

Chapter 21 SIGN CODE

ARTICLE A. ADMINISTRATION

10-21A-1: TITLE OF CODE:

This chapter shall be known as the OUTDOOR SIGN CODE OF SOUTH OGDEN CITY. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21A-2: ENFORCEMENT:

A. Building Official: The building official shall be responsible for the enforcement and administration of this chapter. The building official shall inspect each sign for which a permit has been issued and shall require the proper maintenance of all signs subject to the provisions of this chapter.

B. Enter Upon Premises: Upon presentation of proper credentials, the building official may enter at reasonable times any building, structure or premises in the city to perform any duty imposed upon him by this chapter.

C. Noncompliance Fee Schedule: Building official or acting agent shall enforce noncompliance fee based on noncompliance fee schedule for each offense:

FEE SCHEDULE

First violation	Warning
Second violation	\$250.00
Third violation	Revoke business license

(Ord. 09-18, 11-10-2009, eff. 11-10-2009)

10-21A-3: APPLICABILITY; EXEMPTIONS:

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to all signs erected in the city, except for the following signs, which shall be exempt from permit requirements:

A. Traffic and other municipal signs, house numbers, legal notices, railroad crossing signs, and danger and warning signs.

B. Memorial tablets or tablets containing the name, date, erection and use of the buildings, when built into the walls of the buildings and constructed of bronze, brass, marble, stone or other incombustible materials.

C. Signs for political, civic, philanthropic or service club purposes or promotions.

D. Nonilluminated and nonfloodlighted signs having an area not in excess of six (6) square feet on private property.

E. Nonilluminated and nonfloodlighted signs having an area not in excess of thirty six (36) square feet announcing the destruction or construction or remodeling of a building or announcing the enterprise to be located in a building under construction or announcing the name and address of the architect or contractor of the building, or the owner thereof; provided, that not more than one such sign shall be erected on each street frontage; and also provided, that said signs are erected not more than thirty (30) days prior to construction and are removed not more than thirty (30) days after completion.

F. Nonilluminated and nonfloodlighted religious, charitable and educational ground signs having an area not in excess of twelve (12) square feet.

G. Real estate for sale signs with a maximum of six (6) square feet. Signs over six (6) square feet require a permit. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21A-4: SIGN PERMIT REQUIRED:

A. It shall be unlawful to erect or remodel any sign upon or over public or private property within the city until a sign permit with respect to such sign has been obtained from the building official.

B. No illuminated or floodlighted sign shall be connected to the electrical wiring source at a location until an electrical permit with respect thereto has been issued by the building official.

C. No sign permit shall be issued to any person other than a licensed contractor except in the case of a property owner, lessee or tenant, when work is to be done on the owned or leased property. All sign permit requests shall be accompanied with two (2) complete sets of drawings, specifications and design criteria when required by the building official. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21A-5: VIOLATIONS A MISDEMEANOR:

Any person who shall fail to comply with, or shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter, or any rules or regulations promulgated hereunder, shall be deemed guilty of a class C misdemeanor and upon conviction, subject to penalty as provided in section 1-4-1 of this code. The penalty provided herein shall be in addition to any suspension or revocation of any license or permit issued hereunder. Such person, firm or corporation shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during which any portion of any violation of this chapter is committed, maintained, continued or permitted by such person, firm or corporation, and shall be punishable as herein provided. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21A-6: COMPLIANCE WITH STATE, FEDERAL HIGHWAY SIGN REGULATIONS:

Before sign permits are issued for signs on state and/or federally controlled and/or funded highways, proof of approval where necessary from the controlling agency must be submitted with sign permit

application before said application is considered for approval. In no instance will federal or state approval preempt the requirements of this chapter. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

ARTICLE B. DEFINITIONS

10-21B-1: DEFINITIONS:

The words and terms hereinafter defined in this article shall have the meaning indicated. Words used in the present tense include future and words in the singular number include the plural and words in the plural include the singular. Words not included herein but defined elsewhere in city ordinances shall be construed as termed therein.

ARCHITECTURAL PROJECTION: Any projection which is not intended for occupancy and which extends beyond the face of an exterior wall of a building, but shall not include signs.

BANNER: Any cloth, bunting, plastic, paper, or similar material used for temporary advertising.

BLANKET OR BLANKETING: When applied to signs or sign structure, shall mean the partial or complete shutting off of the face of one sign by another sign.

BUILDING: Any structure built for the support, shelter and enclosure of persons, animals, chattels or movable property of any kind.

BUILDING FACADE: That portion of an exterior elevation of a building extending from grade to the top of the parapet wall or eaves and the entire width of the building elevation.

BUILDING FACADE FACING: A resurfacing of an existing facade with approved material illuminated or nonilluminated.

BUILDING OFFICIAL: The official charged with the administration and enforcement of this title or his duly authorized deputy.

CHANGEABLE COPY PANEL: A panel which is characterized by changeable copy, regardless of method of attachment.

CURRENT ADOPTED BUILDING CODE: The current edition of the building code as adopted by South Ogden City.

FRONTAGE: The linear measurement of a lot or parcel facing upon a street.

INCOMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL: Any material which will not ignite at or above a temperature of one thousand two hundred degrees Fahrenheit (1,200°F) during an exposure of five (5) minutes, and will not continue a burn or glow at that temperature. Tests shall be made as specified in the current adopted building code.

LINEAR SPACING: The radial distance between signs.

MAINTAIN: Includes, and is limited to, the following: service, repair or repaint. Owner or lessee of sign may repaint and/or change letters on his own sign if it is changeable copy sign.

MARQUEE: A permanent roofed structure attached to and supported by the building and projecting over public property.

PERSON: One or more persons, an association, a copartnership or a corporation or firm, either by themselves or represented by an agent, employee, guardian or trustee.

SHOPPING CENTER: Two (2) or more businesses with more than fifty thousand (50,000) square feet of combined building area doing business under a common roof structure.

SIGN: A presentation or representation of words, letters, figures, designs, picture or colors, publicly displayed so as to give notice relative to a person, a business, an article or merchandise, a service, an assemblage, a solicitation, or a request for aid; also the structure or framework or any natural object upon which any sign is erected or is intended to be erected or exhibited or which is being used or is intended to be used for sign purposes.

SIGN, ADVERTISING: See definition of Sign, Off Premises.

SIGN, ANIMATED: A sign which involves motion or rotation of any part, created by natural or artificial means, or displays flashing or intermittent lights.

SIGN AREA: The area of a sign that is used for display purposes excluding the minimum frame and supports and regardless of how the copy is divided into subjects. In relation to signs that do not have a frame or separate background, sign area shall be computed on the basis of the least rectangle, triangle or circle large enough to frame the display. In computing sign area, only the face or faces which can be seen from any one direction at one time shall be counted; providing, that the sign faces are parallel or diverge from a common edge by an angle of not more than forty five degrees (45°).

SIGN, BUSINESS: A sign which directs attention to the principal business or service performed on the premises.

SIGN, COMBINATION: A sign incorporating any combination of the features of projecting, roof or freestanding signs.

SIGN, CONSTRUCTION PROJECT: A sign identifying a construction project. The sign may contain name of project, name and address of construction firm, architect and developer.

SIGN, DIRECTIONAL: On premises incidental signs designated to guide or direct pedestrians or vehicular traffic.

SIGN, ELECTRONIC MESSAGE DISPLAY: A sign which uses changing patterns of lights to display public information and/or commercial messages.

SIGN, FABRIC: Any sign executed upon or composed of any flexible woven fabric material such as cloth, paper, fiberglass, vinyl, or other synthetic product.

SIGN, FLOODLIGHTED: Any sign illuminated in the absence of daylight only, by devices which reflect or project light upon it.

SIGN, FREESTANDING: A sign which is supported by one or more columns, uprights or braces in or upon the ground.

SIGN, IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION: A flat sign displayed to indicate the name or nature of a building, or use, including all professional and business buildings, home occupations, apartment complexes, and public and semipublic buildings.

SIGN, ILLUMINATED: A sign in which a source of light is used in order to make the message readable. This definition shall include internally and externally lighted signs other than floodlighted signs.

SIGN, INCOMBUSTIBLE: A sign which is constructed entirely of incombustible material.

SIGN, LOW PROFILE: An on premises or identification sign having a maximum height of six feet (6').

SIGN, MARQUEE: A sign attached to the street frontage or sides of a marquee, the sign must be constructed to be the same thickness or less as the marquee and may not project above or rest upon the top of the marquee. A sign may be attached to the bottom of a marquee if the clearance above the sidewalk, as defined in the current adopted building code, is maintained.

SIGN, MULTIPLE COPY: A sign which advertises other than the name of the business and the principal product or service.

SIGN, NAMEPLATE: A sign indicating the name of a person or persons residing on the premises.

SIGN, OFF PREMISES: A sign which directs attention to a use, product, commodity or service not related to the premises on which it is located.

SIGN, ON PREMISES: See definition of Sign, Business.

SIGN, PROJECTING: Any sign attached to a building or other structure and extending in whole or in part more than eighteen inches (18") beyond the building line.

SIGN STRUCTURE: A structure which supports any "sign", as defined in this article. A sign structure may be a single pole or poles, or an integral part of the building.

SIGN, TEMPORARY:

- A. A sign which is intended to advertise community or civic projects, construction projects, real estate for sale or lease, on a temporary basis. A sign which is intended to advertise community or civic projects or construction projects shall be erected not earlier than thirty (30) days prior or date of beginning of event and shall be removed within thirty (30) days after event is concluded.
- B. A sign used for a temporary basis until a permanent sign is established. Sign or signs shall be erected no earlier than fifteen (15) days prior to and removed forty five (45) days after occupancy given by building department.
- C. A sign identifying a business opening.

SIGN, TIME AND/OR TEMPERATURE: A display containing numerals to show the time and/or temperature.

SIGN, WALL: A sign which is affixed to an exterior wall of a building or structure and which projects not more than eighteen inches (18") from a building or structure wall and which does not extend more than two feet (2') above the parapet, eaves or building facade upon which it is located.

TRIM, NONSTRUCTURAL: Nonstructural trim is molding, battens, caps, nailing strips, latticing, cutouts or letters and walkways which are attached to the sign structure. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008; amd. Ord. 09-18, 11-10-2009, eff. 11-10-2009)

ARTICLE C. GENERAL REGULATIONS^{1,2}

10-21C-1: MISLEADING, UNSIGHTLY OR OBSCENE SIGNS PROHIBITED:

No signs shall be erected or maintained or be permitted to remain publicly displayed which are of a misleading, fraudulent, obscene, immoral, indecent or unsightly character. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-2: PAINTING, PASTING AND TACKING PROHIBITED:

No sign shall be painted, pasted or glued directly upon any wall or roof or affixed directly upon any wall or roof. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-3: ANIMATED SIGNS:

No animated signs shall be erected or maintained in, nor closer than seventy five feet (75') from any residence. Revolving animated signs are limited to eight (8) revolutions per minute and may not have flashing lights attached thereto. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-4: RESERVED:

(Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-5: WALL SIGN AREA:

Wall sign area on a building facade shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the wall elevation square footage. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-6: SIGNS TO BE REMOVED:

If a sign does not conform with the requirements of this chapter, or if the construction, design, manner of use, or method of anchoring or supporting any sign makes such sign unsafe, the building official shall proceed in any manner he deems necessary to cause the removal of the sign or the rebuilding of the sign to conform with the requirements of this chapter or to remedy the defects therein. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-7: REFUSAL OF OWNER TO REMOVE DANGEROUS SIGNS; REMOVAL BY BUILDING OFFICIAL:

Where immediate action is deemed necessary to protect limb, life or property and where the owner of a sign or the owner of the property upon which the sign is erected fails to remove such sign pursuant to notice from the building official within a specified time fixed in such notice, the building official may proceed in any manner deemed necessary to cause the immediate removal of such sign. The building official shall certify a statement of the expenses incurred in such removal to the city manager, who in turn shall assess and charge the same against the real estate upon which the sign was erected, and unless said assessment is paid within ninety (90) days after and from the date of notice thereof, the same shall, when recorded in the offices of the county clerk and city recorder, become a lien upon the real estate whereon the sign is erected and collectible in the same manner as general taxes. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-8: SIGNS OVER STREETS PROHIBITED:

It shall be unlawful to erect and/or maintain any sign over any street or alley, except as herein expressly provided. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-9: SIGNS NOT TO COVER WINDOWS, DOORS OR SIMILAR OPENINGS:

No sign shall cover a window, doorway, or to the opening providing light, ventilation or exit facilities which are required by the building code or which are deemed by the fire department to be necessary to give the fire department access to the building, or to afford fire protection in the event of a fire; provided, however, that flat signs, wall signs, fabric signs or projecting signs shall be permitted to cover transoms. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-10: SIGNS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY:

It shall be unlawful for any person to fasten or attach, paint or place, any sign, handbill, poster, advertisement or notice of any kind or sort, except for political or civic purposes, or to cause the same to be done in or upon the curbstone, lamppost, telephone pole, electric light or power pole, hydrant, bridge or tree, or in or upon any portion of any sidewalk or street. It shall be unlawful to paste, place, paint or attach any "sign", as defined in this chapter, upon any building, street or property of the city; provided, however, that a campaign sign or sign advertising a civic purpose or the promotion of a civic or service club may be placed between the sidewalk and curb area with the permission of the owner of the lot which said area fronts. Such a sign shall be governed by the provisions of section 10-21C-20 of this article, and the candidate or sponsoring entity or group shall be responsible for the removal thereof. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-11: SIGNS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY:

It shall be unlawful for any person to fasten or attach, paint or place any "sign", as defined in this chapter, upon any private wall, window, door, gate, fence or sign, or upon any other personal property without the consent of the owner or lessee, or someone authorized to act on behalf of such owner or lessee. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-12: MAINTENANCE OF SIGNS:

Signs regulated by this chapter shall be securely fastened, maintained in a clean, safe and attractive condition. This includes the replacement of defective parts, cleaning and other acts for proper maintenance and structural condition at all times. The city, its building official, and its other agents shall in no way be liable for negligence or failure of the owner, or the person responsible for maintaining any sign, to keep such sign in good condition, or be responsible for any damage caused by defective conditions. (Ord. 09-18, 11-10-2009, eff. 11-10-2009)

10-21C-13: REMOVAL OF SIGNS:

Any person occupying a building or portion of a building, who owns or maintains a sign in connection therewith, shall upon vacating the premises, or discontinuing the business advertised, cause the sign to be removed. Any person who owns and maintains a sign which is maintained for the benefit of another person who occupies a building or part of a building whereon the sign is located shall cause the sign to be removed if the person for whom the sign is maintained vacates the premises. Failure of the owner of the sign or of the person responsible for maintaining same to remove the sign within thirty (30) days after notice from the building official shall be considered as a violation of this chapter and shall subject the owner of the sign and the owner of the property to the penalties herein. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-14: SIGNS TO COMPLY WITH ZONING ORDINANCE:

A. Required: All signs shall be erected and maintained in full compliance with this title.

B. Removal Of Nonconforming Signs:

1. Any sign not in conformance with the provisions of this title and which was erected or installed without a permit shall be removed within thirty (30) days upon notification from the building official.
2. Signs for which permits were previously issued and which are made nonconforming by the provisions of this chapter shall be removed upon written notice from the city. It being understood that the city will pay an amount equal to the fair market value of sign, excluding any cost for removal of the existing sign or costs of placing a new conforming sign. Business names or trade styles on signs made nonconforming by provision of this chapter may be changed only if ownership of business does not change and size and placement of sign is not changed. Under no circumstances shall such nonconforming signs be remodeled or replaced other than specified. The provisions of section 10-21C-6 of this article shall apply to such nonconforming signs.
3. Any existing sign, conforming to the provisions of this chapter relative to size and location but nonconforming to structural requirements shall be removed or replaced within one year upon written notice from the city. However, if they are deemed to be a hazard or more than fifty percent (50%) damaged, they shall be removed or repaired in accordance with the structural requirements of article D of this chapter, within ten (10) days after receiving notice from the city.
4. Any sign determined to be abandoned shall be removed within thirty (30) days of notification by the building official to the property owner and/or owner of the business advertised and/or owner of the sign. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-15: COMPLIANCE WITH SAFETY REGULATIONS:

It is unlawful for any person erecting any sign or other advertising structure to fail to comply strictly with the requirements of this chapter and any and all regulations pertaining to safety promulgated by the city council pursuant to section 10-21C-17 of this article. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-16: ERECTION OF SIGNS OVER PUBLIC STREETS OR SIDEWALKS; SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

Whenever any sign or other advertising structure shall be erected in whole or in part on or over any public street or sidewalk, the person performing the work shall before proceeding to erect the same, take all precautions necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property on such street or sidewalk. Before hoisting any material whatsoever above the surface of any street or sidewalk or placing any material upon the traveled portion of any street or sidewalk, the person performing such work shall exclude the traveling public from the portion of such street or sidewalk in which such work is to be done by means of suitable barriers, protected walkways and warning devices approved by the building official, and whenever said building official shall deem it necessary under the conditions then existing, shall provide a guard or guards to exclude all persons not concerned in the work from the portion of the street or sidewalk in which the work is to proceed. When hoisting any sign or advertising structure above the surface of any street or sidewalk, the same shall be accomplished by hoisting devices of approved design and adequate capacity to accomplish the work in accordance with approved engineering practices. All hoisting equipment shall be kept and maintained in good and workable condition. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-17: PROMULGATION OF SAFETY REGULATIONS:

The city council may establish such rules and regulations as it may find to be reasonably necessary to protect the public from injury in the course of the erection of signs and other advertising structures and when such regulations are established, all sign contractors and holders of sign permits shall comply strictly therewith. Such regulations shall be filed with the city recorder and a copy thereof to be furnished to all persons, firms and corporations holding licenses as sign contractors and holders of sign permits and who shall comply strictly therewith. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-18: ZONES PERMITTED AND CONTROLS; APPENDIX:

Appendix A which follows article D of this chapter, is hereby made a part of this section by reference. It is unlawful for any person to erect or otherwise install a sign having a size or height greater than allowed in this appendix. It is unlawful for any person to erect or otherwise install a sign located on the site or in a zone in violation of the controls specified in this appendix. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-19: TIME LIMITATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT OR LAND DEVELOPMENT SIGNS:

No construction project or land development sign shall be erected earlier than thirty (30) days prior to beginning of construction and shall be removed within thirty (30) days after such construction is completed. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-20: POLITICAL OR CAMPAIGN SIGNS:

Political or campaign signs are permitted in accordance with the following provisions; provided, that any such sign shall be erected no earlier than thirty (30) days prior to the election at which time the candidates or measure will be voted upon and shall be removed within five (5) days after such election, campaign or event, with the candidate or sponsoring entity or group being responsible for removal:

A. In any zone, there is permitted not more than one stationary, unlighted, temporary sign per candidate on any lot or contiguous parcels of land under one ownership on behalf of candidates for public office or measures on the ballot; provided, that any such sign shall not exceed ten feet (10') in height and shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area.

B. No political or campaign sign shall be placed within one hundred fifty feet (150') from a polling place.

C. No political or campaign sign may be placed in clear view area or in such a manner as to create a safety hazard or constitute a public nuisance.

D. Political signs cannot be placed on private property without the property owner's permission. (Ord. 10-08, 7-6-2010, eff. 7-6-2010)

10-21C-21: FABRIC SIGNS:

Permits may be issued by the building official upon approval by the city council for hanging of display banners or other fabric decorations for special occasions, such as religious, charitable, civic or festive

occurrences, or for Christmas decorations, or in celebration of some event of religious, national, state or civic significance or in honor of a visit from a person of note. It is specifically prohibited to incorporate in any such decorations any political advertising or advertising of a commercial nature. The building official may permit such signs to be hung over public streets or walks after proper approval. Permits issued pursuant to this section may be issued without charge of any fee, but shall specify a period of time, not to exceed fifteen (15) days during which such signs shall be permitted to be used.

Fabric sign banners may be used as temporary signs for real estate or lease advertising for a building under construction and shall be removed upon issuance of a certificate of occupancy. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-22: ELECTRIC SIGNS:

All signs which utilize or are illuminated by electricity shall comply with the electrical code and fire prevention code of the city. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-23: SHOPPING CENTER SIGNS:

A shopping center may have a freestanding business sign. A sign is sized using the frontage occupied by the center. If "pads" for separate buildings are subdivided or otherwise located on the same frontage, the pads may have a low profile sign and wall signs. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-24: HISTORICAL SIGNS:

Any sign designating historical property is subject to the provisions of this chapter; provided, however, that the city council, upon recommendation by the planning commission, can waive any restrictions found in the provisions of this chapter in allowing the erection of such a sign. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-25: BENCH SIGNS:

Bench signs shall be allowed upon proper permit by the city council, with the location thereof to be approved by the building official. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21C-26: LOW PROFILE SIGNS:

Low profile signs are encouraged in all commercial, industrial and high density zoning districts and shall be allowed in conformance with the following provisions:

- A. Low profile on premises or identification signs will be allowed in all commercial, manufacturing and high density residential zoning districts; provided, that these signs:

1. May have a minimum front setback of zero feet (0').
2. Must have a minimum setback from any driveway or traffic access of ten feet (10').
3. Shall be limited to a maximum of six feet (6') in height and not exceed sixty (60) square feet, but excluding a maximum eighteen inch (18") foundation and a twelve inch (12") frame around the sign. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

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Footnote 1: See also section 10-16-4 of this title for signs permitted with nonconforming uses.

Footnote 2: See also section 10-22-5 of this title for sexually oriented business signs.

ARTICLE D. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS

10-21D-1: DESIGN:

A. Wind, Seismic Forces: Signs and sign structures shall be designed and constructed to resist wind and seismic forces as specified in this section. All bracing systems shall be designed and constructed to transfer lateral forces to the foundations. For signs on buildings, the dead and lateral loads shall be transmitted through the structural frame of the building to the ground in such manner as not to overstress any of the elements thereof. Design calculations shall be submitted with permit applications when required. The overturning moment produced from lateral forces shall in no case exceed two-thirds ($2/3$) of the dead load resisting moment. Uplift due to overturning shall be adequately resisted by proper anchorage to the ground or to the structural frame of the building. The weight of earth superimposed over footings may be used in determining the dead load resisting moment. Such earth shall be carefully placed and thoroughly compacted.

B. Current Building Code Provisions: Signs and sign structures shall be designed and constructed to resist wind forces as specified in the current building code thirty feet (30') aboveground with adjustment in pressure for height as outlined in the building code and seismic zone D2.

C. Suspension Over Public Or Private Property: No sign shall be placed on top of or suspended from the bottom of another sign over public or private property unless application is made to the building official with necessary calculations to show that the sign is structurally sound and safe to support the

additional weight, display area and wind resistance and is properly fastened to the existing sign structure.

D. Plastic Material; Technical Data Submitted: The building official shall require that sufficient technical data be submitted to substantiate the proposed use of any plastic material, and if it is determined that the evidence submitted is satisfactory for the use intended, he may approve its use. Design and construction with plastic material shall be in accordance with the building code. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21D-2: CONSTRUCTION:

The supports for all signs or sign structures shall be placed in or upon private property and shall be designed, constructed and erected in conformance with the requirements of the building code. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

10-21D-3: PROJECTION AND CLEARANC

A. All types of signs shall conform to the clearance and projection requirements of this chapter.

B. Signs shall be located not less than eleven feet six inches (11'6") horizontally or sixteen feet (16') vertically from overhead electrical conductors which are energized in excess of seven hundred fifty (750) volts. The term "overhead conductors", as used in this section, means any electrical conductor, either bare or insulated, installed above the ground except such conductors which are enclosed in rigid conduit or other material covering of equal strength.

C. No sign or sign structure shall be erected in such a manner that any portion of its surface or supports will interfere in any way with the free use of any fire escape, exit or standpipe.

D. Signs erected within five feet (5') of an opening in an exterior wall shall be constructed of incombustible material of building code approved plastic.

E. No sign or sign structure shall project into any public alley below a height of fourteen feet (14') above grade, nor project more than eighteen inches (18") into the public alley where the sign or sign structure is located more than sixteen feet (16') above grade.

F. For purposes of illumination, light shall not extend more than eight feet (8') from the sign structure if attached to the sign or sign structure. (Ord. 08-02, 1-22-2008, eff. 1-22-2008)

ARTICLE E. APPENDIX A

10-21E-1: SIGN GROUPS

TABLE 1 - MAJOR SIGN GROUPS

Major Sign Groups	Zones In Which Sign Is Permitted	Maximum Size Of Sign Area; Linear Spacing Of Signs	Maximum Height Regulations	Location Of Sign On Site
Business sign: A sign which directs attention to the business or service performed on the premises	C-1	2 sq. ft. per linear foot of frontage with a maximum of 200 sq. ft. for freestanding sign. 150 ft. minimum spacing	30 ft.	Must not be placed on or extend into required yard more than 6 ft. 1 sign per 300 ft. frontage or part thereof
	C-2	2 sq. ft. per linear foot of frontage with a maximum of 300 sq. ft. for freestanding sign. 150 ft. minimum spacing	35 ft.	Must not be placed or extend over public property. No projecting sign shall extend more than 18 in. from the building to which it is attached. 1 sign per 300 ft. frontage or part thereof
	C-3	2 sq. ft. per linear foot of frontage with a maximum of 400 sq. ft. 150 ft. minimum spacing	35 ft.	
	M-1	2 sq. ft. per linear foot of frontage with a maximum of 400 sq. ft. for freestanding	35 ft.	

		sign. 150 ft. minimum spacing		
	R-4 and R-5	1 sq. ft. per linear foot of frontage with a maximum of 100 sq. ft. for freestanding sign. 150 ft. minimum spacing	25 ft.	1 sign per 300 ft. frontage or part thereof. Freestanding sign requires a 15 ft. setback from property lines adjoining a street
Identification and information sign: A sign displayed to indicate the name or nature of a building or use. Includes only professional and business buildings, apartment and public and semipublic buildings and directional signs	All zones	8 sq. ft. in all zones, except 12 sq. ft. in zones permitting professional and business offices and for churches and public schools	Shall not extend above roofline or parapet wall	Must not be placed on or extend over public property
Off premises sign: A sign which directs attention to a use, product, commodity or service not related to the premises on which it is located	C-3 (conditional use) M-1 (conditional use) MP-1 (conditional use)	400 sq. ft. with cutouts and extensions not to exceed an additional 12% of the size. 750 ft. spacing between signs	35 ft.	10 ft. front yard

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TABLE 2 - SIGN TYPES AND LIMITATIONS

Sign Types And Limitations	Zones In Which Sign Is Permitted	Maximum Size Of Sign Area; Linear Spacing Of Signs	Maximum Height Regulations	Location Of Sign On Site
Construction project sign: A temporary sign identifying a construction project. The sign may name the project, name of construction firm, architect and developer	Residential zones and O-1 zone	60 ft.	15 ft.	On premises under construction
	Commercial zones	100 ft.	25 ft.	
	M-1	200 ft.	35 ft.	
Directional sign: On premises incidental signs designed to guide or direct pedestrian or vehicular traffic	All zones	Up to 6 sq. ft.	5 ft.	On premises
Electronic message display sign: Only time and temperature type and electronic message display signs	C-1	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 3 of this appendix	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 4 of this appendix	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 5 of this appendix
	C-2, C-3, M-1, R-5	A message display sign may be added to an approved sign in the R zones in addition to the allowed square footage but no more than 100 sq. ft.		Message display signs are subject to planning commission approval, modification and approval, or denial in the R zones

Freestanding sign: A sign which is supported by 1 or more columns, uprights or braces in or upon the ground	All C, CP, and CRC zones	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 3 of this appendix	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 4 of this appendix. Minimum 10 ft. above grade	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 5 of this appendix.
Low profile sign: A maximum 6 ft. high, 60 sq. ft. sign with an 18 inch maximum foundation and 12 in. maximum frame	C, M zones. R zones for professional and business buildings, multiple housing and public and semipublic buildings only	Maximum size is 60 sq. ft. Minimum spacing is 150 ft.	Maximum height is 6 ft.	A low profile sign may be used in place of a freestanding sign at 0 ft. setback
Monolithic sign: A business sign that is continuous from the ground up without visible columns, uprights or braces and uses the total structure as a sign	All C, CP, and CRC zones	See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 3 of this appendix	10 ft. less than a freestanding sign	Not allowed in the clear view area of a public street (section 10-14-14 of this title) or private drive as measured from the drive surface or back of curb. Front yard is the same as a freestanding sign. Nonfrontage yards are 3 ft. minimum. Not allowed within 40 ft. of a residential dwelling lot line or zone boundary except where the existing development is nondwelling
Nameplate: A sign indicating the name of a person or persons residing in the premises	All zones	1 ¹ / ₂ sq. ft.	None	None

<p>Projecting sign: Any attached sign extending in whole or in part more than 18 in. beyond the building line</p>	<p>C-1, C-2, C-3, M-1, table 1, column 3 of this appendix</p>	<p>See applicable major sign groups, table 1, column 3 of this appendix</p>	<p>See applicable major sign groups, table 1, column 4 of this appendix. Minimum 10 ft. above grade</p>	<p>No projecting sign may extend more than 24 in. from the building to which it is attached</p>
<p>Specialty sign: Includes wind signs, banner signs, portable signs, A-frame signs and other specialty signs</p>	<p>Refer to section 10-21C-20 of this chapter</p>			
<p>Temporary sign:</p> <p>A. A sign which is intended to advertise community or civic projects, construction projects, real estate for sale or lease on a temporary basis. Sign or signs shall be erected not earlier than 30 days prior to date of beginning of event and shall be removed within 7 days after event is concluded.</p> <p>B. A sign used for a temporary basis until a permanent sign is established. Sign or signs shall</p>	<p>All zones</p>	<p>See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 3 of this appendix</p>	<p>See applicable major sign groups, table 1, column 4 of this appendix</p>	<p>See applicable major sign group, table 1, column 5 of this appendix</p>

<p>be erected no earlier than 15 days prior to and removed 45 days after occupancy given by building department.</p> <p>C. A sign identifying a business opening. Sign or signs shall be erected no earlier than 15 days prior to and removed 45 days after occupancy given by building department.</p>				
<p>Wall sign: A sign which is affixed to an exterior wall of a building or structure and which projects no more than 18 in. from the building or structure wall and which does not extend more than 2 ft. above the parapet, eaves or building facade of the building on which it is located</p>	<p>All zones</p>	<p>Sign area shall not exceed 15% of the wall elevation sq. ft.</p>	<p>See applicable major sign group of this appendix</p>	<p>See applicable major sign group of this appendix</p>

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TABLE 3 - SPECIALTY SIGNS¹

Sign Group	Zone Permitted	Maximum Size	Maximum Number	Location	Limited To	Permit Required
Banner	C-1, C-2, C-3, CP-2, R-5	24 sq. ft.	1	1 on facade	Any time	No, tie to business license
Banner - special events	C-1, C-2, C-3, CP-2, R-5	Any	1	On premises	2 times annually up to 30 days each	Yes
Business, temporary (taco stands, Xmas tree lots)	C-1, C-2, C-3, CP-2	24 sq. ft.	1 on cart	1 additional on premises	Business license	No, tie to business license
Inflatables and balloons	C-1, C-2, C-3, CP-2, R-5	No limit	1	On premises	2 times annually up to 30 days each	Yes, no fee
6 feet specialty signs	All zones	6 sq. ft. and smaller	2	On premises	Any time	No

Note:

1. The signs listed in this table are intended to be examples and are not all inclusive.

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