the Governing Authority of the City of Smyrna, Georgia on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

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Derek Norton, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heather K. Peacon-Corn, City Clerk

CITY SEAL:



Approved as to Form:

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Scott Cochran, City Attorney