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6-20-16 Date

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June 23, 2016

Mr. Brad Watson  
City of Leeds, AL  
1040 Park Drive  
Leeds, AL 35094

*Sent via overnight delivery 6-23-16*

RE: Special Exception Request- Bedsole Outdoor LLC

Dear Mr. Watson,

I have been retained as agent for Bedsole Outdoor, LLC to represent them in their request for a special exception use and building permit for the proposed Outdoor Advertising Sign to be situated at Chevron at 1833 Ashville Rd., Leeds, AL.

Our request is to be placed on the agenda of the Leeds Zoning Board of Adjustments Public Hearing scheduled for July 26, 2016. I will be attendance and we may have counsel attend as well.

The revisions made to your sign ordinance on 6-15-15 now allow for special exceptions to be granted subject to meeting defined criteria. This proposed use will meet all criteria set forth in your current ordinance. Further, we have sought and received approval from ALDOT for this location (see attached).

Please review the package as it pertains to the special exception request. Should you require additional information, please email me immediately at greg@gaoutdoor.com.

I understand the actual building permit package will require additional information and we can submit this upon approval of the special exception.

Look forward to working with you on this application.

Best Regards,



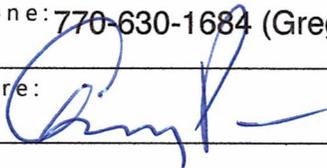
Greg S. Phillips

Attachments

cc: E. Adam Webb, Esq  
Ben Bedsole

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**SPECIAL EXECEPTION APPLICATION FOR THE CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTION SERVICES- ZONING DIVISION**  
 1040 PARK DRIVE, LEEDS, AL 35094 P.205.699.2585 F. 205.699.6558  
[INSPECTIONS@LEEDSALABAMA.GOV](mailto:INSPECTIONS@LEEDSALABAMA.GOV) \* leedsalabama.gov

<b>Part 1. Application</b>	
Name of Applicant: <b>Bedsole Outdoor, LLC.</b>	
Mailing Address: <b>576 Devon Brooke Dr. Woodstock, GA 30188-6710</b>	
Telephone: <b>770-630-1684 (Greg Phillips-Agent)</b>	E-mail: <b>greg@gaoutdoor.com (agent for applicant)</b>
Signature:  <b>Agent for bedsole outdoor LLC</b>	

<b>Part 2. Parcel Data</b>		
Owner of Record: <b>Moore Oil Co., Inc</b>		
Owner Mailing Address: <b>P.O. Box 9717, Birmingham, AL 35215</b>		
Site Address: <b>Chevron SR 25 and I-20 1833 Ashville Rd., Leeds AL 35094</b>		
Tax Parcel ID # <b>2602100004004000</b>	Existing Zoning: <b>B-2</b>	Existing Land Use: <b>Chevron Gas Station</b>

<b>Part 3. Request</b>
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<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	
Application Number:	Date Received:

Received by:	Scheduled Public Hearing Date:



Robert Bentley  
Governor

# ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EAST CENTRAL REGION  
OFFICE OF AREA OPERATIONS ENGINEER  
1020 BANKHEAD HWY., WEST  
P.O. Box 2745  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35202-2745  
Telephone: (205) 328-5820



John R. Cooper  
Transportation Director

May 17, 2016

Mr. Russell Taylor, District 2 Acting Manager  
Alabama Department of Transportation  
6480 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue West  
P.O. Box 56  
Oneonta, Alabama 35121

**Attention: Lee Hathcock  
District Permit Coordinator**

**RE: Bedsole Outdoor, LLC**  
Permit No. 3-2-518  
Outdoor Advertising  
AL-025/US 411 @ M.P. 171.62  
St. Clair County

Dear Mr. Taylor

Attached please find the above referenced **permits approved** for your further use and handling.

If you should have any questions or comments please feel free to contact this office at (205) 581-5612.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Camp, PE  
Area Operations Engineer

By: Charles A. Malone  
Charles A. Malone  
Assistant Area Administrator, Maintenance

RFC/CAM/ajs  
cc: File

*Mr. Malone*



# Alabama Department of Transportation

1409 COLISEUM BOULEVARD, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36110



Robert Bentley  
GOVERNOR

John R. Cooper  
TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR

May 6, 2016

Mr. Robert Camp, Area Operations Engineer  
Alabama Department of Transportation  
East Central Region – Birmingham Area  
P.O. Box 2745  
Birmingham, AL 35202

Re: Outdoor Advertising Permit  
No. 3-2-518  
Shelby County

Dear Sir:

Attached is the approved permit to erect an Outdoor Advertising sign (Form OA No. 1). This permit is in favor of:

<u>SIGN OWNER</u>	<u>PERMIT NO.</u>	<u>CHECK NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Bedsole Outdoor, LLC.	3-2-518	1557	\$25.00

Yours truly,

Stacey N. Glass, P.E.  
Maintenance Engineer

SNG/RAB/slj  
Attachments  
cc: file

4/27/16



Robert Bentley  
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## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EAST CENTRAL REGION – ONEONTA DISTRICT  
OFFICE OF DISTRICT MANAGER  
6480 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE WEST  
P.O. Box 56

ONEONTA, ALABAMA 35121

Telephone: (205) 274-2112

FAX: (205) 274-2114

April 7, 2016



John R. Cooper  
Transportation Director

Mr. Robert F. Camp, P.E.  
Operations Engineer – Birmingham Area  
Alabama Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 2745  
Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2745

RE: Oneonta District / St. Clair County  
Permit No: 3-2-518  
Sign I.D. No: 58-025-171.62 R  
58-620-144.60 R

Attention: Mr. Charles A. Malone

Dear Mr. Camp:

Attached is a permit request from Bedsole Outdoor, LLC to install Outdoor Advertising along AL Hwy. 25 (U.S. 411) and I-20 in St. Clair County. This will be one sign permitted for both AL Hwy. 25 and I-20.

Sincerely,

Russell Taylor  
Acting District Manager

RT/dkm  
Attachments  
C: File



**BEDSOLE OUTDOOR LLC**  
576 DEVON BROOKE DR.  
WOODSTOCK GA 30188-6710

**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.**  
www.wellsfargo.com  
64-22610

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2-1-10

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Alexandra Department of Transportation \$ 25,000.00

25000.00 DOLLARS

MEMO Wash DC Dept of Trans

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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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<u>DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX</u>			
Permit No. <u>OA</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>518</u>
Sign Identification No. <u>58</u>	<u>025</u>	<u>171.62R</u>	
County <u>St. Clair</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>144.60R</u>
	Date of Issue	<u>02-24-16</u>	

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN

The undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of Article 9, Division 3, 23-1-271 through 23-1-288 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended by Act No. 383 of the Regular Session of the State of Alabama Legislature, 1978, an rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, hereby applies to erect an outdoor advertising sign which is to be located within six hundred sixty (660) feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way of a highway on the Interstate or Federal Aid Primary Highway System and furnishes the following information to support this application.

- Applicant's Company Name is BEDSOLE OUTDOOR, LLC
- Applicant's Company Address is 576 DEVON BROOKE DR WOODSTOCK, GA 30188
- Owner's Name is BEDSOLE OUTDOOR, LLC
- Owner's Address is 576 DEVON BROOKE DR. WOODSTOCK GA 30188
- Property Owner's Name is MOORE OIL COMPANY, INC.
- Property Owner's Address is 1800 CENTER POINT PKWAY, Birmingham, AL 35215
- Permission to erect is by: Written Lease , Written Agreement \_\_\_\_\_, Own Property \_\_\_\_\_, Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Interstate Route Number 20, Primary Highway Route: U.S. Number 411, Alabama Number 25
- Milepost Location Number 171.62 (AL 25 / U.S. 411) 144.60 (I-20)  
(To nearest hundredth of a mile, and designate L for left and R for right. Even routes are west to east and odd routes are south to north).
- (a) Adjacent area is zoned: Commercial , Industrial \_\_\_\_\_, Zoning Authority CITY OF LEEDS - B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT  
(b) Adjacent area is unzoned: Commercial \_\_\_\_\_, Industrial \_\_\_\_\_, Distance to nearest premises limits of commercial or industrial activity is 100 feet. Kind of commercial or industrial activity is MOORE OIL, INC. N/A CHEVRON

- 11. Sign to be located inside  , outside \_\_\_\_\_ zoning authority of incorporated city.
- 12. Size of sign: Height 15'6" , Length 36' , Square feet one direction 378 .
- 13. Sign to be: Single Faced \_\_\_\_\_ , Double Faced \_\_\_\_\_ , Back to Back \_\_\_\_\_ , V-Type  .
- 14. Message to be Changeable  , Permanent \_\_\_\_\_ . If permanent designate subject of message: \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Distance to nearest sign described in 23-1-274 (3) of the Code of Alabama, 1975, is 1000 feet.
- 16. Is sign to be lighted? Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. Sign will meet all requirements of 23-1-274 (1), (2) and (3) of the Code of Alabama, 1975, with regard to size spacings, lighting, and general requirements? Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. Sign will not encroach on highway right-of-way.
- 19. Applicant must erect the sign described in this permit within twelve (12) months from the date of issue.
- 20. Access to a sign structure located adjacent to interstate or primary freeway where access is controlled or denied for erection, maintenance, changing the message or for any other reason, must be from other than State right-of-way.
- 21. There is enclosed a check or money order payable to the Alabama Department of Transportation for twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for the location covered by this permit. A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) will be submitted for each succeeding year thereafter.

Failure by the applicant to conform to the provisions of this permit or any false statement or representation made by the applicant will be cause to revoke this permit and the permit fee forfeited, making the structure become illegal and shall be removed in accordance with 23-1-278 of the Code of Alabama, 1975.

Date 1/31/16 Signature of Applicant [Signature]  
 Title Member

Permit for erection of the above-described sign is hereby approved.

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

APPROVAL

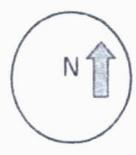
[Signature] Date 2-24-16  
 District Engineer

[Signature]  
 Maintenance Engineer

[Signature] Date 4-21-16  
 Division Engineer

Date 5-06-2016

Nearest OA Sign 5,560'



VB On Ramp

WB Off Ramp

-20 WB

I-20 WB

-20 EB

I-20 EB

AL  
25

MP 144.60

Nearest OA Sign on I-20 East of AL 25  
1445 ft.

EB Off Ramp

Nearest OA Sign On I-20 West of AL 25  
3,448 ft.

75Ft.

75Ft.

95 Ft.

Denied Access Fence

25 Ft.

Proposed OA Sign

MP 171.62

100Ft.

Car Wash

75Ft.

Chevron Station

R  
O  
W

45Ft.

12'

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edsole Outdoor, LLC  
A Sign 3-2-518  
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Weaver Street

Nearest OA Sign 5280' +





04-3-2-518  
Sign ID 58-025-171.62R  
St. Clair County  
Bedsole Outdoor, LLC  
500 Ft. View Northbound  
AL 25 MP 171.62

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St. Clair County  
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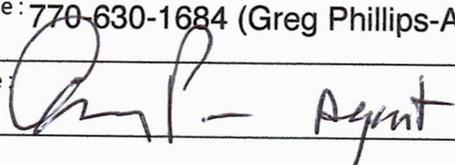
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AL 25 MP 171.62

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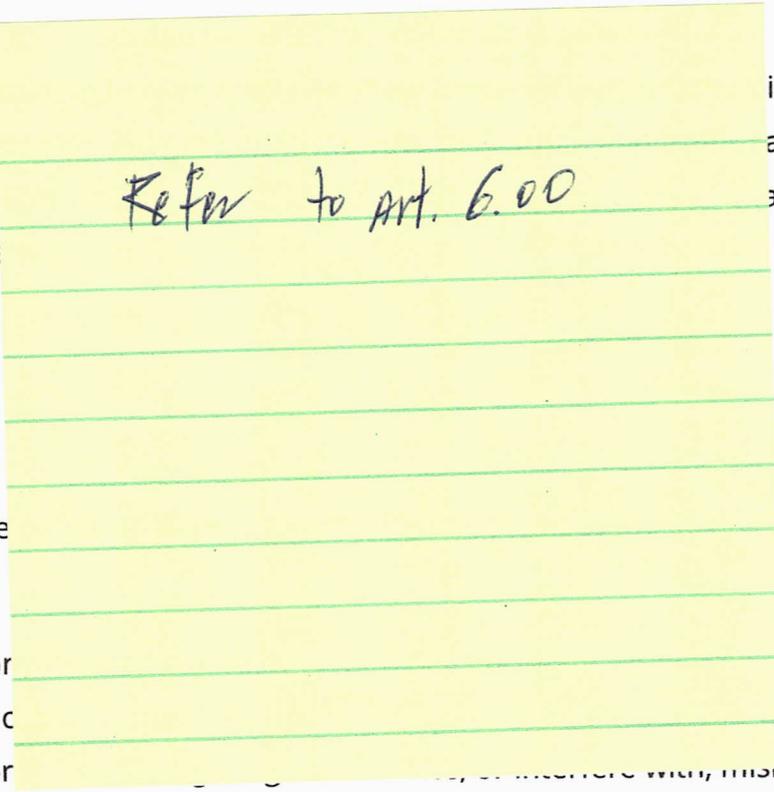
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§ 1.00. - Purpose and intent.

The purpose of these sign regulations is to ensure the City of Leeds, to maintain its ability to attract sources of economic development, to minimize the possible adverse effects of signs, and to ensure the fair and consistent enforcement of these regulations.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)



§ 2.00. - Prohibited signs.

Except as provided for exempt signs, the following signs are prohibited in the City of Leeds, Alabama.

- (1) Any sign erected or maintained at any location where the shape, symbol, color, form or character of the sign or its use or may be confused with any authorized sign, or which may confuse or disrupt traffic safety or flow.
- (2) Any sign incorporating any noisy mechanical device (whistles, horns, sirens, or any other noisy audible devices) or emitting smoke or steam;
- (3) Any sign of any type or support thereof placed, extending, or projecting on a public right-of-way or located or projecting beyond a property line, unless expressly authorized.
- (4) Any flashing, revolving, moving, reflecting, or animated sign, beacons, streamers, pennants, or propellers, electronic reader boards, illuminated tubing, or strings of lights; revolving, moving, reflecting or otherwise.
- (5) Any sign located so that it substantially interferes with the view necessary for motorists to proceed safely through intersections or to enter onto or exit from public streets or private drives.
- (6) Any sign with illegal, obscene, or prurient words, scenes, or graphics.
- (7) Any sign painted on or attached to a utility pole, rock, tree, telephone booth (except telephone information may be displayed), automated bank teller (except telephone information may be displayed), bench, or the like.
- (8) Any circular or throwaway flyer attached to vehicles or mounted on any object outdoors.
- (9) Any sign that blocks a fire escape, door, window, parking or loading aisle or space.
- (10) Any unsafe sign.
- (11)

Freestanding signs; searchlight stands; hot air or gas-filled balloons, or umbrellas used for advertising; and similar signs.

(12) Guy wire and similar insubstantial supports of a projecting object.

(13) A sign display on a vehicle parked primarily for the purpose of advertising a business, product or service.

(14) Illuminated tubing or strings of light that outline property lines, sales areas, rooflines, building lines, and similar areas. Illumination of architectural features of a building, such as doors, windows, and similar features shall not be prohibited.

(15) Any unlawful sign.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

### § 3.00. - Portable signs.

#### Policy Statement:

In order to comply with the provisions of the Southern Building Code Congress International Sections 3108 & 1707, no portable sign shall be allowed except as follows:

- A) Permanent Portable Sign: As defined in Section 2.0 [of Article IV] (Shall be subject to the fee as prescribed in the City Fee schedule) Such permit(s) shall be renewed on or before January 1st of each year
- B) Temporary Portable Sign: As defined in Section 2.0 [of Article IV], (MM), shall be subject to an annual fee as prescribed in the city fee schedule which shall not be valid beyond December 31 of the year in which it was issued. A temporary Portable Sign must receive an erection permit each time it is moved to a new location. There will be no charge for the erection permit. The erection permit shall not be valid for a period in excess of 90 days each calendar year per person.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

### § 4.00. - General regulations applying to all signs.

In any zoning district within the City of Leeds, the following regulations shall apply:

- A. No sign shall be erected or maintained at any location where, by reason of its position, working, illumination, shape, symbol, color, form or character, it may obstruct, impair, obscure, or interfere with the view. Such signs shall be designed and located in such a manner that would prevent them from being mistaken for any authorized traffic sign, signal, or device. They shall not interfere with, mislead, confuse or disrupt traffic flow or traffic safety.

- B. Signs incorporating any noisy device (whistles, horns, noise makers, sirens, or any other noisy audible devices) are expressly prohibited within the City of Leeds.
- C. No sign of any type or foundation or support thereof shall be placed in a public street or its right-of-way.
- D. No sign with flashing, traveling or animated illumination shall be permitted in any zone district within the City, with the exception of permanent signs located in commercial districts providing public service information such as, but not limited to: time, date, temperature, news or weather.
- E. No illuminated sign, other than a permanent subdivision sign, shall be permitted within fifty feet (50') of any residential zone district of the City.
- F. The area around all signs shall be kept clean and free of trash and all vegetation, unless such area is a part of the landscaping associated with the sign. In case of which, such shall be well maintained. In addition, it shall be the responsibility of the sign owner/lessor or property owner to maintain all signs in a safe and proper operating manner at all times.
- G. No person shall park any vehicle or trailer on a public street or public parking area for the sole purpose of advertising.
- H. Snipe signs shall not be permitted in any zone district, except as may be authorized by the City.
- I. No permanent freestanding pole mounted ground sign of any type shall be permitted within thirty-five feet (35') of the intersection of the pavement edge lines to two (2) public roads, unless the same is mounted at a height of at least ten feet (10') from the ground level at the base of the sign and upon poles or other means of support which [are adequately designed and constructed to support said sign.]
- J. No sign shall occupy any portion of a parking space or aisle.
- K. All signs shall conform to City Building Codes and/or common engineering practices, which provides a comprehensive set of construction standards for signs. These specifications include wind loads, seismic loads, acceptable supports, allowable stresses and electrical wiring and other components.
- L. Professional signs for Home Occupations, where permitted, shall not exceed three (3) square feet in area. Such sign may be either a wall mounted or ground sign. In the case of ground signs, none shall be located any closer than twenty feet (20') from the street right-of-way.
- M. All signs located along primary or interstate highways shall meet all the regulations of the Alabama Department of Transportation, and shall require a permit from ADOT before a permit is issued by the City.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 5.00. - Exempt signs, permit exemptions.

- A. Except as may be otherwise provided for elsewhere in this Ordinance, the following signs are exempt from sign permit requirements and the provisions of this Ordinance, subject, to meeting all the applicable regulations, codes and any City policies concerning such signs.
1. Permanent or temporary signs required to be posted by law.
  2. Permanent or temporary warning and no trespassing signs (snipe) signs shall not be allowed.
  3. Permanent or temporary signs established by, or by order of, any government agency or official body.
  4. Signs indicating the location of bus stops, taxi stands and similar transportation facilities.
  5. Signs providing information concerning the location or use of accessory off-street parking facilities and/or loading facilities.
  6. Permanent or temporary signs required for the control of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
  7. Temporary holiday signs, banners, displays and decorations.
  8. Routine sign maintenance and repair, including changeable copy signs.
  9. Decorative flags and bunting for citywide celebrations, conventions and commemorations when authorized by the City for a specified time period.
  10. One (1) construction sign per street frontage, located on the property, shall be allowed where building is actually in progress under a current building permit. This shall be a ground sign not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area, be non-illuminated and may include the names of persons and firms performing such services, labor or supplying materials to the premises. Such sign must be removed before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued.
  11. Flags, banners or insignias of a governmental, religious, charitable or fraternal organization.
  12. Integral, decorative or architectural features of buildings, except letters, trademarks, or moving parts.
  13. Directory signs located inside the buildings they serve.
  14. Signs not exceeding three (3) square feet in area and bearing only property numbers, post office box numbers or names of the occupants of the premises to which the sign pertains.
  15. Window signs located in commercial zone districts, advertising activities, services, goods or products available within the building, with a total area of twenty percent (20%) or less of the window glass surface area.
  16. A permit shall be obtained by the responsible individual(s) or party/parties, from the City of Leeds, to post all political campaign posters, signs, etc. provided that they do not create traffic hazards as a result of poor or improper placement. The said individual(s) or

party/parties shall remove all such signs, posters, etc. within seventy-two (72) hours of the end of the general or run-off election or political event to which they pertain. Such signs shall not be illuminated in any manner whatsoever. [Snipe signs shall not be allowed]

17. A permit shall be required, from the City of Leeds, to post signs, which advertise yard sale or garage sales. Such signs shall not be located in a manner, which would obstruct or otherwise interfere with motorist's vision. These signs shall not exceed four (4) square feet in sign area and shall not be illuminated in any manner. (Snipe signs shall not be allowed).
18. Temporary, non-illuminated signs, located in residential and agricultural districts, not to exceed four (4) square feet in sign area, pertaining to agricultural products raised on the premises. (Snipe signs shall not be allowed).
19. Temporary, non-illuminated real estate signs, which are used to offer for sale, lease, or rent of property upon which such signs is located. (Snipe signs shall not be allowed).



Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 6.00. - Outdoor advertising signs regulations.

Outdoor Advertising Sign shall not be permitted in the City of Leeds, except upon approval of the Board of Zoning Adjustment and subject to the requirements set forth below:

1. Outdoor Advertising Signs located on interstates, which are under State, and Federal authority shall be required to meet their regulations pertaining to sign placement.
2. Outdoor Advertising Signs shall be erected no closer than one thousand (1,000) feet to another legally erected outdoor advertising sign, as measured along the same side of the street or highway.
3. Outdoor Advertising Signs on opposite side of the street or highway shall be no closer than five hundred (500) feet to one another.
4. Outdoor Advertising Signs may not be located within three hundred (300) feet of any residential district as measured along the frontage of the same side of the street or highway to which the sign is to be viewed.
- N/A 5. Existing Outdoor Advertising Signs must comply with these regulations when removed, modified or replaced.
6. All signs shall be maintained at the level of appearance originally held at the time of erection.
- N/A 7. Wattage for Outdoor Advertising Sign shall not exceed four hundred (400) watts per bulb.
8. Application/permit fee will be assessed for each outdoor advertising sign in accordance with these regulations.
- 9.

Displays shall not include live, animated or pictorial displays, or any material depicting, describing or relating to "specified sexual activities" or "specified anatomical areas".

10. An annual permit fee, as described in the City of Leeds fee schedule, shall be required for each Outdoor Advertising Sign structure. Such fees shall be paid by January 31st of each year; and no additional permits for any sign structure for which there are any outstanding annual fees pending.
11. The Board of Zoning Adjustments shall not permit billboards outside of an area along and within one thousand (1000) feet of the Interstate 20 corridor.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 8.00. - Signs located in residential districts.

The following types of signs are permitted in Residential Zone Districts of the City of Leeds, subject to specified requirements, unless otherwise provided for elsewhere in this Ordinance. See § 4.00 Regulations Pertaining to Signs and § 5.00, Exempt Signs, Permit Exemptions.

- A. For detached or attached single-family, two-family and multi-family dwelling districts, nameplates, not to exceed three (3) square feet in area shall be permitted for each dwelling unit. Such nameplates shall indicate the name and address of the premises, the occupants thereof and announcements only. (The indirect illumination of nameplates is permissible).
- B. Professional signs for Home Occupations, where permitted, shall not exceed three (3) square feet in area. These may be mounted on walls or placed upon the ground; such shall not be illuminated in any manner. Such signs shall be of neutral colors or earth tones. Ground mounted signs shall not be located closer than twenty feet (20') from any street right-of-way.
- C. Temporary, not-illuminated ground signs advertising yard sales, garage sales or the sale of personal property shall not exceed four (4) square feet in area and shall not be located closer than twenty feet (20') from any street right-of-way.
- D. Permanent subdivision identification signs shall be ground mounted, with an area not to exceed forty-eight (48) square feet. These may include a masonry wall, landscaping and other similar materials or features, designed and intended to form a display for subdivision or neighborhood identification. If illuminated, such signs shall utilize indirect illumination only. The principal entrance to the subdivision and the main street leading to the subdivision shall each adorn one (1) such sign. These shall not be located closer than fifteen feet (15') from intersection of the subdivision entrance.
- E.

Temporary subdivision identification signs shall be ground mounted with an area not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet. If illuminated, such signs shall utilize indirect illumination only. The principal entrance to the subdivision and the main street leading to the subdivision may each have one (1) such sign. Temporary signs shall be located no closer than fifteen feet (15') from the property line of the street to which it is directed and shall not be used concurrently with the permanent subdivision sign referred to in D above.

- F. For multi-family and group dwellings, identification signs shall not exceed nine (9) square feet in sign area. Such signs shall indicate the name and address of the premises and the name of the management only. No sign shall be flushed with the principal building. Any lighted sign shall have indirect illumination only.
- G. Permanent places of worship, schools, or other public building bulletin boards or identification signs, including manually-operated, changeable copy signs shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area. These may be illuminated or non-illuminated and shall be located no closer than fifteen feet from a street right-of-way.
- H. Signs permitted in planned residential districts shall be determined during the site plan review process.

NOTE: Billboards and signs containing animated, traveling or flashing lights are prohibited in all residential zone districts of the City of Leeds.

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#### § 9.00. - Signs permitted in the B-2 general business district.

Permanent free-standing, on premise, pole-mounted or ground sign shall be permitted, limited to one (1) such sign per street frontage of a street or lot, regardless of the number of businesses located on the lot. The following may be included:

- A. A permanent, on premise, free-standing, pole-mounted sign, illuminated or non-illuminated, shall not exceed thirty-five (35) square feet of sign area, plus 1.2 square feet of sign area per 1,000 square feet of lot area, but in no event shall such sign exceed 48 square feet. Such sign shall not exceed a height of twenty feet (20') from the ground level to the highest point on the sign. It shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet (10) from the ground level to the lowest point on the sign and shall be located no closer than five feet (5') from the edge of the property line. No sign shall be located on any public right-of-way.
- B. A permanent, on premise, ground sign, either illuminated or non-illuminated, may include a masonry wall, landscaping and similar and similar features or materials. Such sign shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet in sign area and fifteen feet (15') in height measured from the

ground level to the highest point on the sign. It shall be located no closer than five feet (5') from the property line. No sign shall be located in any public right-of-way.

- C. In addition to either A or B mentioned above, attached, permanent, on premise signs, illuminated or non-illuminated, shall be permitted to one (1) business, per street frontage; and, the following may be included:
1. A wall or fascia sign, either illuminated or non-illuminated shall be limited to one (1) per street frontage, provided no other signs for such establishment are located more than thirty-six inches (36") from the face of the building upon which it is mounted. It shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in sign area and shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet (10') from the lowest point on the sign to the ground level or sidewalk on which it stands. Such signs shall not project into any public right-of-way. [See Illustration of sign type below].
  2. A Projecting Sign either illuminated or non-illuminated, shall be attached to the wall of the establishment it serves, provided no other signs for such establishment as located on the same building wall; and, such sign shall not project outward more than thirty-six inches (36") from the face of the building upon which it is mounted. It shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area and shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet (10') from the lowest point on the sign to the ground level or sidewalk on which it stands.
  3. A roof sign, illuminated or non-illuminated, limited to one (1) per street frontage, per establishment, shall be located within a selected sign able area. A sign able area, for a roof sign, shall not extend beyond the dimensions of a mansard roof, penthouse, or, an architectural roof element on which it is located. See definition of Sign able Area in the definition section of this Article. The vertical dimensions of a sign able wall area shall not exceed sign feet (6') in height. The size of such signs shall not exceed forty percent (40%) of the sign able wall area.

NOTE: Billboards shall not be permitted in the B-2 General Business District.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

#### § 10.00. - Signs located in shopping centers and office parks.

1. There shall be an architectural harmony and unity of signs within a shopping center of unified business center on a property including an office park. The sign type, color scheme, size and method of illumination (if illuminated), shall be coordinated and compatible with the architecture of the center.
- 2.

Either a permanent, freestanding pole mounted or ground sign, illuminated or non-illuminated, shall be permitted to identify a shopping center. In addition, wall or fascia signs for each establishment within the center shall be permitted, with all signs subject to the height, dimensional requirements and restrictions of Section 9.00 A and B for permanent, freestanding, pole mounted or ground signs.

3. Billboards shall not be permitted O-1 Office Building District.
4. Canopies, Marquees, or fixed awnings, subject to the provisions of the City Building Code.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 11.00. - Signs permitted in the I-1 light industrial district and the I-2 heavy industrial districts.

Permanent, free-standing, on premise, pole-mounted or ground signs shall be permitted, limited to one (1) such sign per street frontage of a street or lot, regardless of the number of businesses located on the lot. The following may be included:

- A. A permanent, on premise, free-standing, pole-mounted sign, illuminated or non-illuminated, shall not exceed thirty-five (35) square feet in sign area plus 1.2 square feet of sign area per 1,000 square feet of lot area, but in no event shall such sign exceed forty-eight (48) square feet in sign area, Such sign shall not exceed a height of thirty feet (30') from the ground level to the highest point on the sign. It shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet (10') from the ground level to the lowest point on the sign and shall not be located any closer than fifteen feet (15') from the edge of the property line. No sign shall be located on any public right-of-way. [See illustration of sign type in 9.00 A of the B-2 General Business District]
- B. A permanent, on premise, ground sign, either illuminated or non-illuminated may include a masonry wall, landscaping and similar features and materials. Such sign shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet in sign area and fifteen feet (15') in height measured from the ground level to the highest point on the sign. Such sign shall not be located any closer than fifteen feet (15') from the property line. No sign shall be located on any public right-of-way.
- C. In addition to either A or B mentioned above, attached, permanent, on premise signs, illuminated or not-illuminated, shall be limited to one (1) per business, per street frontage, and the following may be included:
  1. A Wall or Fascia sign either illuminated or non-illuminated, shall be attached to the wall of the establishment it serves, provided no other signs for such establishment are located on the same building wall. Such signs shall not extend above the roof line or project more than twelve inches (12") outward from the building upon which it is mounted. Wall signs, which

identify the rear entrance of the principal building, may be permitted, provided it is non-illuminated and does not exceed ten (10) square feet in sign area. [See illustration of sign type in C.1 of the B-2 General Business District]

2. A Projecting Sign either illuminated or non-illuminated, shall be attached to the wall of the establishment it serves, provided no other signs for such establishment are located on the same building wall; and, it shall not project outward more than thirty-six inches (36") from the face of the building upon which it is mounted. It shall not exceed sixteen (15) square feet in sign area and shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet (10') from the lowest point on the sign to the ground level or sidewalk on which it stands. (See illustration of sign type C. (2) of the B-2 General Business District]

D. Billboards shall not be permitted in the I-1 and I-2 Industrial Districts.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

#### § 12.00. - Signs permitted in the A-1 agricultural district.

The following signs shall be permitted in the A-1 Agricultural District:

- A. Those types of signs permitted in the Residential Districts as listed in § 8.00 of this Article.
- B. Signs customarily incidental to uses permitted in the Agricultural District.

NOTE: Also, see § 5.00, of this Article, Exempt Signs, Permit Exemptions and § 4.00, Regulations Pertaining to All Signs.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

#### § 13.00. - Construction and maintenance of signs.

All signs shall comply with the following construction and maintenance requirements and regulations:

- A. All signs shall conform to the City of Leeds Building and other construction codes. These specifications include wind loads, vibration resistance, seismic loads, acceptable supports, allowable stresses, materials and electrical wiring and components.
- B. All signs and all components thereof, including structural supports, shall be kept in a state of good repair.
- C. The areas surrounding the base of any freestanding sign shall be kept clean of trash, debris and undergrowth.
- D.

No person may, for the purpose of increasing or enhancing the visibility of any sign, damage, trim, destroy or remove any trees, shrubs or other vegetation within any right-of-way or on any area where landscaping is required under City regulations, unless express written authorization is obtained from the agency having jurisdiction over the said right(s)-of-way.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 14.00. - Required permits, fees and inspections.

A. Permits Required:

1. Except where this Article explicitly exempts a sign, all signs erected shall require a sign permit issued by the City Building Inspector and fee as indicated in the fee schedule.
2. Whether a sign is exempt or not, an electrical permit shall be required for all illuminated signs.
3. All Outdoor Advertising Sign to be located within six hundred and sixty feet (660') of the nearest edge of the right-of-way of a highway on the Interstate or National Highway System - Urban and Rural Routes, shall file an application for a permit with the State of Alabama Highway Department as required by the Highway Beautification Act - Outdoor Advertising.

B. Application Forms:

1. Each application for a sign permit shall include the following:
  - a. The name, signature and address of the property owner or the authorized agent of the property owner and that of the sign contractor.
  - b. The address of the property owner where the sign is to be located.
  - c. The lot area, sign district, zoning district and principal land use(s) on the lot where the sign is to be erected.
  - d. A complete description of the sign(s) to be erected, including, but not limited to, the number, type, method of illumination (if illuminated), size, height, etc.
  - e. A scaled drawing of the sign and a plot plan showing the location of each sign on the lot. All other details, sufficient for the Building Inspector to determine compliance with the requirements of this Article, which may include a building elevation, survey or other drawings or any documentation deemed satisfactory by the City of Leeds to assess a permit for the sign.

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§ 15.00. - Issuance denial.

When a permit is denied by the Building Inspector, he or she shall serve a written notice to the concerned applicant explaining in detail the reason or reasons why such denial was issued. A copy of the said statement shall be made as an attachment to the permit application.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 16.00. - Appeals of permit denial.

An appeal, concerning the denial of a permit, may be taken to the Zoning Board of Adjustment by the concerned applicant.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 17.00. - Permit fees.

Applications for permits shall be filed with the City Building Inspector, together with a permit fee, as specified by the Building Inspector, for each sign, in accordance with this Ordinance. The building permit fees shall be determined by the City in the same manner as the fees for building permits. Off-Premises Advertising signs shall be subject to annual permit fee as designated in the City-Fee Schedule.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 18.00. - Inspection of signs.

The person erecting, altering, relocating, enlarging or converting any sign shall notify the Building Inspector of the completion of such work for which permits were required and issued. See § 5.00, of this Article, Exempt Signs, Permit Exemptions.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 19.00. - Unlawful signs.

Every sign in the City of Leeds shall be maintained in good structural condition at all times. The Building Inspector may inspect and shall have the authority to order the painting; repair, alteration, movement or removal of signs, which are dilapidated or abandoned, or which constitute a physical hazard to public safety. Any repair, painting, alteration, relocation or removal shall be at the sign owner's expense. See § 2.00 and § 20.00 of this Article below.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 20.00. - Confiscation of signs located on public right-of-way.

Any sign installed, erected or placed on a public right-of-way, except in conformance with the requirements of this Ordinance, shall be forfeited to the public and subject to confiscation following proper written notification of such violation to the property owner and/or sign owner. In addition to the other remedies provided for under this Article, the City of Leeds shall have the right to recover from the owner or person placing the sign, the full cost of removal and disposal.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 21.00. - Abandoned signs.

Except as may otherwise be provided for in this Article, any sign that is located on property which becomes vacant and is occupied for a time period of four (4) months or more or any sign which pertains to a time, event or purpose which no longer applies, shall be deemed to have been abandoned. Permanent signs applicable to a business, temporarily suspended because of a change in ownership or management, shall not be deemed abandoned unless the property remains vacant for a period of nine (9) months or more. An abandoned sign is prohibited and shall be removed by the owner of the sign or owner of the premises.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 22.00. - Misleading signs.

All signs, for business and other commercial or industrial establishments that are no longer in operation, shall be removed within ninety (90) days of the disuse of such establishment. The removal of such misleading signs shall be the responsibility of the owner of that sign.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 23.00. - Notification.

All notices mailed by the Building Inspector shall be sent by Certified Mail. Any time period, provided in this Section, shall be deemed to commence of the date of the receipt of the certified mail. The notice shall be mailed to the owner of the property, on which the sign is located, as shown on the latest available tax records and maps, as well as the occupant, which the sign serves. Any person or persons with an interest in the sign or the property may appeal the determination of the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector's order of the removal of the sign or the measures necessary to bring the sign into

compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance may be appealed with the City of Zoning Board of Adjustment in writing. This application must be filed within thirty (30) days of the date the Building Inspector's notice for the removal of a sign/sign(s) was mailed.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 24.00. - Removal of sign.

The Building Inspector shall order the removal of any sign that endangers public safety. Signs that are abandoned, dangerous, materially inadequate, electrically or structurally defective; signs for which not permits have been approved and issued; failure to renew permit, etc. shall be cited for violations. The Building Inspector shall issue a detailed description of the violation or violations and advise that these be corrected within a period of thirty (30) days. Failure on the part of the party or parties notified of such violations to rectify all the cited violations shall result in the removal of the sign(s) in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. Any sign installed or placed within the City, except in conformance with the requirements of this Ordinance, shall be forfeited to the public, and shall be subject to confiscation. In addition to other remedies provided under this Article, the City shall have the right to recover, from the owner or person placing such a sign, the full cost of removal and disposal as described in § 20.00 above.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 25.00. - Annual inspection.

The Building Inspector shall inspect annually, or at such other times as he deems necessary, each sign or other advertising structure regulated by this chapter for the purpose of ascertaining whether the same is secure or insecure, and whether it is in need of removal or repair.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)

§ 26.00. - Right of entry.

Whenever necessary to make an inspection to enforce any of the provisions of this code, or whenever the Building Inspector has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in any building or upon any premises any condition or code violation which renders such building, structure, premises, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems unsafe, dangerous or hazardous, the Building Inspector shall have the authority to enter such building, structure or premises at all reasonable times to inspect the same or to perform any duty imposed upon the Building Inspector by this code. If such building or premises are occupied, the Building Inspector shall first present proper credentials and request entry. If such building,

structure, or premises are unoccupied, the Building Inspector shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other persons having charge or control of such and request entry. If entry is refused, the Building Inspector shall have recourse to every remedy provided by law to secure entry.

When the Building Inspector shall have first obtained a proper inspection warrant or other remedy provided by law to secure entry, no owner, occupant or any other person or persons having charge, care or control of any building, structure, or premises shall fail or neglect, after proper request is made as herein provided to promptly permit entry therein by the owner of Building Inspector for the purpose of inspection and examination pursuant to this Ordinance.

(Ord. No. 2015-06-06, 6-15-2015)