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LEGAL NOTICE ZONING BOARD – CITY OF STAMFORD

Application 224-23- Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of the City of Stamford, CT will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, **September 9, 2024** at **6:30pm** through a web and phone meeting to consider the application of the City of Stamford's Zoning Board for a Text Change to the Stamford Zoning Regulations intended to amend Section 12.L. by adding a new subsection 12.L.3 to add standards for charging stations with electronic displays.

Amend Section 12.L of the City of Stamford, CT Zoning Regulations by adding a new Subsection 12.L.3, to add standards for charging stations with electronic screens as follows:

12.L.3 Charging Stations with Electronic Displays

- a. Charging stations equipped with internally illuminated electronic screens on one or both sides of the charging stations shall be permitted as an accessory use as-of-right in the B-D, C-D, C-N, C-B, C-L, C-G, C-C, C-I, CSC-D, IP-D, HT-D, M-D, M-L, and M-G Zoning Districts. Charging stations equipped with internally illuminated electronic screens that are located inside parking structures and that are not visible to the public are permitted in any zoning district.
- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12.L.2(g) above, electronic screens on charging stations shall be exempt from the Sign Regulations provided in Section 13.
- c. Charging stations with internally illuminated electronic screens are subject to the following restrictions.
- (1) Such stations all be located within a parking lot serving a commercial use, and no more than four charging stations shall be permitted per Parking Area devoted to each commercial use located on a Lot;
- Such stations shall be setback a minimum of 50 feet from any residential, property line or public right of way;
- (3) Such stations shall be no larger than 8 feet tall and 4 feet wide;
- (4) The electronic screens on either face of the charging station shall not exceed 9 square feet in area;
- (5) The electronic screens shall have content refresh rates of no less than every eight (8) seconds;
- (6) The images and messages shown on the internally illuminated electronic screens shall be static and shall not contain any audio effects;
- (7) The images and messages shown on the electronic screens may contain advertisements for off-site activities, uses, and/or businesses;
- (8) The electronic screens shall utilize automatic dimming technology, as certified by the manufacturer, and displays shall not be so bright as to cause undue glare during any time of day or night;
- (9) The hours of operation for the displays shall coincide with the underlying land use's hours of operation, if any, for the principal use to which the station is accessory;
- (10) No electronic screen shall be of such intensity or brilliance as to impair the vision of a motor vehicle driver or to otherwise interfere with the driver's operation of a motor vehicle; and
- (11) Charging stations and associated equipment, including but not limited to protective bollards, shall not encroach into the minimum dimensions for parking spaces as required under Section 12.A.1.

Details regarding how to access the meeting will be posted on the City of Stamford Zoning Board webpage (www.stamfordct.gov/zoning) in advance of the Public Hearing.

At the above time and place all interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard. The hearing may be continued to such time and place as will be announced by the Zoning Board. Hearing impaired persons wishing to attend this meeting that require an interpreter may make arrangements by contacting the Department of Social Services administration office at 977-4050 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting.

ATTEST: DAVID STEIN CHAIRMAN, ZONING BOARD CITY OF STAMFORD, CT

Dated at the City of Stamford, CT, this 28th day of August 2024