

**TOWN OF MORRISON, COLORADO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ORDINANCE NO. 490**

**AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY WAIVING CERTAIN
REQUIREMENTS OF THE MORRISON MUNICIPAL CODE
CONCERNING SIGNS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Morrison is a Colorado home rule municipality operating under a Charter approved by the electorate pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and governed by its elected Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has authority pursuant to the Home Rule Charter and C.R.S. §31-16-101, *et seq.* to adopt and enforce all ordinances; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of this authority, the Board of Trustees has previously enacted provisions in the Morrison Municipal Code governing the size, location, construction and illumination of signs; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID 19 pandemic, the Governor of the state of Colorado, through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, has imposed a stay-at-home order which, while permitting certain businesses to remain open for pickup, delivery and walk-up service, the effect of this order is to seriously impede the ability of such businesses to remain viable; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes that businesses which are restricted to take-out, delivery and walk-up service now have a special need to advise the public of the availability of such service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Morrison, Colorado:

Section 1. Temporary Waiver Enacted. The Board of Trustees hereby declares a temporary waiver of otherwise applicable sign code regulations, applicable only to businesses within the Town which are permitted by the Governor's stay-at-home order to continue to operate pickup, delivery and walk-up service. This temporary waiver allows additional signage for such businesses under the following restrictions. Any such additional signage:

- A. must be placed on or affixed to property of the business itself, or on an immediately adjacent sidewalk during business hours only, but may not be placed in a manner which presents a hazard to the public;
- B. may not exceed a total of 32 square feet in addition to all other signage permitted for the business;
- C. may not be illuminated; and
- D. shall be exempt from customary permit fees.

Section 3. Enforcement. The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Town Manager to implement the provisions of this Ordinance and to make administrative decisions concerning its interpretation and administration. When, as, and if the state of Colorado restrictions are lifted such as to allow regular indoor service at any such business, the additional signage permitted by this Ordinance for such business shall be promptly removed. This Ordinance shall terminate on June 1, 2020, unless repealed, amended or extended prior to that date.

Section 4. Emergency Declared; Effective Date. Pursuant to Section 3.10(a) of the Home Rule Charter, the Board of Trustees hereby declares that an emergency exists requiring immediate effectiveness of this Ordinance; specifically that the constraints placed upon businesses by the COVID 19 pandemic and the Governor's stay-at-home orders in response thereto require emergency action by the Board in the manner contained herein. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

TOWN OF MORRISON:

Sean K. Forey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

Introduced, moved, and finally adopted by a vote of 6 in favor and 0 against, this 21st day of April 2020.

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