

**Sec. 86-232. Temporary noncommercial signs.**

(a) *Generally.* Signs utilized for supporting, encouraging, expressing or identifying a philosophy, theory, belief, view, principle, concept, insight or opinion, political posture, position or event, public services or civic announcement or advisory event and/or personal or individual use without a commercial intent. Such signs may include but are not limited to political signs, ideological signs, no trespassing, special event or public services announcements, alarm signs and beware of dog signs. All temporary noncommercial signs shall be subject to the following:

- (1) Such signs may not be placed so as to impair the corner visibility of intersections of streets, driveways and alleys pursuant to section 82-161.
- (2) Such signs shall not be placed within the public right-of-way.
- (3) Such signs shall not be placed on public property including but not limited to parks, public facilities and public open spaces.
- (4) The sign area shall not exceed 36 square feet.
- (5) The height of such signs shall not exceed eight feet, as measured according to the term "sign, height" as it is defined in section 74-3.
- (6) Such signs shall not be affixed to utility poles or official signs.
- (7) The provisions of subsection 86-3(10), V signs, shall not apply to any temporary noncommercial signs.

(b) *Specific signs.* Specific temporary noncommercial signs shall be subject to the following:

- (1) *Political signs.* A temporary sign supporting, encouraging or identifying any candidate, proposed amendment or bond proposal in an upcoming election shall be permitted within the town provided:
  - a. The candidate, his campaign treasurer or assistant campaign treasurer or the campaign treasurer of a political committee shall be responsible for the erection and removal of the political signs or advertisements and for compliance with the provisions of this chapter and the laws of the state.
  - b. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, an exception shall be made to the time, placement, and location of political signs at an officially designated polling place, as that term is defined and enforced under state law, as follows:
    1. Said signs may be placed on public property designated as an official polling place on election day.
    2. Said signs may be posted not more than 12 hours preceding the designated time for the opening of the polls and must be removed not more than 12 hours after the designated time for closing of the polls. Signs may be posted not more than 12 hours preceding the designated time for the opening of the polls for early voting, and must be removed not more than 12 hours after the designated time for closing the polls on the last day of early voting.
    3. Any such placement shall be in accordance with state law limitations.
    4. Election day shall be as defined by state law and/or town ordinance for a particular election.
  - c. Political signs shall not be illuminated in any manner.
  - d. Political signs shall not have any moving elements.
- (2) *Special event or public announcement signs.* A sign or notice posted to announce public information concerning special events, bazaars, rallies, or other similar activities sponsored by charitable, religious, philanthropic, educational or civic institutions shall be allowed as temporary signs provided that:
  - a. Such signs shall be allowed up to 30 days prior to such event, but shall be removed within two days after the scheduled event.

b. All signs shall be on-premises only, provided that nonprofit organizations, upon proof of tax-exempt status under federal or state laws, shall be allowed temporary off-premises special event signs provided that:

1. The organization must have permission from the property owner to place the sign on his property.
2. There will be a maximum of six off-premises signs advertising the nonprofit organization function.
3. The advertised function must occur within the corporate limits of the town or an adjacent municipality and be sponsored by a nonprofit organization located in the town.
4. Signs will be allowed two weeks prior to and two days after the advertised function.

c. The town is excepted from the requirements of this subsection (2).

(Ord. No. 72-00, § 7, 10-16-2000; Ord. No. 70-02, § 2, 10-21-2002; Ord. No. 48-06, § 3, 7-17-2006)

### **Sec. 86-233. Temporary commercial signs.**

(a) *Generally.* Signs utilized for the purpose of benefiting a for-profit enterprise, person or activity and/or advertising the sale of a product, good or service, or other similar venture with an economic purpose. Such signs may include but are not limited to real estate signs, weekend real estate directional signs, special event signs, and personal or incidental use signs such as garage sale signs and work in progress signs. All temporary commercial signs shall be subject to the following:

- (1) Such signs may not be placed so as to impair the corner visibility of intersections of streets, driveways and alleys pursuant to section 82-161.
- (2) Such signs shall not be placed within the public right-of-way.
- (3) Such signs shall not be placed on public property including but not limited to parks, public facilities and public open spaces.
- (4) The sign area shall not exceed six square feet.
- (5) The height of such signs shall not exceed three feet.
- (6) All such signs must be placed on private property only.
- (7) Only one sign for every 50 feet of lineal frontage of private property shall be permitted.
- (8) Such signs shall not be affixed to utility poles or official signs.

(b) *Specific signs.* Specific temporary commercial signs shall be subject to the following:

(1) *For sale (residential structures on small tracts).* Real estate signs advertising the sale, lease or rent of individual housing units on less than two acres shall be limited to two signs, as follows:

- a. One such sign shall be allowed pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.
- b. One such sign may placed on-premises any day of the week.

(2) *Weekend real estate directional signs.* Any temporary weekend directional sign placed for off-premises advertising or direction of traffic or to call attention to a real estate project, development or subdivision shall be limited to off-premises directional signs and model home signs. Weekend real estate directional signs shall be permitted on a temporary basis provided that:

- a. Weekend real estate directional signs may be placed between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays and must be removed no later than 8:00 p.m. on Sunday.
- b. Weekend real estate directional signs may display only the name and/or logo of the builder, developer or real estate company and may include a directional graphic such as an arrow.

(3) *Special event signs.* A sign or notice posted to announce public information concerning a for-profit special event including but limited to a circus, haunted house or fair may be placed 14 days prior to the

event and must be removed no later than three days after the event.

(4) *Personal and/or incidental use signs.* Any permanent or temporary sign for personal purposes or used to identify the sale of personal property; garage, yard or estate sales; and/or incidental private signs identifying work in progress shall be permitted in any zoning district provided that personal and/or incidental use signs may be placed 24 hours prior to the commencement of the work, event or sale and removed within 24 hours after the conclusion of the work, sale or event.

(Ord. No. 72-00, § 7, 10-16-2000; Ord. No. 85-01, §§ 5, 6, 12-3-2001)