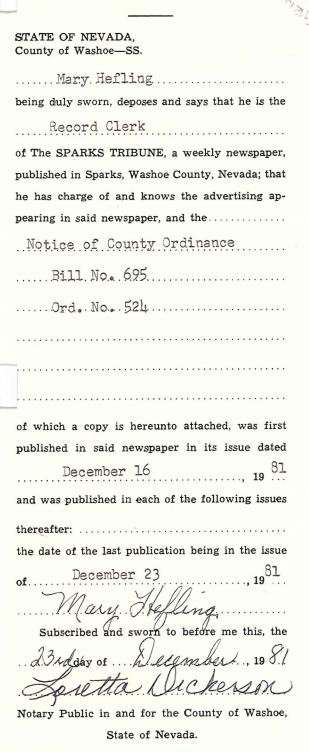
## **Affidavit of Publication**



My Commission expires: October 25, 1984

LORETTA DICKERSON

Notary Public - State of Nevada

Washoe County

My Appointment Expires Oct. 25, 1984

COUNTY ORDINANCE
NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that Bill No. 695,
Ordinance No. 524, amending
Ordinance No. 181 entitled, "An
Ordinance regulating the design,
quality of materials, construction, location, electrification, and maintenance of
all signs and sign structures not
located within a building in the
unincorporated area of Washoe
County; providing for the administration thereof, the
licensing of firms and individuals who construct and-or
place advertising displays, the
establishment and collection of
fees; further providing for the
violation thereof; and other
matters properly relating
thereto" by imposing
moratorium or restructions on
grant of building permits for offpremise signs in Washoe County
pending complete revision of
sign code was adopted on
Tuesday, December 8, 1981, by
Commissioners Farr, Ferrari,
Brown and Underwood.

Typewritten copies of the
Ordinance are available for
inspection by all interested
persons at the office of the

Judi Bailey, County Clerk Pub: Dec. 16, 23, 1981 SUMMARY: Amends Washoe County Ordinance No. 181 by imposing moratorium on grant of building permits for off-premise signs in Washoe County pending complete revision of sign code.

BILL NO. <u>695</u>

ORDINANCE NO. 524

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE DESIGN, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, CONSTRUCTION, LOCATION, ELECTRIFICATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL SIGNS AND SIGN STRUCTURES NOT LOCATED WITHIN A BUILDING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WASHOE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF, THE LICENSING OF FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO CONSTRUCT AND/OR PLACE ADVERTISING DISPLAYS, THE ESTABLISHMENT AND COLLECTION OF FEES; FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO," BY IMPOSING MORATORIUM OR RESTRICTIONS ON GRANT OF BUILDING PERMITS FOR OFF-PREMISE SIGNS IN WASHOE COUNTY PENDING COMPLETE REVISION OF SIGN CODE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County find and declare that the erection of outdoor advertising signs, displays or devices in areas adjacent to the public highways in the unincorporated area of County has been and continues to be a legitimate commercial use of private property; and

WHEREAS, recent complaints from Washoe County citizens concerning the large size and location of such advertising signs, displays and devices and the Board's own investigation require that substantial revision be made to the existing sign code; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and declares that regulations must be adopted to:

- 1. Prevent unreasonable risks to its citizens resulting from the sheer size and location of such advertising signs, displays and devices;
- 2. Prevent the unreasonable distraction of operators of motor vehicles and to preserve the effectiveness of traffic lights, signs and signals; and
- 3. Improve the appearance of the unincorporated area of Washoe County by restricting construction of commercial signs which detract from the natural scenic beauty and aesthetic features of the area; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office has prepared two preliminary drafts of revisions to the sign Code in accordance with the aforementioned findings and direction of the Board which have been submitted to various representatives of the sign industry; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the major sign companies have requested that the existing moratorium be extended in order that they have sufficient time to review the draft and make suggestions for changes to the draft revisions which would be agreeable to all concerned; and

WHEREAS, even the preliminary draft will require revisions to Washoe County Ordinance No. 57, the Land Use Ordinance, prior to adoption;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY DO ORDAIN:

## SECTION 1.

The Uniform Sign Code, 1976 Edition, is hereby amended in Washoe County's Ordinance 181 by adding a new section which shall read as follows:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, no permit authorizing the construction of an off-premise sign carrying commercial advertising shall be issued until Washoe County Ordinance 181 is revised or one hundred twenty (120) days have elapsed, whichever is sooner."

## SECTION 2.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as prescribed by NRS 244.100.

Proposed on the <u>24th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1981.
Proposed by Commissioners <u>Farr, Ferrari, Brown, Underwood & Williams</u>
Passed on the <u>8th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1981.

## Vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Farr, Ferrari, Underwood & Brown

Nays: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: Williams

Chairman

ATTEST:

This Ordinance, shall be in effect from and after the 23rd day of December , 1981.