

June 7, 2023

Cincinnati City Council  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Dear Members of Council:

We are transmitting herewith an Ordinance captioned as follows:

**MODIFYING** Title XIV “Zoning Code of the City of Cincinnati” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by repealing and reordaining the provisions of Sections 1427-26 “Sandwich Board Sign Regulations” and Section 1437-09 “Development Standards in UD Overlay Districts,” to allow the placement of sandwich board signs in the Urban Design Overlay Districts of College Hill, Hyde Park, and Mt. Airy neighborhoods.

Summary:

On October 11, 2022, Cincinnati City Council approved permitting sandwich board signs in Urban Design Overlay Districts (UDOD) in which they were previously prohibited, allowing neighborhoods with UDODs to “opt in” for allowing them if so desired. Each neighborhood must individually seek a text amendment to permit sandwich board signs in their UDODs. Since the approval of sandwich board signs in Mt. Washington, three additional communities reached out to Vice Mayor Kearney to sponsor an ordinance permitting sandwich boards in their UDODs, including:

- College Hill
- Hyde Park (Hyde Park Square)
- Mt. Airy

The City Planning Commission recommended the following on June 2, 2023 to City Council:

**APPROVE** the proposed text amendments as identified in Exhibit B modifying Title XIV, “Zoning Code of the City of Cincinnati” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, by **REPEALING AND REORDAINING** the provisions of Section 1437-07 “Applications Subject to Review,” and Section 1437-09 “Development Standards in UD Overlay Districts,” to allow the placement of sandwich board signs in Urban Design Overlay Districts in the College Hill, Hyde Park, and Mt. Airy neighborhoods.

**APPROVE** including UDOD #11, Hyde Park East, into the Exhibit B ordinance.

Motion to Approve: Mr. Samad

Ayes:

Mr. Stallworth  
Mr. Eby  
Ms. Kearney  
Mr. Samad  
Ms. Sessler  
Ms. Long  
Ms. Beltran

Seconded: Ms. Sessler

THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



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