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Temporary On-Site Business Signs
(Ordinance chapter 225-33)

A Temporary Sign is a sign intended to display commercial messages of a transitory nature. Portable signs or any sign not permanently embedded in the ground, or not permanently affixed to a building or sign structure that is permanently embedded in the ground, are considered temporary signs. Non-commercial message signs such as but not limited to “Help Wanted”, “Open”, “Welcome”, etc. are not regulated by the ordinance and may be placed at any time.

Temporary commercial signs are not permitted by ordinance excepting two types, banner and sandwich board, as described below;

BANNER

Any sign of lightweight fabric or similar material having no permanent frame and which is mounted to a pole, building or other object.

Only one banner is allowed per business and shall be included in the total square footage of signage allowed. The maximum size of a banner is 50 square feet per face. Banners are not permitted in Residential and Middle Village zones

SANDWICH BOARD

A two-sided sign, typically shaped like an "A" and hinged at the top, that is made of wood or materials that appear to be wood and is not attached to the ground.

A *single* sandwich board sign may be placed in front of businesses daily but shall be removed nightly.