Proposed Sign Ordinance Amendments

Changes to be reviewed by City Council prior to adoption

'Housekeeping' changes

- Adding definitions for new terms, removing definitions for terms no longer used in the ordinance
- Removing redundant language
- Removing conflicting language
- Replace & update language pertaining to legal authority, fee structure, and specific dates

Major Change #1: Eliminate Master Sign Permit

- Presently, all properties (multitenant or single-tenant) in the City Center Sign District must establish an MSP prior to getting permit approval, and must update the MSP if new tenants or new branding necessitates new signage
- MSP process is tedious and an unnecessary use of DRB capacity
- Ordinance already contains standards for signage in the City Center Sign District, our proposal is to allow the Code Officer to determine whether the proposed signage meets those standards, instead of DRB
- Elimination of MSP will allow subject signage to be reviewed without pre-existing restrictions

Major Change #2: Prohibit free-standing signs in City Center in favor of perpendicular signs

- Free-standing signs are basically billboards, designed to market to motorists. City Center is being built for pedestrians and the signage should reflect that.
- Free-standing sign example:

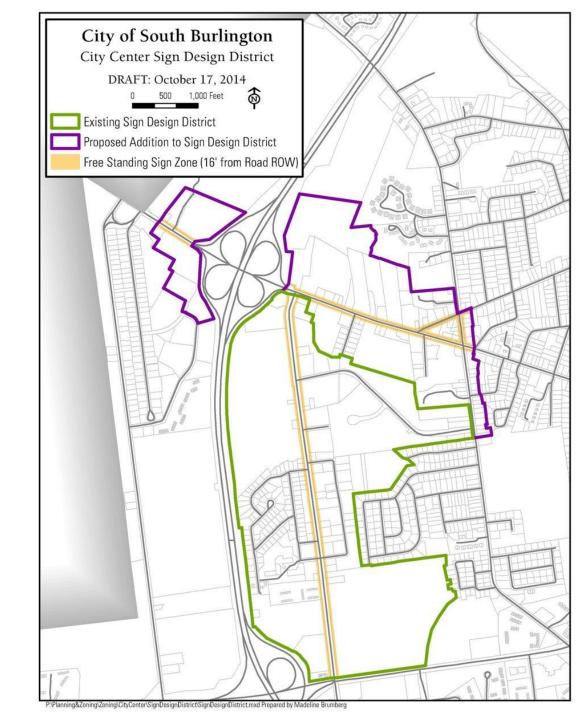


- Perpendicular signs are installed on the building, at a 90° angle to the wall, and are typically smaller than a free-standing sign
- Perpendicular signs as seen on Church Street:



Major Change #2, continued:

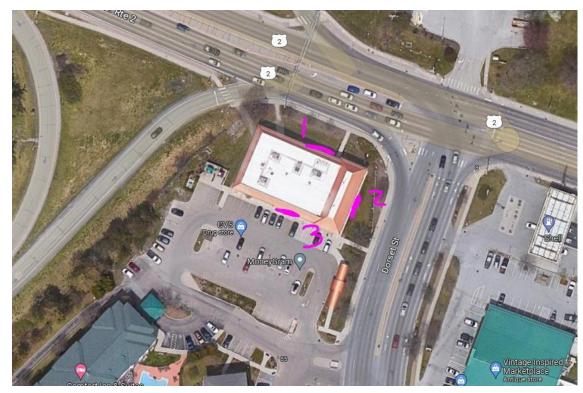
- New language will read as follows:
 - After [date TBD], new Free-Standing Sign structures in the City Center Sign District shall only be permitted within sixteen (16) feet of the edge of the Dorset Street, Kennedy Drive, Patchen Road, San Remo Drive, White Street, and Williston Road rights-of-way. Any existing Free-Standing Sign structure lawfully in existence on or before [date TBD] in the City Center Sign District, may be normally maintained, repaired, or replaced in the same location. Any replacement of Signs within the Sign structure shall be in accordance with the standards of the District.



Major Change #3: Increase Wall Sign Allowance

- Current standards for singletenant buildings limit tenant to 100 square feet of wall signage across a maximum of two (2) signs
- Proposal is to keep the square footage the same, but increase number of wall signs to three (3)

• Will be beneficial for corner lots with off-street parking:



Major Change #4: Temporary Signage

- The ordinance currently prohibits the daily display of A-frame signs on a property, limiting it to just one week per month (e.g., 'Sale this Week!') or the same day of the week every week (e.g., 'Taco Tuesday')
- Proposal would allow businesses to permit one permanent 2' x 3' A-frame for display in proximity to business entrance during business hours

 Update will allow businesses to better advertise to pedestrians and enhance P&Z's ability to crack down on unpermitted temporary signage



Other Changes

- Exempt 'Open' flags from permitting requirements
- Exempt signs identifying EV chargers from permitting requirements
- Broaden the language prohibiting inflatable signs to include all inflatable contraptions, not just those which resemble a person or creature

Any Questions?

Proposed Sign Ordinance amendments – 3/17/2023 – Marty Gillies

The following memo gives an overview of the substantive proposed changes to the Sign Ordinance, and a brief description of the intent of these changes.

Location of Edit	Goal of Edit	Details of Edit
Article 2 – Definitions	clarity	 Add definitions for 'Bulletin Board', 'Chalkboard', 'Inflatable/wind sign', 'perpendicular sign', 'sidewalk sign' Remove definitions for 'projecting sign', 'wayfinding sign'
This amendment ne	cessitated by late	r amendments pertaining to these terms.
Article 5 – City Center Sign Dist.	Enhance standards	- Add text defining admin review process & authority for Code Officer to review (akin to 7.C & 7.F.1 from old MSP article)
This amendment ne	cessitated by elim	nination of MSP in Article 7.
Article 6 – Applications	Eliminate MSP requirements	- Delete first bullet requiring MSP submittal
This amendment ne	cessitated by elim	nination of MSP in Article 7.
Article 7 – Master Signage Designation	Eliminate MSP requirements	 Delete entirety of Article 7 Add/retain text explaining what happens to existing MSPs Add (if necessary) text clarifying that signs in the City Center are still subject to the design standards in Article 5, but those applications can now be reviewed administratively
Center Sign District Board workload and	requirements det d streamlining the	d the associated Master Signage Permits) are redundant to the City ailed in Article 5. In the interest of reducing the Development Review permitting process, this amendment eliminates the requirement to before installing signage in City Center.
Article 8 – Free- Standing Signs	Enhance standards	 Add text prohibiting the location of a free-standing sign in a designated Civic Space or Site Amenity Remove G.3, an allowance for promotional sign insets Add standards limiting the placement of free-standing signs in the City Center Sign District
too obstructive to fi	t well in an enviro	igned to be digestible for people in vehicles – they are too large and nment designed for pedestrians. This amendment would prohibit free- l areas such as City Center & required open spaces.
Article 9 – Wall Signs	Enhance standards & clarity	 Remove reference to design review approval process Remove reference to MSP process Add text expanding the definition of Wall Sign Increase the number of allowable wall signs for single-tenant buildings from 2 to 3
lot, have expressed both facades and in amendment would	a desire to increa clude signage dire not increase the t	cially those on corners with two street-facing facades and a parking se the number of signs permitted in order to effectively advertise on ected towards shoppers entering from the parking lot. This otal allowable signage area but would allow business owners in single- cross three signs instead of two.
Article 10 – Incidental & Directional Signs	Clarity	- Delete entirety of Article 10 (redundant to Article 11)
Article 12 – Signs in Res. Areas	Clarity	- Remove standards specific to certain uses that conflict with general standards already existing in Article 12

Article 13 –	Clarity	- Remove references to DRB
Landscape Signs	clurity	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ill allow all landsci	ape signage to be reviewed by the Code Officer, thereby reducing the
Development Revie		
Article 15 – Perp.	Enhance	- Entirely replace existing language with updated language, allowing
Signs	standards	all City Center businesses with a first-floor entryway one
0		perpendicular sign
This amendment w	Il eliminate the c	urrent language, which only allows perpendicular signs where it can be
		gn is untenable. It will instead allow perpendicular signs to be installed
on any business in (City Center with a	first-floor entryway. This amendment intends to offer businesses in
City Center an alter	native to free-sta	nding signs.
Article 17 – Misc.	Clarity	- Add standard prohibiting wind/inflatable signs
Signs		- Move standard allowing 'open' flags to Article 22 (exemptions)
This amendment wi	ll remove 'open fl	ags' from ordinance regulation entirely by exempting them from
	rohibit all inflatat	ple/wind signs, not just those which bear a resemblance to a person or
creature.	1	
Article 18 –	Enhance	- Entirely replace existing language with updated language, allowing
Temporary Signs	standards	all businesses the option to permit one 2' x 3' sidewalk sign, which
		can be displayed evert day during hours of operation, in addition to
		a banner subject to the current temporary sign permit timelines
		ng process will remain, allowing business & organizations the ability to
-	-	played on their property for one or two weeks at a time to advertise
		allow businesses/organizations to permit one sidewalk sign, no larger
		y during hours of operation within reasonable proximity of their
		mendment is to provide business owners a reasonable, legal avenue to
		fic. This amendment will also serve to clearly describe the permissible
	•	valk signs in order to allow for stricter enforcement on unpermitted
signs in the right-of	1	
Article 20 –	Enhance	- Remove standards that function as exceptions/loopholes, except
Lighting	standards	for signs that existed prior to the adoption of the new Ordinance
Officer to override r		g standards by removing various provisions allowing for the Code
Article 21 – Gas	Clarity	- Remove standard regulating which products can be displayed for
Station Signs	Clarity	sale outdoors
	l Il remove langua	ge regulating outdoor storage from this Article, since outdoor storage
is regulated elsewh		ge regulating outdoor storage from this Article, since outdoor storage
Article 22 –	Enhance	- Add standards exempting various sign types from regulation
Exemptions	standards	- Remove references to wayfinding signs
		he following signs from the permitting process: signs announcing city-
		gns affixed to EV fueling stations; 'open' flags; and the replacement of
		oved multi-tenant free-standing sign.
Article 23 – Non-	Clarity	- Change date at which non-conforming signage will start to be
Conforming Signs	,	enforced upon
	Clarity	- Removal of all references to "unlawful" signs and the associated
Article 24 –		
Article 24 – Unsafe Signs		enforcement procedure
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July 20, 2009

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AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE SIGNS IN THE CITY OF SOUTH BURLIN

The Council of the City of South Burlington hereby ordains:

SECTION 1. Short Title

This ordinance shall hereafter be known and cited as the "South Burlington Sign Ordinance".

SECTION 21. Purpose and Authority and Authority

This ordinance is enacted by the City Council under the authority it is granted to regulate signSigns set forth in 24 V.S.A. Section 2291 and Section 104 of the South Bullington City Charter. The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the public welfare and safety by regulating existing and proposed signSigns. It is intended hereby to reduce signSign distractions and obstructions that may contribute to traffic accidents, to reduce hazards that may be caused by signSigns in disrepair or of faulty construction, and to curb deterioration of natural beauty, open space and community environment.

It is intended that in commercial areas now in existence and in proposed commercial and industrial areas all signSigns within one complex be coordinated with the architecture and surroundings in such a manner that the overall appearance is harmonious in sales, form and proportion.

It is further intended that the display of services will be appropriate to the land, building or use to which they are appurted and appurted at a dequate, but not excessive, for the intended purpose of identification.

This ordinance is enacted by the City Council under the authority it is granted to regulate signs set forth in 24-V.S.A. Section 2:91 and Section 1:94 of the South Burlington City Charter. This ordinance shall constitute a civil ordinance within the meaning of 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

SECTION 32. Definitions

This ordinance is enacted by the City Council under the authority it is granted to regulate signs set forth in 24 VSA-§ 2291 and Charter § 13-104. This ordinance shall constitute a civil ordinance within the meaning of 24 VSA-Chapter 59.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(a) "A-Frame"- or "Sandwich Board" as used in this Ordinance shall be interchangeable terms that mean a moveable signSign not secured or attached to the ground or surface upon which it is located, but supported by its own frame and most often forming the cross-sectional shape of an "A". _ _

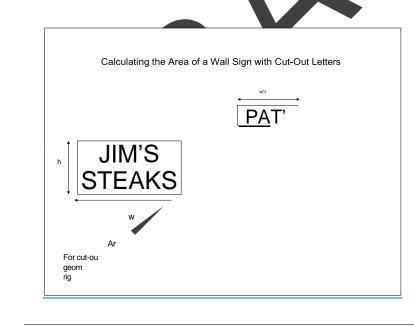
(b) "Action Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean tThe intentional movement of a signSign body or any segment thereof, such as, rotating, revolving, moving up or down or any other type of action involving a change of position of the signSign body or segment thereof, whether caused by mechanical or any other means.

(c) "Animated <u>SignSign</u>" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a<u>A</u>ny lighted <u>SignSign</u> on an intermittent or flashing circuit or the movement of any light used in connection with any signation, such as but not limited to blinking, traveling, flaring or changing degree of intensity.

(d) -- "Area of Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean:

(A) (1) fFor cut-outCut-Out Letters, the basis for the areaArea of the signSize shall be computed by taking one-half the area enclosed within the smallest regular geometric figure or figures needed to completely encompass all letters, including vertical and horizontal spacings between letters (see Illustration 10.1). In no case shall the basis for the areaArea of the signal secret on hundred (100) square feet.

Illustration 3-1 Area of a Wall Sign with Cut-Out Lette



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(B) (2) <u>fFor signSigns</u> other than <u>cut-outCut-Out</u> letters, the <u>areaArea</u> of the <u>signSign</u> shall exclude the supporting structure and shall be computed by taking the total area within the outer edge of the <u>signSign</u>.

(C) (3) sSigns having two (2) parallel and attached faces shall be considered as one signSign, and the area shall be computed for one side only. In the case of an "A-frameA-Frame" or "sandwich Board" signSign, the area shall be calculated for one side of the "A-frameA-Frame" or "sandwich boardSandwich Board" only.

(D) (4) -<u>f</u>For signSigns having more than two (2) sides, the relevant schSign area shall be the sum of all areas on which information and/or graphics are displayed.

(f) "Backlighted Letter" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a<u>A</u>n illuminated reverse channel letter with an open or translucent back so that light from the letter is directed against the surface behind the letter, producing a halo lighting effect around the letter.

(g) ---Banners and Pennants⁻⁻ as used in this Ordinance shall mean sA ny advertising device affixed to poles, wires or ropes, such as Banners, Pennants, streamers, wind operated propellers, string lighting or other similar advertising media, but not to include properly displayed governmental flags.

(h) "Billboard Sign"-as used in this Ordinance shall mean aAny structure attached or detached from any building and bearing a signSign which is not appurtenant to any business conducted on the property where the signSign is located.

Bulletin Board shall mean a Any surface to which announcements for events, meetings, items for sale, or similar items are temporarily affixed.

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h<mark>" as used in this Ordnance shall mean t</mark>he longest horizontal dimension of a signSign and/or support measured parallel to the ground and perpendicular to the face of the signSign. In the case of signSigns into faces, the signs in depthDepth shall be the longest of the horizontal dimensions measured for the signs in depthDepth shall be the longest of the horizontal dimensions measured for the signs in depthDepth shall be the longest of the horizontal dimensions measured for the signs in the sin the sin the sin the signs in the signs in the signs in the sign

(m) "Directional Sign" designed in this Ordinance shall mean a sign Sign designed to direct and inform the public as to the location of exits, entrances, service areas, loading and unloading areas, and designated parking spaces or areas, or similar wording of an informational nature.

(n) "Directory Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean A sign Sign that identifies the names and locations of tenants in a multi-tenant building or in a development made up of a group of buildings, and may include identification of incidental services or facilities in the same building or development.

(e) "Erect" as used in this Ordinance shall mean to building, construct, attach, hang, place, suspend or affix, and shall also include the painting of Wall signSigns.

(p) "Florescent Colors" as used in this Ordinance shall mean <u>C</u>colors that reflect not only their own color, but also convert the shorter wave lengths into radiant energy causing them to appear 3 to 4 times as bright as ordinary color. These colors do not reflect light toward its source in the intense manner that Reflectorized materials do, but rather in an amount similar to a white painted surface.

(q) "Free-Standing Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a <u>A signSign</u> detached from any building. Vending machines located outside of a building with images of products for sale that are clearly visible from the public right-of-way shall be considered free standing sign<u>Free-Standing Sign</u>s and shall be bubject to all provisions of this Ordinance.

(s) "Incidental signIncidental Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall shear a sign or generally informational, that has a purpose secondary to the Lot on which it is located, such as 'no parking," "loading only," "telephone," or other similar directives. Additional signSigns that may be considered incidental include but are not limited to "ice," "bottle return," "vacancy/no vacancy," or "service." Traffic warning signSigns such as "Stop" or "Right Turn Only" shall not be considered incidental.

Inflatable or wind signSign-s h a l-include all Any objects in ilated or otherwise supported or moving by air, wind, or other gasses, used to advertise goods or services or direct attention to the property on which it is located, regardless of whether text or graphic are included on the sign.

(t) -"Interpretive Signage" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a ornSign providing information that interprets a natural, historical or cultural resource, event or site. Such size shall be located only on sites directly related to the information contained in the signSign

A free-standing solid Wall or solid earthen berm, made of soil or other aterials Natu cerials as defined in this Ordinance, and not attached by the South Burlington Development Review Board or Administrative to any building, that has 1 appro Officer in accordance with the provision of the South B lington Land Development Regulations, as amended. Fences shall not be cons ered landso ape features for pu poses of this ordinance, irrespective of the material of which the fence is mad

shall mean a <u>A</u> design that represents goods, identity or service.

(w) "Lot" seased in this Ordinance shall mean a A parcel of land owned by a lot owner_Lot Owner, the boundaries of which are: 1) established by a deed or deeds recorded in the land records of the City of South Burlington, and the records of any public road right-or-way; or 2) shown on a plat approved by the South Burlington Planning Commission or Development Review Board pursuant to subdivision regulations, provided such approval has not expired

(v) Logo

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When a lot owner owns a lot which fails to meet minimum lot size requirements under the South Burlington Land Development Regulations and such lot is contiguous to another lot owned by the same lot owner, such contiguous lots shall constitute a single lot, except that: 1) contiguous lots which as of June 7, 1947 were devoted to separate and unrelated uses shall constitute separate lots so long as such lots continue to be devoted to separate and unrelated uses; or 2) contiguous lots which are devoted to uses approved as separate under the South Burlington Land Development Regulations shall constitute separate lots provided such uses are conducted in compliance with the terms and conditions of the approvals granted; or 3) contiguous lots which are shown on a plat approved by the South Burlington Planning Commission or Development Review Board pursuant to subdivision regulations shall constitute separate lots provided such approval has not expired.

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(aa) "Marquees, canopies or awningsMarquees, Canopies or Awnings" as esced in this Ordinance shall mean b Building mounted fabric and frame constructions or free-standing fabric (or other similar material) and frame that is attached to a building and used for seasonal and/or advertising purposes that do or do not contain graphics or signSign information for a particular establishment.

(e) "Marquee, Awning, canopyCanopy or marquee Awning signSig his Ordinance shall mean Logos and lettering on awningAwnings, Canopies or marquee s associated with such es, and gr Logos and lettering. Such signSigns shall be considered Wal n<u>Sign</u>s, incidenta Incidental Signs or directional signDirectional Signs for purposes of this Ordinar based on the informatio nveyed, and shall be counted towards the maximum number and area of sig a of Signs permitted for a buil or property in accordance with the standards for the applicable type eaArea of the sig anSign. Signs shall be calculated using the provisions for cut outCut-Out Letters in hed under "Area of a Sign" above.

(bb) "Mural" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a A purely decorative treatment on the exterior Wall of a building that does not have the overtuntent or effect of advertising a product or service for sale or an agency, organization or business.

(cc) "Name Plate Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean any signing not more than one (1) square foot in area used to identify the owner or owners of a private residence.

(dd) "Natural Materials" as used in this Orchaense shall mean-il_Indigenous materials such as plants, shrubs, trees, wood that is stained or painted a neutral brown or grey color, unpainted stone, decorative textured masonry or concrete, and unpainted brick. "Natural Materials" shall not include glass or smooth (untextured) poured concrete for purposes of this Ordinance.

(ee) "Off-Premise Signage" sused in this Ordin the same premises where the goods, entity or services advertised are located.

(ff) "Parapet Wall" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a <u>A</u> low Wall along the edge of a roof, and being a portion of the Wall which extends above the line of the roof, with the exterior to the extension forming a continuous plane with the Wall below.

Perpendicular Sign as used in this Ordi to the wall of a building or structure perpendicular to the face of said W purposes of this Ordinance.

is Ordinance shall mean a Sign attached to, or hanging from a structure attached ucture with the exposed face of the Sign in a plane perpendicular or roughly said Wall. A perpendicular Sign shall not be considered a Wall Sign for the

(gg) "Person as used in this Ordinance shall mean and include a<u>A</u>ny person<u>Person</u>, individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or <u>incorporated or unincorporated</u> organization o<u>r group o</u>f any kind.

(hh) "Plate Line" as used in this Ordinance shall mean the point at which any part of the roof structure first touches, or bears upon, an external Wall.

(iii) "Point-of-Purchase Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean the signage that advertises a product at its point of sale, or "point of purchase" location.

(jj) "Principal Public faFaçade" of a building, as used in this Ordinance fFor purposes of calculating maximum total Wall signSign area, shall mean the main building façade facing a public street or another façade that functions as a Principal faFaçade with an actively used public entryway, subject to the approval and discretion of the_as determined by the Code Officer. There shall be no more than one Principal Public faFaçade per building.

_(kk) Projecting Sign" or "perpendicular sign" as used in this Ordinance means any sign attached to a building or other structure and extending in whole or in part more than nine (9) incluse beyond the building line, or more than fifteen (15) inches in the case of raceway sign.

(III) "Raceway Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a <u>A</u> signSign comprised of channel or other cut- out<u>Cut-</u> <u>Out</u> figures or letters mounted to an electrical enclosure, with the enclosure being smaller than the height of the attached letters.

(mm) "Reader Board" shall mean a <u>A signSign</u> to which letters are not permanently secured or affixed and/or which is wheeled or otherwise readily moveable. The term "reader board<u>Reader board</u>" shall not include "A-fFrame"-or "sSandwich bBoard" signSigns.

(nn) "Reflectorized" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a<u>A</u>ny material that reflects light back toward its source in an intensity many times greater than would be reflected by a white painted surface. Reflectorized materials may include but are not limited to reflective sheeting glass beads and glass or plastic reflectors.

(00) "Residential District" as used in this ordinance shall include t<u>i</u>he following zoning districts as defined in the South Burlington Land Development Regulations as presently in force or hereafter adopted and amended from time to time: Residential 1, Residential 2, Residential 4, Residential 7, Queen City Park, Lakeshore Neighborhood, and <u>all</u> Southeast Quadrant <u>Sub-districts</u>.

(pp) "Roof Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall flear aAny sign arected in any way upon a building or structure which extends above the roof line of the building or structure.

Sidewalk sign. A tempo moveabl n to be place a sidewalk, walkway, plaza, or outdoor sale or seating space. Sidewalk signs ntended to ead by pede ns and not designed to be read by passing motorists. --Sign" as and include every signSign, billboard, bulletin-(qq) boardBoard, free standing , wall sign, window sign, roof signRoof Sign, illuminated ee-Standing sign and clude aAny letter, word, number, model, muralMural decoration, banner, gnia, light or combination of lights, used or placed as an announcement flag. r t. clock. ometer or aration to identif vertise d promote the interest of any personPerson when the same is placed in of the general public m outside the structure on which the signSign is placed or any signSign type in this Ordinance. ide

(rrr) "Temporary Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a<u>A</u>ny signSign for a limited period of time for advertising or informational purposes supplementary to or in place of existing permanent signSigns.

(ss) "Traveled WWay" as used in this Ordinance shall mean time a vertice or otherwise surfaced area of a public street or road intended for use by vehicular traffic, including aprons, shoulders, and curbing, but not including a sidewalk or recreation path.

(tt) "Wall Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean a signSign attached to, painted on, and/or erected against the Wall of a building or structure with the exposed face of the signSign in a plane parallel or roughly parallel to the face of said Wall (including any interior Wall) whether attached to Windows or otherwise, which is placed in view of the general public from outside the building or structure.

(uu) "Wall" as used in this Ordinance shall mean t<u>T</u>he surface area of any major plan unit of any side or face of a building.

_(w) "Wayfinding" as used in this Ordinance shall mean s<u>Signs with maps or other graphics used to</u> convey location and directions to travelers, and not used for any advertising purpose.

(ww) "Window" as used in this Ordinance shall mean t The total area of transparent panes within a single supporting sash structure, excluding muntins. Panes divided by muntins shall not be considered individual Windows; the total area of all panes and muntins within a single supporting sash structure shall constitute the total area of the Window. Transparent panes inside a door frame shall be considered "Windows" for purposes of this Ordinance, subject to the judgment and discretion of the Code Officer.

(w) "Window Sign" as used in this Ordinance shall mean <u>A</u> sign by attached to, painted on, or erected against the interior or exterior of a Window with the exposed face of the signSign in a plane parallel or roughly parallel to the face of said Window located so as to be readable primarily from the exterior of the Window. Products for display shall not constitute a Window signSign.

(yy) When the words "maintain a sign" or words of similar effect are used herein, the same refers to allowing the signSign to continue in existence and shall not be taken to refer to keeping the signSign in good order.

SECTION 43. Permits Required

It shall be unlawful for any <u>personPerson</u> to Erect, alter or relocate within the City of South Burlington, any <u>signSign</u>, as defined in this Ordinance, without first obtaining a <u>signSign</u> permit from the Code Officer, in accordance with all the provisions of this Ordinance. Any <u>signSign</u> not expressly permitted by the provisions of this Ordinance is expressly prohibited.

SECTION 54. Permit Fee

Every applicant, before being granted a permit hereunder, shall pay to the City Treasurer such permit fee or fees in accordance with the schedule of fees accorded by resolution of the City Council, and as amended from time to time.

SECTION 65. Dorset Street/City Center Sign District.

(A) **Purpose.** There is hereby designated and created the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, the boundaries of which are shown on a plan mapentitled, " Dorset Street/City Center Sign District", dated July 22, 1998, which plan map is incorporated into and made a part of this Ordinance as Appendixces A and B.

This special the special district is designated to reflect the long term goal of the City to develop Dorset Street and the City Center area as an attractive mixed-use, well-designed, integrated focal point for the City. The area is to be a <u>mixed use</u>, <u>bedestrian oriented downtown primarily residential</u>, <u>office</u>, <u>retail and municipal</u> core for South Burlington. This special the <u>regn</u> district is <u>also</u>-intended to promote the intended pedestrian orientation for the future of the district as well as to ensure pedestrian and traffic safety, to encourage the effectiveness and clarity of <u>signSign</u> communication, and to maintain and enhance the aesthetic quality within the district.

(B) <u>Application Materials:</u> For any Lot in the City Center Sign District on which the owner proposes to Erect one or more Signs requiring a permit, the owner shall submit a Permanent Sign Permit application containing the following information:

(1) An accurate plot plan of the Lot, at such scale as the Code Officer may reasonably require;

(2) Location of buildings, parking Lots, driveways and landscaped areas on such Lot;

(3) The location, size, date of installation, and status of all non-complying Signs on the property, if applicable.

(4) The design parameters for the City Center Sign District, in accordance with (B) below, including overall parameters and the design and location of any proposed individual Signs.

(5) <u>The location and specifications of all proposed light fixtures and lighting elements, including cut sheets</u> <u>if applicable.</u>

(1)(6) A proposed general design for any Incidental and Directional Signs or Netwoperty, other than those with designs prescribed by law.

(B)(C) Standards for Design Review. The parameters for the erect on, alteration or r tion of any sign<u>Sign</u>, except for temporary, Window and exempt signSigns, located with nin the Dorset Street/City er Sign District, as depicted on the above referenced planmap, shall require design approval by the Code Officer of th Burlington Design Review Committee and Development Review Board. Such shall he required for to issuance design ap of a signSign permit by the Code Officer. In reviewing an app design approval, the Design Review tion Committee and Code Officer or Development Review Board shall co the following:

(1) Consistent Design: the design of a side is shall consider and be compatible and harmonious with the design of buildings on the property and nearby. The design of all signs on a property shall promote consistency in terms of color, graphic style, lighting, location, material and proportions.

(2) Promote City Center Goals: signSigns shall be designed and located in a manner which reinforces and respects the overall stated goals of the signSign district and City Center <u>chapter of the Comprehensive</u> Plan, including a high aesthetic quality and pedestrian orientation.

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(3) Materials Used: signs to shall be designed and constructed of high-quality materials complimentary to the materials used in the buildings to which the signSigns are related

(4) Multi-Tenant Boildinks. Wall see Signs attached to multi-tenant buildings shall contain a consistent mounting (for example, cut out letters, lettering on raceway, etc.) and shall have consistent lighting where lighting is proposed. Multi-tenant buildings shall display no more than two styles of Wall Signs at any one time. Where permitted, Free-Standing Signs associated with multi-tenant buildings shall use signs of the same size and cols, design

(C) **Directory Signs**. In the **Dor** set Street/City Center Sign District, the City of South Burlington will establish a uniform Directory Sign System to be constructed and maintained by the City in the public right of way at designated locations and designed to serve businesses, offices and entities which share a curb cut, building or group of buildings. All businesses, offices, services, agencies and entities which share an entry or property are entitled to participate in this system for a fee as established and adopted by the City Council and included as part of the Schedule for Permit Fees. The fee will cover the initial cost of sign panel fabrication for the individual entity, as well as an appropriate percentage of the maintenance and management costs for the directory sign. Any business or entity participating in this directory sign system is allowed to do so without losing any of its total permissible sign area. Signs on this directory, therefore, will be in addition to the allowable sign area for the participating business or entity.

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(D) Entry Signs. In the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, entry signs which contain the words "enter" or "exit" and or related/similar wording are permitted as ground mounted or post-mounted signs and are not to exceed three (3) square feet. Included on these signs may be a reference to a business or office or building only where that business is not directly served by a curb-cut at the property itself and shares a curb-cut with another —or multiple businesses or entities, and when this circumstance occurs the total area of one side may not exceed four (4) square feet. Such entry signs shall be allowed in addition to permitted free-standing and directional signs for the property. It is also desirable to coordinate lettering and design of these signs with the overall signage for the property it serves.

(E)(D) Establishments Selling Gasoline. Establishments selling gasoline located within the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District shall be subject to all provisions of Section 221 of this Ordinance, and also shall be subject to the design review standards of this Section 65.

SECTION 76. Application for Sign Permit

(A) Except as otherwise provided, all applications for the Dorset Street/City Center Sign Visitict shall follow the procedure for Master Signage Permits set forth in Section 87 of the Ordinance:

(B)(A)_Applications for all other signSign permits shall be made upon forms provided by the Code Officer, and shall have attached thereto the following information and such other information pertaining to the proposed signSign as the Code Officer may reasonably require.

- (1) Name, address and telephone number of applicant and property owner.
- (2) Location of building, structure, or lot to which, or upon which, the stranging is to be attached.
- (3) Position of the signSign in relation to nearby buildings or structures.

(4) Plans (drawn to scale) and specifications including size and color of the signSign and its various parts, the style of letter, material of which <u>SignSign</u> is to be constructed, and the method of attachment to the buildings or in the ground.

- (5) A color sketch of the signSign and building as they would appear in relation to each other.
- (6) Statement as to method of illumination and intensity of the signSign.

(7) If required by the Code Officer, a copy of stress sheets and calculations showing that the structure is designed for dead load and wind pressure in any direction in the amount required by this and all other laws and Ordinances of the City.

Name, address and telephone number of personPerson erecting the signSign.

(9) Written consent of the owner of the building, structure, and land to which or on which the signSign is to be elected.

(C)(B) Except a provided in sub-section (d) below, within ten-thirty (1030) working days after receipt of all of the foregoing information, together with the permit fee specified in Section 54 hereof, the Code Officer shall review the application for compliance with this Ordinance and shall render a decision to approve or disapprove the application. In rendering a decision, the Code Officer shall determine whether the application complies with the requirements of this Ordinance, is compatible with surrounding architecture and uses, and does not create an adverse effect on the scenic or aesthetic quality of the area. In making his determination the Code Officer shall review each application in light of the purposes of this Ordinance and applicable design standards. When the Code Officer deems it necessary, an architect may be retained to assist in the review of individual applications, at the applicant's sole cost and expense.

(D)(C) If the Code Officer determines that the application for the signSign does not comply with all provisions of this Ordinance, the Code Officer shall, within the period noted above, notify the applicant in writing of the decision to disapprove the application, which notice shall include a statement of reasons for disapproval, and shall refund the permit fee in full. Such statement shall include a description of the manner in which the application can be brought into conformance with these regulations. If an application is approved, a permit shall be issued and forwarded to the applicant within the time period noted above.

SECTION 87. Master Signage PermitsDesignation

(F) At such time as a new or amended permit is sought after the effective date of this Ordinance, all properties in the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District seeking a signSign_permit or permits and all multi-tenant buildings or multi-building-complexes-located wholly or partially within the R7-NC district shall submit a complete, new application for a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> to the Design Review Committee<u>Development Review Board</u>, irrespective of the status of past approvals. The new Permit <u>Designation</u> shall not invalidate the provisions of any existing approval, exemption or agreement with respect to signage; rather, it is instead intended to clarify the approved parameters for signage subject to a Master Signage Permit<u>Designation</u>. Upon approval of a new Master Signage PermitDesignation, permittees shall use the review and amendment procedures set forth in this Section.

(G) In the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, no permit shall be issued for an individual sign<u>Sign</u> requiring a permit unless and until a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> for the Lot on which the sign<u>Sign</u>(s) will be erected has been approved as conforming with the provisions of this Ordinance. In the case of a planned unit development (PUD), a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> shall be required for the entire PUD. An owner of a multi-tenant building or multi-building commercial property located anywhere outside the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, and a sponsor of a project involving Interpretive Signage or Wayfinding, also may apply for a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> as provided herein.

(H) For any Lot on which the owner proposes to Erect one or more sign<u>Sign</u>s requiring a permit, the owner shall submit an application for a new or amended Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> containing the following information:

(2) An accurate plot plan of the Lot, at such scale as the Code Officer may reasonably require;

(3) Location of buildings, parking Lots, driveways and landscaped areas on such Lot;

(4) Computation of the maximum area, number and height of signSigns, by signSign type (i.e., free-standing, Wall, etc.) allowed on the property under this Ordinance, and computation of the area and height of each signSign proposed for the property;

(5) The location, size, date of installation, and status of all non-complying signSigns on the property, if applicable.

(6) The design parameters for the Master Signage PermitDesignation, in accordance with (Dd) below, including overall parameters and the design and location of any proposed individual signSigns.

(7) The location and specifications of all proposed light fixtures and lighting elements, including cut sheets if applicable.

(8) A proposed general design for any Incidental and directional sign<u>Directional Sign</u>s on the property, other than those with designs prescribed by law.

(I) Design.

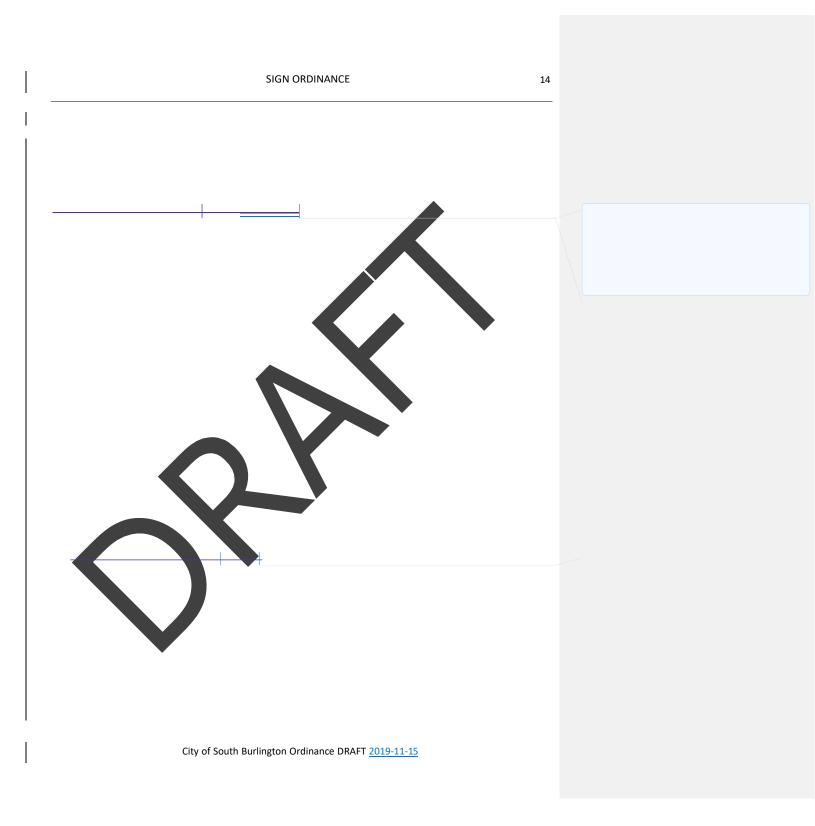
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(1) The initial application for a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> shall establish a consistent set of parameters for the shapes, materials, foreground and background color schemes, typefaces, sizes, installations and sign<u>Sign</u> types to be utilized for a property and shall include color illustrations thereof.

(2) Applicants are strongly encouraged to specify parameters that will lead over time to creating a strong consistency of shape, foreground and background color scheme, typeface, size, and installation in order to ensure that all signage on a property is in accordance with the goals of the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District.

(3) <u>All Master Signage Permit Designation_applications shall specify how operations of these graphic elements will be used to relate all of the signSigns to each other visually.</u>

(4) Applicants may request a review and approval of a range of potential sizes for individual sign<u>Sign</u>s, so that an application for an individual sign<u>Sign</u> of approved materials, color and design that is within an<u>approved</u> size range will require only approval of the Code Officer.

(J) Other Provisions of Master Signage PermitsDesignations.

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(1) The property owner of record shall be the principal constituee for a Master Signage Constituence.
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(1) The Design Review Committee<u>Development Review Board</u>shall review the initial application for a Master Signage Permit, or for an amendment of a Master Signage Permit<u>Designation</u>. Such application must_be made and signed by the property owner. Upon a recommendation for approval by the Design Review Committee, the Development Review Board shall review and act upon the application for an initial Master Signage Permit or amendment thereof.

(2) Subsequent app ons fo dividual sig <u>permits pursuant to a Master Signage Permit</u> DEsignation may be made by tenants, with a pro owner signature required for applications. Such Ahster Signage applications made nu nit shall not require review by the Design Review Committee. The Code Of tion for its consistency with the approved design and dimensional parameters in ster Signage PermitDesignation, and for consistency with the applicable dimensi trativ ards in this Ordinance. Copies of the Code Officer's permit or denial shall applicant, and shall become part of the Master Signage Permit. be se the proper er and

> of a Masser Signage Permit<u>Designation</u>, as opposed to approval of sign<mark>Sign</mark>s by to an existing, effective Master Signage Permit, shall require approval by the velopment Review Board in the same manner as for a new Master Signage

Signs on Properties Subject to Master Signage PermitsDesignation

(1) The non-conversion of other signSigns on the same property or subject to the same Master Signage Permit <u>Designation shall not prevent individual tenants from making applications for individual signSign</u> permits in accordance with a valid Master Signage PermitDesignation.

(2) Alteration of Non Conforming Signs. Where there is any change to a non conforming signSign, a permit must be obtained from the Design Review Committee and Code Officer. To gain approval the signSign must be brought into full compliance with the provisions of the Master Signage Permit Designation for the

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property on which it is located and all other applicable provisions of this Ordinance. Routine maintenance of non complying sign<u>Sign</u>s may be done provided there is no change at all to the color, shape, size, lighting, materials, or any other design or physical feature of the sign<u>Sign</u>.

(N)(E)_Binding Effect. An approved Master Signage <u>Designation</u>Permit shall be binding upon and run with the land. No sign<u>Sign</u> shall be erected, placed, painted or maintained except in conformance with such Permit, and such Permit may be enforced in the same way as any provision of this Ordinance. In case of any conflict between the provisions of such Permit and any other provisions of this Ordinance, the Ordinance shall control.

SECTION 98. Free-Standing Signs

Free standing signFree-Standing Signs are permitted only in accordance with the following provisions:._-

(A) All <u>free_standing_signFree-Standing_Sign</u>s and the premises surf sunding same shall be maintained by the owner thereof in a clean, sanitary and inoffensive condition, and free and clear of all obnoxious substances, rubbish and weeds. <u>Free-standing signFree-Standing Signs</u> shall be so designed as to be self-supporting without the need for guy wires, cables, chains, lines, or other similar ancillary supports.

(B) Number of Signs Per Lot. The maximum number of free standing of the standing signs on a Lot shall be as follows:

(1) Except as provided in Section 232(e) increased and below, there shall not be more than one free standing signFree-Standing Sign for each separate bot, regardless of how many businesses or commercial entities are located on such Lot.

(2) Lots on which the Development Review Board has granted approval for the development of the property with two (2) or more separate entrances to a public road shall be entitled to additional free standing signFree-Standing Signs where:

(a) each entrance is separated from each other entrance by a distance in excess of greater than three hundred (300) feet, as measured from center line to center line between the two entrances; and

(b) the number of proposed to <u>standing sign</u>, <u>re-Standing Sign</u>s for the property does not exceed the number of public read entrances that meet the standards set forth above; and

(c) the proposed free ten sing sign<u>Free-Standing Sign</u>s are located within twenty-five (25) feet of the approved entrances.

(C) Lots on which a community garden is operated and maintained as an accessory use to a principal permitted use may have one (1) additional free-standing sign of no more than twenty-four (24) square feet, so long as such sign clearly advertises the community garden project and does not constitute an additional sign for the principal permitted use. Such sign may be displayed from May 1 through November 30 and shall require a sign permit.

(D) Sign Location. No part of a free-standing sign Free-Standing Sign shall be placed in such manner as to visually obstruct traffic.

(1) No part of a <u>see-standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> which is forty (40) square feet or less in size shall be <u>placed closer than five (5) feet to from</u> any property line, subject to the following:

- (a) Public sidewalk or recreation path exists in public right-of-way:
 - (i) Where the outer edge of the public right-of-way is less than five (5) feet from the outer edge of the public sidewalk or recreation path, no part of a <u>free-standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> shall be

placed closer than five (5) feet from the outer edge of the public sidewalk or recreation path. In no case shall a <u>free standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> be placed closer than one (1) foot from the public right-of-way. (see illustration 9-1)

(ii) Where the outer edge of the public right-of-way is five (5) feet or more from the outer edge of the public sidewalk or recreation path, no part of a free standing signFree-Standing Sign shall be placed closer than one (1) foot from the right-of-way. (see illustration 9-2)

(b) No public sidewalk or recreation path exists in public right-of-way:

(i) Where the outer edge of the public right-of-way is less than eleven (11) feet from the outer edge of the Traveled Way, no part of a freestanding signSign shall be placed closer than five (5) feet from the right-of-way. (see illustration 9-3)

(ii) Where the outer edge of the public right-of-way is eleven (11) feet formore, but less than fifteen (15) feet from the outer edge of the traveled way, no part of a <u>free standing on Free-Standing Sign</u> shall be placed closer than sixteen (16) feet from the outer edge of the Traveled Way. (see illustration 9-4)

(iii) Where the outer edge of the public right-of way is fifteen (15) feet or more from the outer edge of the Traveled Way, no part of a free-standing signFree Virtual Sign shall be placed closer than one (1) foot from the right-of-way. (see illustration 9-5)

(2) No part of a free standing signFree standing sign region of Sign which is larger than forty (40) square feet in size shall be placed closer than twenty (20) feet to any property line.

(2)(3) No free-standing sign shall be located with in an area demarked as a designated Open SpaceCivic Space or Site Amenity on a plan approved under the Land Development Regulations, except as provided for in Section 8(C) [Community Gardens].

(E) Area of a Free-standing SignFree-Standing Sign.

(<u>1</u>) The areaArea of a free stand of sign<u>Free-Statute</u> Sign shall be the total area within the outer edge of the sign<u>Sign</u>, excluding the supporting structure, provided the total area of the supporting structure is within the limits set forth in subsection (a) below. Any area of a support structure that exceeds the limits set forth in subsection (fee) below shall be counted as sign<u>Sign</u> area (Illustrations 9-6 and 9-7).

(2) A ce-stand compression ling Sign which is located on a lot of less than 40,000 square feet shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in this sign area.

(3) Except as provided in this subsection, a free standing signFree-Standing Sign which is located on a Lot of 40,000 square feet or more shall not exceed forty (40) square feet in signSign area. A freestanding signSign on a Lot of 40,000 square feet or more may be eligible for additional signSign area in accordance with the following provisions.

(a) A Let which contains two hundred (200) or more feet of contiguous frontage on one public street and which contains 10,000 or more square feet of building area shall be eligible for additional signSign area above the forty (40) square foot maximum established in (3) above. The amount of additional signSign area shall be based on Lot frontage and/or building size as indicated in Table 9.1. In no case shall the maximum size of a free standing signFree-Standing Sign area exceed eighty (80) square feet.

(b) Approval of a signSign under this section shall be subject to the requirement that the Lot on which the signSign is located together with the building(s) thereon shall continue to meet the standards on which approval was granted. At the time of any alteration of Lot frontage or building size, the Code Officer shall

re-determine the allowable <u>signSign</u> area under regulations then in effect, and, if such regulations require a <u>signSign</u> with reduced <u>signSign</u> area, shall direct the property owner to install a <u>signSign</u> meeting such reduced <u>signSign</u> area requirement within three (3) months of such determination.

(4) The maximum height of a free-standing sign<u>Free-Standing Sign</u> shall be fifteen (15) feet, measured from the average finished grade at the base of the sign<u>Sign</u> to the highest portion of any part of the sign<u>Sign</u> structure.

[5] For Lots which contain lawfully more than one (1) <u>free-standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> as provided in subsection (b) above and which qualify for a <u>free-standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> are than forty (40) square feet as provided in (3) above, no more than one (1) <u>free-standing signFree-Standing sign</u> on the Lot may exceed forty (40) square feet in size.

(6) No signSign and/or support structure dimension shall exceed the other by more than five (5) times. In the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, no dimension shall exceed the other by more than four (4) times.

(7) In all districts, the <u>depthDepth</u> of the <u>signSign</u> and support structure shall not be visually disproportionate to the other dimensions of the <u>signSign</u>.

(8) Area calculations shall exclude planters, provided such planters are no more than three (3) feet tall, no more than two (2) times the width of the <u>signSign</u>, have no advertising or <u>logoLogo</u>s attached, and are used for plants and landscaping. Any area of a planter that exceeds three (3) feet in height or two (2) times the width of the <u>signSign</u>, and any planter that has advertising or <u>logoLogo</u>s attached, shall be counted as <u>signSign</u> area.

(F) Free standing SignFree-Standing Sign Support Structures. The area of a sign Sign support structure shall not be included in calculating the areaArea of a free Stating structure standing State, subject to the following limitations and provisions:

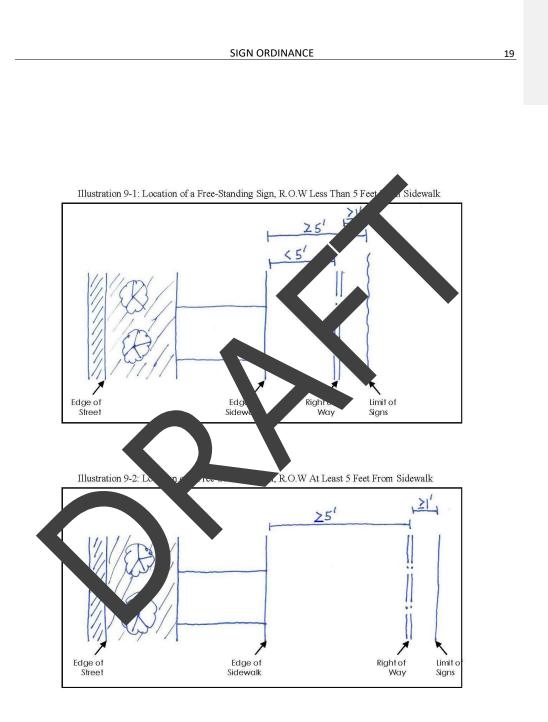
(1) Support structures shall not incorporate of include any attachments, lettering, logoLogos, or graphics. Any support structure that includes attachments, lettering, logoLogos, or graphics, shall be counted as part of signSign area.

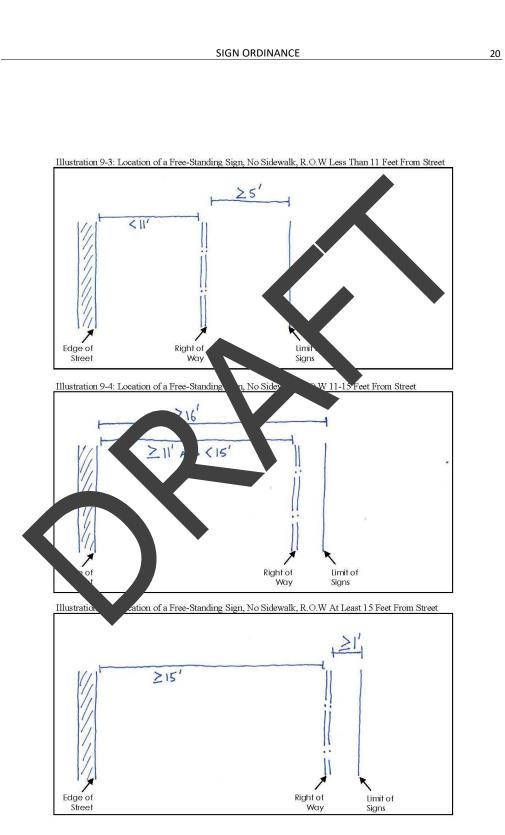
(2) No support structure and no part of any support structure shall be internally illuminated.

(3) For a free-stand weight be sign area, supports of up to one (1) foot wide each shall be exempt from calculation of the area of the support structure. If the signSign and the support structure are less than six (6) feet in height at the highest point from the average finished grade, two supports up to two (2) feet wide each shall be exempt from calculation of the area of the support structure.

Notwithstanding the provisions of (23) above, for a free standing signFree-Standing Sign and/or support structure with a combined height of up to ten (10) feet at the highest point from the average finished grade, the total area of the support structure may not exceed one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the areaArea of the signSign. If the support structure of such a signSign extends more than one (1) foot past the edge of the signSign, the total area of the support structure shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the areaArea of the signSign (Illustration 9-8).

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of (23) above, for a free standing signFree-Standing Sign and/or support structure with a combined height of more than ten (10) feet at the highest point from the average finished grade, the total area of the support structure shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the areaArea of the signSign, and shall not extend more than one (1) foot horizontally in each direction beyond the horizontal edges of the signSign (Illustration 9-8).

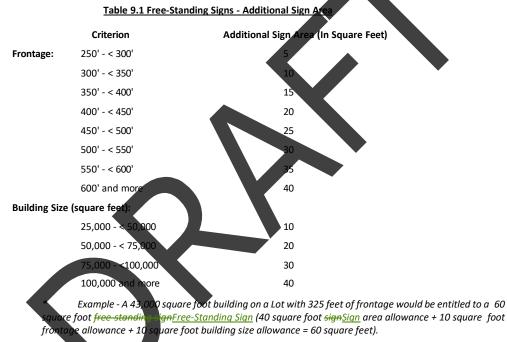




(G) Additional Standards. All free standing signFree-Standing Signs must meet the following additional standards:

(1) All free standing signFree-Standing Signs are to be designed and constructed of suitable materials and erected and located in a manner which reinforces and respects the overall stated goals of this Ordinance.

(2) All free standing signFree-Standing Signs shall have a base condition that is landscaped in an aesthetically pleasing or appropriate manner with hardy plant materials and/or elements that will remain attractive throughout the year, or finished in such a manner, whether in groundcover lawn or hard surfaces so as to be appropriate and maintained for the entire year in an attractive manner. Such landscaping may be planted in the ground at the base, or may be in planters, provided the planters are fixed to the ground or signSign.



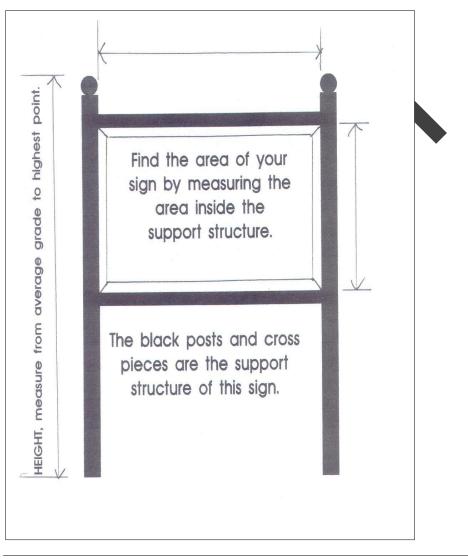
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16,000 square foot building on a Lot with 210 feet of frontage would be entitled to a 70 ong sign<u>Free-Standing Sign</u> (40 square foot sign<u>Sign</u> area allowance + 0 square foot 30 square foot building size allowance = 70 square feet).

(3) — Signs or emblems indicating membership in national or regional organizations, including credit card signs, or informing the public that gifts, trading stamps, or similar promotional items are available on the premises, shall not be separately fastened to the outer edge or support structure of the principal sign. Such features shall be displayed against the principal sign face.

(4)(3) __Street names and numbers may be affixed to a <u>free standing signFree-Standing Sign</u> or its support structure and shall be exempt from area calculations so long as the letters do not exceed three (3) inches in height and numbers do not exceed six (6) inches in height.

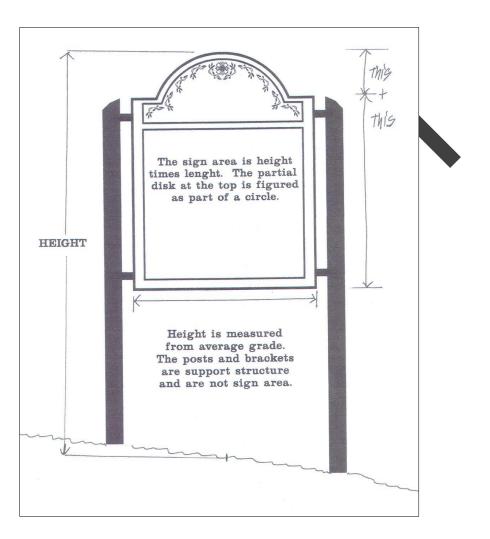
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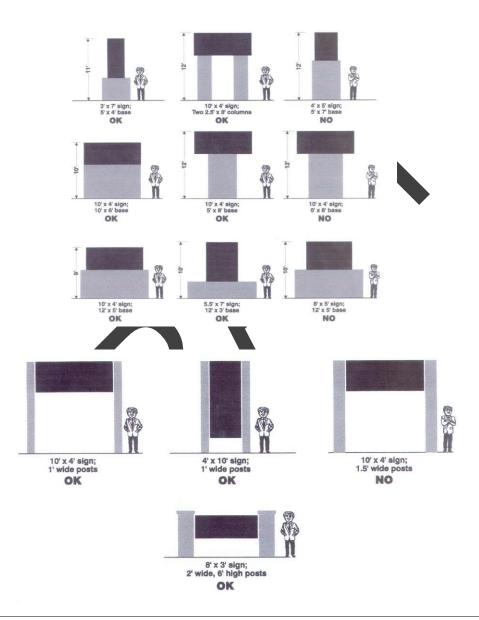
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Illustration 9-7 Area of a Free-Standing Sign









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(5)(4) <u>Free standing signFree-Standing Signs</u> may not have changeable message areas unless required by the nature of the business or other approved land use itself, such as theaters, <u>churches and other housesplaces</u> of worship, public and independent educational facilities accredited by the State of Vermont for elementary, secondary and higher education, <u>motels and hotels</u>, <u>conference facilities</u>, and establishments deriving a majority of their income as venues for the performing arts, <u>and subject to the discretion and approval of the Code Officer</u>. Any such changeable message area may not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the allowable sign area, and the dimensions and location thereof must be specified when an application for a <u>signSign</u> permit is made.

Dorset Street/City Center Sign District. Free-standing sign Free-Standing Sign (H) ng Dorset Street are to be located in a signSign corridor that begins adjacent to the road Right of Way and run teen (16) feet from the edge of the Right of Way toward the building face. In those instances where dimensi is do not provide for a two (2) foot setback from the Right of Way before a signSign support post ca d. it is permitted to Erect a centered single pole mounted signSign of which the road side edge of the ectly outside the R.O.W. signSign line. Free-standing sign Free-Standing Signs in the Dorset Street/City ceed thirty-two (32) er District may square feet in overall dimensions and may be no higher than twee (12) feet, measured fro the average finished grade at the base of the signSign to the highest point of any par of the sign<u>Sign</u> structure.

(1) After September 1, 2015******, new Freeng Sign es in the City Ce r Sign District (1)shall only be permitted within sixteen (16) feet of the edge street, Kennedy Drive, Patchen Road, San Remo Drive, White Street, and Williston Road rights-of v existing Free-Standing Sign structure lawfully in existence on or before Septema 2015 in the enter Sign District, may be normally maintained, repaired, or replaced in the Any replac of Signs within the Sign structure shall be in accordance with the standards of

<u>(2)</u> After ******, no Free Standing Signs she Lee permitted in the City Center Sign District except where explicitly provided for in Article 8.H.1 above.

Additional free for permitted drive-through establishments. Lots with (1) ing signFree anding <u>Sign</u>s an automobile service use on a p rmitted e-through facility, including car washes, banks, and drive-through retail and restaurant establishments (1) Free-Standing menu board signSign in addition to one (1) freestanding sign Free St nitted in accordance with this Section. A menu board signSign shall not exceed ding Sign p including cladding and support structure, and shall not exceed six (6) feet forty-eight overall and graphics on the menu board shall not be legible from a public roadway. in height any point. The Lands ing or other suitable eening shall be used to screen the menu board generally from nearby public roadw aths and sidewalks.

(J) nant buildings and multi-building complexes in the R7-NC zoning district. Notwithstanding Mu where in this ordinance, a multi-tenant building or multi-building structure under contrary else provisions to common manage t and ership which is located wholly or partially within the R7-NC zoning district, and approved curb cut onto a public roadway, may have one (1) free standing signFreewhich has more that Standing Sign of up to forty (40) square feet and one (1) additional free standing signFree-Standing Sign per additional approved curb cut onto a public roadway, with any such additional signSigns not exceeding twenty (20) square feet in area and twelve (12) feet in height. The sign Sign area Area of the free standing sign Free-Standing Signs may be designed and used in whole or in part as a directory for the tenants or services contained within the building or complex.

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Commented [MG15]: For clarity - do we want to push all freestanding signs towards the road or away from it? I'm imagining walking down Williston road in ten years with signs all pressed up against the sidewalk...

Commented [MG17]: Should these standards be duplicated or referenced in Article 5 (City Center)?

SECTION 109. Wall Signs

Wall signSigns shall be permitted only in accordance with the following provisions:

Number of Wall signSigns. The allowable number and areaArea of Wall signSigns shall be as set forth in (A) Table 10-1 below.

Single-tenant buildings and single-building properties. Area of Wall signSigns. (B)

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the total areaArea of all Wall signSigns shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the area of the Principal publicPublic faFaçade of the building or one hundred (100) square feet, whichever is smaller.

In no case shall any individual Wall signSign exceed fifteen per ent (15%) of the area of the façade to (2)which it is attached.

(C) In the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, Wall sign Sign not project above the roof or parapet of a building nor below the top of any first floor doorway unless per through the design review approval process.

^t t shall be unlawful for any personPerson to Erect, alter, maintain or felocate any Wall sign, <u>yen</u> that covers, (D) wholly or partially, any Wall opening or to Erect, alter, maintain or eloca te any Wall signSign that projects beyond the ends or top of the Wall to which it is attached. A Wall opening is ening exclusively provided for a Window, door or removable panel.

(E) Multi-tenant buildings and multi-building

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(1)Lots on which there is located com cial development consisting of two (2) or more distinct and separate businesses ("multi-tenant buildings" or ulti-building properties") shall be entitled to additional Wall rdance with the formula set forth in Table 10-1. signSigns whose allowable area and number shall b in a

(2) In a multi-tenant bui e shall be a n prum of two (2) Wall signSigns per individual tenant. The maximum area of an individual Wall ign shall be percent (5%) of the individual tenant's storefront area, calculated as shown in Illustration 10r one hundred (100) square feet, whichever is smaller.

ouilding properties located outside of the Dorset Owners of mu ant Street/City Center Sign Dis o obtain a Master Signage Permit <u>Designation</u> from the ordance with Section 87 of this Ordinance. Once a Master Signage Permit 4 Board signage for that property shall be reviewed in accordance with the II cha Multi-tenant buildings for which there is a valid Master Signage Section 8 imum allowable area of all Wall signSigns and individual tenant nation may the provided in T 10 1. A property owner choosing this option may shall be responsible for he allowable ar f Wall sign<u>Sign</u>s among individual tenants in a manner which vari<u>esous from</u> the allocation shall be submitted as part of a Master Signage Permit application. enant. Any

which paint, lighting or other treatments are used to highlight or enclose an area of Areas of Wa within (F) Iters or other signSigns are installed shall be deemed to be part of the Wall signSign for all Wall on which cutout I intents and purposes of this Ordinance, and shall be subject to all applicable provisions of this Ordinance.

Areas of Walls or facades that are translucent and lit in a manner that reinforces the brand of one or more tenants shall be deemed to be a Wall Sign for all intents and purposes of this Ordinance, and shall be subject to all applicable provisions of this Ordinance.

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Commented [PC20]: Is there a process for this?

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Commented [MG22R21]: It is 100 square feet for any tenant, anywhere - in a single-tenant building the total area allowed is the

Commented [PC23]: Allow option. 5%/100 sf per tenant

Commented [PC24]: Does this cover the dealerships?

b) <u>Any wall or other</u> f one or more tenants sh			cent and lit in a manner that reinfo	orces the brand
			unrelated uses in existence prior t	o February 6,
995 shall be subject to th	e following provisi	ons:		
(1) If the Lot does in accordance with su			each structure shall be entitled to	Wall sign <u>Sign</u> s
		g sign<u>Sign</u> which id		
structure shall be enti	tled to two Wall sig	3n<u>Sign</u>s as authoriz	ed by subsections (a) and (c) above	-
able 10 9-1 Area of W	all Signs			
Type of building,	Basis for total	Maximum area	Additional regulations for	
signage and permit	area of all Wall	of an individua l	multi-terant buildings and	
	<u>signSign</u> s	wal l sign Maximum	multi building lots	
		percent of a		
		building that		
		can contain an		
		individual		
		signSign		
Single-tenant building	5% of Principal	15% of façade	Up to 2 3 three (3) Wall	
with Free Standing	Public	to which it is	signSigns per individual	
and/or landscape	fa <u>Fa</u> cade <u>or</u>	attached or 100	building	
feature signLandscape	<u>100 SF,</u>	SF, whichever is		
Feature Sign(s)	whichever is	smaller		
	<u>smaller</u>			
Single tenant building,	10% of	15% of façade	Up to 2 <u>3_</u> Wall sign <u>Sign</u> s per	
NO Free Standing or	Principal	to which it is	individual building	
landscape feature	Public faFaçade	attached or 100 SF, whichever is		
sign<u>Landscape</u> Feature Sign(s)	Haraçadae	smaller		
Multi-tenant building or		15% of façade	 Up to 2 Wall signSigns per 	
multi-building lot, no master signage permit,	max. area determined by	to which sign Sign is	tenant	
with Free Standing	sum of	attached, 5% of	• Signs may be attached to	
signSign or landscape	allowable	individual	one or two building	
feature signLandscape	individual Wall	tenant	fa c<u>ç</u>ades	
Feature Sign(s)	signSigns for	storefront area,	 See calculation of storefront 	
reature sign(s)	Sign <u>Sign</u> Siloi	storenont area,	area. Illustration 10-1	

Commented [PC28]: Remove connection between freestanding and wall signs. Allow perpendicular where no freestanding.

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Commented [MG26R25]: Good question - maybe move to definitions if we do in fact want to keep this edit Commented [PC27]: Propose to eliminate. There's been plenty of time for people to get their free-standing signs. See below under

we move it to definition of sign?

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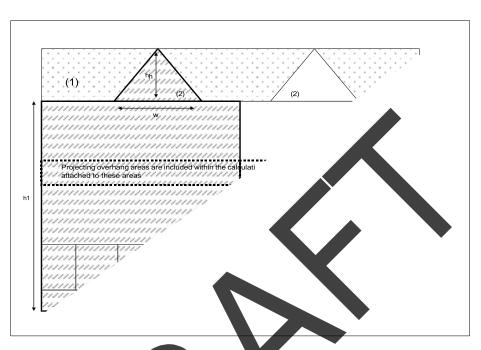
Multi-tenant building or multi-building lot, no- master signage permit, NO Free-Standing or landscape feature signLandscape Feature Sign(s)	Total area per building based on individual tenant signage	whichever is smaller 15% of façade to which signSign is attached, 5% of individual tenant storefront area, or 100 SF, whichever is smaller	 Up to 2 signSigns per tenant Signs may be attached to one or two building faccades See calculation of storefront area, Illustration 10-1 	Commented [PC29]: Remove link between free-standing and wall signs.
Multi-tenant building or multi-building lot with a master signage permit in any district, including Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, with Free Standing or landscape feature signLandscape Feature Sign(s)	10% of Principal Public faFa çade of each building	15% of façade to which it is attached or 100 SF, whichever is smaller	 Up to 2 signSigns per tenant: Signs may be attached to as many façades as have an actively used public entrance Property owner must may divide up signage area among tenants 	
Multi-tenant-building or multi-building-lot with a- master signage permit in any district, including Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, NO Free Standing or landscape feature signLandscape=Feature Sign(s)	15% of Prixelpol Ruble fa <u>f-açade of</u> each building	15% of fasade to which this attached or 190 SF, whichevers smaller	 Up to <u>signs signs per</u> tenant Signs may be attached to as many faceades as have an actively used public entrance Property owner must divide up signage area among tenants 	Commented [PC30]: Remove link between free-standing an wall signs.

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Illustration 10-1: Example of the Calculation of Storefront Area.







- (1) Areas not perpendicular to the ground are NOT included in the storefront area.
- (2) Projecting areas perpendicular to the ground ARE included in the storefront area.
- (3) Storefront area (shaded) = $[(1/2)(w) \times (h)] + [(w1) \times (h1)]$

(2) (4) If the Lot contains structure, the structure contain free standing sign<u>Sign</u>s is our containing uses not identified of sign<u>Signs with a total area r</u> of structure. No Wall sign<u>Sign</u> shall one (1) Wall sign Sign shall bo all one (1) Wall sign Sign shall bo all

sins & free standing sign<u>Sign</u> that only identifies the use or uses located in one aining the use or uses identified on the free standing sign<u>Sign shall be entitled to</u> authorized by subparagraph<u>subsections</u> (a) and (c) above, and the structure of on the free standing sign<u>Sign</u> shall be entitled to no more than three (3) Wall be exceeding ten percent (10%) of the area of the Principal Public faFaçade of the full exceed five percent (5%) of the total allowable sign<u>Sign</u> area and no more than shaced on any one (1) facade of the structure.

SECTION-110. Directory and Entryway Signs

(A) Directory and Entryway Signs Allowed. In instances where it is desirable to list multiple stores or offices within one complex, or to identify a publicly used entrance to a shopping center under single management, one (1) additional directory sign of no more than eight (8) square feet in total area may be attached to a Wall or to the face of a Free Standing signFree Standing, within the perimeter of the sign, in a suitable location to allow visitors, once within the property, to receive direction to a particular location.

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Commented [PC31]: How is the different from a free-standing sign? Are there any properties using this? Is this additional sign area like the Blue Mall, B&N, and the one on Shelburne Road? Can we delete?

Commented [MG32R31]: Agreed; this seems like a confusing sub-category of free-standing signs. Also confusing to distinguish this from a directional sign.

(A) One (1) entryway sign identifying the a shopping center may be affixed to the Wall at each publicly-used entrance. These directory and entryway signs are not to compete with any advertising or informational signs designed to be visible from the Traveled Way.

(B) In multi-tenant buildings or multi-building structures under common management and ownership located wholly or partially within the R7 NC zoning district, and with more than one approved curb cut onto a public roadway, one (1) entryway signSign may be affixed to the Wall at each entrance identifying the offices or businesses accessible through the entry, or identifying the entryway as "staff only," restricted or such other directional guidance as is necessary for the appropriate function of the complex. Such signSign nall not exceed three (3) square feet in size. In addition, one (1) Free-Standing directory signSign of up to fine (15) square feet OR one (1) Wall directory signDirectory Sign of up to twenty (20) square feet may be entryed at each active publicly-used entryway. For any such Wall signSigns, the provisions of Section 11subsection (1) structure shall apply.

(C) Directory and Entryway Signs Attached to Walls. The area of a typectory or entryway Sign<u>Sign</u> affixed to a Wall shall be included in the calculation of the total allowable area of Wall Sign<u>Signs</u> for the building or property to which it is affixed, but shall not count against the total number of Wall Sign<u>Sign</u>s allowed for the building to which it is affixed.

(D) — Directory Signs Attached to Free Standing Signs. Directory signs of the face of a free standing sign within the perimeter of the sign area shall not be counted as a maximum sign area.

SECTION-121. Incidental and Directional Signs

(A) Incidental Signs.

(1) Incidental sign.Incidental Signs may use a typestyle and/or color consistent with the signage of the business or tenant to which they are related, but shall not otherwise advertise or draw attention to the business or tenant.

(2) The use of loge to so or trademarks on incidental sign shall be prohibited.

(3) Incidental sign incidental Signs shall not exceed four (4) square feet each.

(4) Incidental signInclusional Side statached to the raccades of buildings are limited to one (1) signSign per service bay or entry door indicating entry, exit, or other similar service or identification. Such incidental signIncidentations shall not count towards the maximum total number of Wall signSigns allowable for the building to which they are attached, but shall count towards the maximum total area of Wall signSigns allowable for the building to which they are attached.

(5) The number, placement and size of incidental sign<u>Incidental Sign</u>s shall not be, in the determination of the Code Officer, excessive. Such a determination shall include a consideration of factors such as, but not limited to, the nature of the business or operation involved, the volume of traffic to be directed, and the configuration of the buildings and improvements on the site.

(B) Directional Sign

(1) <u>Directional SignDirectional Signs</u> shall generally be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance, in accordance with Section 23<u>2</u>.

(2) <u>Directional signDirectional Signs</u> may include the name or logoLogo of the business to which they are related. Applicants are encouraged to use a logoLogo, typestyle and/or color consistent with the signage of the business or tenant to which they are related.

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(3) <u>Directional signDirectional Sign</u>s shall not be considered additional Wall or free standing sign<u>Free-</u> Standing Signs.

(4) <u>Directional signDirectional Signs</u> shall be sufficient to direct traffic safely, and shall not, in the determination of the Code Officer, be excessive. Such a determination shall include a consideration of factors such as, but not limited to, the nature of the business or operation involved, the volume of traffic to be directed, and the configuration of the buildings and improvements on the site.

(5) Lettering on a directional sign Directional Sign shall not exceed six (6) inches in height.

(6) Number and size of <u>directional sign</u><u>Directional Sign</u>s:

(a) For properties of less than ten (10) acres in size, the number, and placement and size of directional signDirectional Signs shall not exceed one (1) per curb cut or driveway entrance to a property or a maximum of three (3), whichever is less. No such directional signDirection and signDirection and sign shall exceed three (3) square feet in area. No such directional signDirectional Sign shall have its appear-most point more than be more than five (5) feet in heightabove the post-construction grade.

hal Signs shall (b) For properties ten (10) acres or more in size, the number of ectional signDire not exceed one (1) per two (2) acres of property area, maxim eight (8) directional signDirectional Signs. Not more than one (1) directional signDirectional be placed within twenty-five (25) feet of each curb-cut or driveway entrance. No directional sign Di nal Sign shall exceed ten (10) square feet in size, and no more than half (rounded up) of the maximum allow number of directional signDirectional Signs shall exceed three (3) square feet in s tional sign nal Sign less than or equal to three (3) square feet in size shall be more than five (5) feet. n height, and no tional sign<u>Directional Sign</u> larger than three (3) square feet in size shall be more than ten (10) feet in height.

(7) No directional signDirectional Sign shall be placed closer than five (5) feet from a property line. No directional signDirectional Sign that is greater than three (3) square feet in size shall be located closer than fifty (50) feet from a property line.

SECTION 132. Signs in Residential Are

ntial zoning districts. There shall be no signSigns in a residential (A) Non-residential uses districtReside (as so cla ed under the South Burlington Land Development Regulations as presently in force or and am d from time to time), except that one (1) signSign may be erected and fter ad residential use exists under South Burlington Land Development maintai d for a Lot on w a valid itions, provided that the Sign does not exceed twenty (20) square feet, or thirty (30) square feet when Regula Lot having frontage Airport Drive, or forty (40) square feet when located on a Lot of at least two located frontage on Do Street or Hinesburg Road within the Southeast Quadrant Zoning District. (2) acres ha

(B) Multi-tenant or multi-building complexes located partially within the R7-NC zoning district. For purposes of this Ordinance only and notwithstanding Section_subsection 13(aA).above, multi-tenant buildings or multi-building structures under common management and ownership which are located wholly or partially within the R7-NC zoning district, and which have more than one approved curb cut onto a public roadway, shall be considered to be in a non-residential zoning district irrespective of the zoning of the portion of the property lying outside the R7-NC zoning district.

(C) Educational facilities in the Residential 4 and SEQ zoning districts. Notwithstanding <u>Section subsection</u> (a) above, a public or private educational facility accredited by the State of Vermont to provide elementary or secondary education may erect and maintain one (1) freestanding <u>signSign</u> of with a <u>signSign</u> area of up to thirty-

two (32) square feet, which may include a changeable message area consistent with the provisions of Section $9\underline{S}(g)(5)$ above.

(D) Home Occupations. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, a <u>signSign</u> identifying a home occupation as defined by the South Burlington Land Development Regulations as presently in force or amended from time to time in a <u>residential districtResidential District</u> shall not exceed two (2) square feet.

(E) Bed and Breakfast Establishments. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, a sign identifying a bed and breakfast as defined by the South Burlington Land Development Regulation as presently in force or amended from time to time in a residential district shall not exceed four (4) square feet when located on a Lot fronting on a street or road having a maximum posted speed limit of 25 miles per your or less, or eight (8) square feet when located on a Lot fronting on a street or road where the maximum posted speed limit is in excess of 25 miles per hour.

(F)(E) Signs Identifying Residential Complexes. Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, one (1) identification signSign not exceeding twenty (20) square feet for purposes of identifying a single residential complex is permitted in a residential districtResidential District.

(G) |Signs Identifying Dental or Medical Clinics. Notwith standing any provisions herein to the centrary, one (1) identification sign<u>Sign not exceeding twenty (20) square feet for perpession dentifying a dental or medical clinic is permitted in a residential districtResidential District.</u>

SECTION-143. Landscape Feature Signs

(A) In all districts in the City, a <u>landscape feature signLane</u> or <u>Feature Sign</u> be utilized in place of a free standing <u>signSign</u> on any Lot eligible for a <u>free standing signFree-Standing Signs</u>, multiple free standing <u>signLane</u> or <u>SignLane</u> or <u>SignLane</u> or <u>Sign</u> be allowed in accordance with the regulations for multiple free standing <u>signSigns</u>.

(B) A landscape feature to which a straggn is proposed to be attached must be approved by the <u>South</u> <u>Burlington Development Review Board (DRB)</u> <u>Code Officer</u> as part of its_issuance of a permit for the Lot on which the <u>signSign</u> is proposed. Upon approval <u>54 the DRB of atte</u> landscape feature, the Code Officer may issue a <u>signSign</u> permit for the use of the Landscape Feature as a <u>classify</u> in accordance with the dimensional and administrative requirements of this Ordinance.

(C) Location. No sign, see may be attached to a landscape feature that is closer than five (5) feet to any property line at any point. No sign Sign, larger than 40 square feet may be attached to a landscape feature that is closer than 20 feet to any property line at any point.

(D) A statisticape feature sign and/or a cut or Cut-Out logoLore an approved landscape feature. ndscape Feature Sign shall consist of either individual cut-outCut-Out Letters or an inset signSign, either of which shall be permanently attached to or set into

(E) The individual to Cut-Out Letters and/or logoLogo, or the inset signSign, shall not project above the top of the landscape feature at any point.

(F) The total area of the cut-outCut-Out Letters and/or logoLogo, or the inset signSign, may not exceed the maximum area of a free standing signFree-Standing Sign (excluding any support structure) that would be allowable for the same Lot.

(G) No landscape feature to which a signSign is attached may exceed six (6) feet in height from finished grade at any point, or four (4) feet in average height, from the finished grade at the base of the landscape feature.

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The Development Review Board hay allow up to a maximum of seven (7) feet in height from finished grade and up to a maximum of five (5) feet in average height from the finished grade around the base of the landscape feature may be allowed, upon a finding that the sign as proposed:

(1) Will not appear unduly bulky or massive from any public street, sidewalk, public land or traveled way,

(2) Will not present a hazard to traffic or pedestrian safety; and

(3) Will be in keeping with the scale and character of other landscaping on the same and adjacent lots.

(H) A border area without any attached or inset signage must be maintained for a minimum of six (6) inches in all directions from the outside edge of the cut-outCut-Out Letters and/or logoLog or the inset placard signSign. The border area shall be at least sixty percent (60%) of the total area of the landscape feature.

(I) The visual impact of maintenance panels should be minimized.

(J) Backlighted Letters and/or cut out logoLogo shall be permitted, provided the installation is consistent with Section of this Ordinance. Shielded exterior spotlighting shall be permitted, with the beam spread not to exceed the area of the cut out letters and/or logoLogo or inset signSign.

SECTION-154. Airport Signage

(A) Airfield and Air National Guard Signage, Except as provided in (3) below, all signage on the airfield of Burlington International Airport or property owned by the Vermont Air National Guard that is installed pursuant to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) or United States Department of Defense (DOD) requirements, as applicable, shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance.

(B) Other Necessary Signage. Except as provided in (3) below, all other signage on Burlington International Airport and Vermont Air National Guard property necessary to safe and efficient operation of the Airport or National Guard premises shall be determined by the Airport or Vermont Air National Guard pursuant to FAA or DOD recommended standards, as applicable, and shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance.

(C) Signs on Airport Property within 20' of Road Rights-of-Way. Signs on Burlington International Airport property to be located within twenty feet (20') of the edge of the right-of-way of a public road adjacent to the Airport shall be subject to the provisions of this Ordinance and shall require a signSign permit.

SECTION 165. Perpendicular Signs
Perpendicular signs will be permitted subject to the following conditions:
(a) Where property dimensions create circumstances that do not allow for a free standing sign, a
perpendicular dvilding mounted sign or signs may be permitted .
(b) Any perpendicular sign to be installed must be determined to be properly mounted on the building from
which it is hung in Acate and appropriate fashion relative to the architecture of the building.
(c) A perpendicular sign may not extend above the top of the building wall or parapet to which it is attached.

(d) A perpendicular sign may extend no more than three (3) feet from the outside edge of the wall to which it is attached, and may have a vertical dimension of no more than ten (10) feet The maximum area of the sign face of a perpendicular sign shall be thirty (30) square feet.

(c) All signs of this type must be designed properly so as to be structurally correct and safe for pedestrians, traffic and other activities which occur in the vicinity.

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Perpendicular signs are subject to the approval of the Code Officer who may seek the review of an architect, and/or engineering expert consultant to assist in his or her determination. All associated costs for consultant review are to be borne by the applicant. Perpendicular signSign s are permitted within the Dorset Street/City Center District subject to the following conditions: A propertytenant shall be permitted either to install perpendicular Signs pur <u>(A)</u> to this section OR Free-Standing Signs pursuant to Section 8, but in no case shall both be permitted. Any perpendicular Sign to be installed must be determined to (B) irally sound and safe for pedestrians, traffic and other activities. The permittee shall execute an agreement to defend, ing Ify and hold ss the City of South (1) Burlington, its officers, trustees, agents, and employees, from laims for bodily inju property damage arising from or out of the presence of the perpendicular Si nin the City right-of-way A perpendicular Sign may not extend above the top o building or parapet to whic it is attached. (C) (D) A perpendicular Sign may extend no more than three (3 the outside edge of the Wall to which it is attached. Any Sign proposed to extend more than three (3) hall be permitted only upon review and approval by the Development Review Board unde criteria of Secti this Ordinance. above the ground level. A perpendicular Sign shall have its lowe than eight ((E) Area of a perpendicular Sign: (F) (1) No Perpendicular Sign shall exceed twee t in area. quare Signs having two (2 attached f hall be considered as one Sign, and the area shall be (2) computed for one side A perpendicular hall not be ernally illumin (G) There shall be a ma (H) r Sign per first-floor tenant with a direct entryway, which shall be located on the ter orefront. Pe e approval of the Code Officer who may seek the review of an architect, subi sist in his or hera determination of compliance with this section. All Sign and igineering ex nsulta to be borne by the applicant. costs for this consu review asso Real Estate and Construction Project Signs SECTION ns advertising to the public that the property on which the same signSign is (A) Real es gnSign: displayed is availab rent or lease shall not require a signSign permit, but shall not be illuminated and shall sal be subject to the limitations in this Section. In non-residential zoning districts, each Lot shall be entitled to one (1) such freestanding signSign not (1)to exceed sixteen (16) square feet if located within twenty (20) feet of the edge of the right-of-way, or thirtytwo (32) square feet if located more than twenty (20) feet from the edge of the right-of-way.

(2) In residential zoning districts, each Lot shall be entitled to one (1) such free standing signSign not to exceed six (6) square feet.

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(B) Construction Project signSigns. SignSigns advertising that new construction, or an expansion, renovation or addition project (including painting, roofing, and siding) is taking place on the property on which the signSign is displayed are subject to the provisions of this Section.

 In non-residential zoning districts and in residential zoning districts where a multi-lot development involving ten (10) or more Lots is taking place, Construction Project <u>signSign</u> shall be limited to one (1) <u>signSign</u> per property or multi-lot development, not exceeding thirty-two (32) square feet in area and eight (8) feet in height and not illuminated. Such <u>signSign</u>s shall require a <u>signSign</u> permit

(2) Except as provided above, in residential zoning districts up to two (2) Construction Project signSigns may be displayed simultaneously on a Lot. A single Construction Project sign to shall not exceed six (6) square feet, or three (3) square feet each if two (2) such signSigns are displayed on a single Lot. Such signSigns shall not require a signSign permit.

(3) Construction Project signSigns in all districts shall remain only until completion of the project. Such signSigns remaining on a Lot after the project is completed shall be in violation of this Ordinance.

(4) Additional signSigns required to meet safety regulations for construction projects shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance, and shall not require a superior permit.

(5) Except as specifically provided for residential zoning districts in (2) above, multiple Construction Project signSigns shall not be permitted and shall be subject to removal by the City.

(C) Display of construction project and real estate <u>signSigns</u> on the same Lot. In all zoning districts, on Lots of 80,000 square feet or less, there shall be no more than two (2) real estate and/or Construction Project <u>signSigns</u> displayed simultaneously. On Lots in non-residential zoning districts exceeding 80,000 square feet, no more than three (3) real estate and/or construction Project <u>sign respective</u> may be displayed simultaneously.

SECTION-187. Miscellaneous Types of Signs

(A) Roof Signs - It shall be unlawful for any <u>personPers</u> to Erect, alter, relocate or maintain a <u>roof signRoof</u> <u>Sign</u> as defined in this Ordinance. Provided, however, that a <u>signSign</u> may be erected on a <u>parapet wallParapet</u> <u>Wall</u> if such parapet is an integral part of and architecturally consistent with the entire building and is not erected principally to receive and enhance the visibility of the <u>signSign</u>. Any such <u>signSign</u> shall not extend above said <u>parapet</u> <u>wallParapet</u> <u>vall</u>.

(B) Banners and Pennants - It shall be enlawful for any <u>personPerson</u> to Erect, relocate, alter or maintain <u>bBanners on pPennants as defined in this Ordinance, except as permitted as a Temporary Sign.</u>|However, properly displayed governmental flags shall be permitted, but not in excess of three different flags per lot. In addition, a business may display one flag, not exceeding six (6) square feet on which is depicted its name, emblem or logoLogo, except in the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District where such is prohibited.

(C)____Projecting Signs - It shall be unlawful for any person reson to Erect, alter, relocate or maintain any projecting PsignSign as defined in this Ordinance, except as specifically allowed in Section 1095.

(C) <u>Inflatable or Wind Signs - It shall be unlawful for any Person to Erect, alter, relocate or maintain any</u> il<u>nflatable</u> or Wind Sign as defined in this Ordinance.

(D) Billboard Signs - It shall be unlawful for any personPerson to Erect, alter, maintain or relocate any Billboard sSign as defined in this Ordinance, except as specifically allowed.

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(E) Animated Signs; Action Signs - It shall be unlawful for any <u>personPerson</u> to Erect, maintain, alter or relocate any Animated Sign or Action Sign<u>except as specifically exempted within Section 232</u>.

(F) Limited Access Facility - No signSign may be erected if it is so located as to be primarily readable from a limited access facility as defined in Title 19 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated.

(G) Temporary and Paper Signs - Except as otherwise expressly provided in Section 198 herein, signSigns of paper, cardboard or similar material or signSigns which are temporary or non-permanent are hereby prohibited.

(H) Window Signs - Window signSigns including those which are temporary or permanent in nature are permitted provided the total signSign area does not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total Window area to which the signSign(s) is attached or otherwise located so as to be readable primarily from the exterior of the Window.

(1) Where a Window or Windows constitute fifty percent (50%) or more of the area of an individual building façade, the Code Officer shall have the authority to treat signSir s affixed to or otherwise located so as to be readable primarily from the exterior of the Window or Windows as Wall signSigns in keeping with Section 109 of this Ordinance.

(2) A signSign or signSign s painted on, or affixed to, or otherwise logated so as to be readable primarily from the exterior of the inside or outside of Windows shall be counted against the areaArea of Wall signSigns allowed for the building if the combined area of such a Window tension or signSign or signSigns exceeds twenty-five percent (25%) of the Window occupied.

(I) Raceway Signs - Raceway \underline{sSigns} , including cans, the metal structure and/or the box frame, must be made so that the raceway enclosure blends with the exterior Wall of the building to which it is attached. Raceway \underline{sSigns} are subject to the provisions of Section $\underline{109}$ of this Ordinance (Wall sections).

SECTION 198. Temporary Signs

Definition: (1) Sidewalk Sign siness esta shment or oth ntity with a direct exterior entrance a space shall be permitted to display Sid he following conditions: Such sign shall r n annual permit issued by the Code Officer, which shall be valid from the (a) er 31 of the calendar year during which it is issued; date ugh D ed during the hours of business of the entity being advertised; Such sign i ly be d Sign message be altered throughout the course of the permit, but shall not be an Animated nd shall not be a l er Board or other sign with interchangeable plastic lettering; <u>hall be no la</u> than four (4) feet in height and shall contain no more than twelve (12) square Such feet in e perm Suc all be located within twenty (20) feet of a public operable entryway to the business Such sign may be located in the public right of way with written approval from the being advertis Department of Public Works. A Sidewalk sign shall not impede pedestrian or bicycle traffic. No sign may be placed in such a way (e) as to reduce the continuous unobstructed width of a sidewalk or walkway to less than four (4) feet or obstruct an entrance way or emergency exit. Such sign shall not obscure visibility for motorists, and shall not impede snow clearance or other maintenance work.

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(f) Signage may not be permanently affixed in any way, including chained or fastened to trees, signs, benches, street lights, utility poles, et. al.

(g) Maximum Size. A Sidewalk Sign shall not exceed 12 square feet in area and shall not exceed 24" in width or 36" in height. This does not include the size of the base or frame, which shall not be larger than is necessary to hold the sign face in place. Signs shall not consume more than 36" in depth- whether by length or spread of base legs. Signage may be double faced.

(h) <u>Materials. Signage shall be constructed of weather resistant materials. Carchoard, paper, and particle</u> board are not permitted. Stenciled or spray-painted signs are not permitted. Signage shall be sturdy, meant to withstand light winds, but also portable and readily movable.

(i) Lighting. Signage may not include any lighting or electronia

(i) No materials such as flags, streamers, or balloons may be attached to sidewalk signs.

(2) Temporary Banner or A-Frame Sign. <u>Unless prohibited elsewhere in this Ordinance, an individual Lot</u>, as defined with the City's Land Development Regulations, or in the case of a Planned Unit Development approved by the Development Review Board, alleach Lots contained within the Planned Unit Development shall be allowed one concurrent (1) temporary sign in accordance with the following conditions:

(a) Such sign shall require a Temperan Sign Permit issued by the Code Officer, which shall be valid for the dates specified on the approvementation

(b) Temporary Signs shall be maintained or a maximum of fourteen of consecutive days once in every two (2) calendar month period, or seven (7), vs once the local month.

(c) Any such application shall be signSigned by the property owner.

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(d) No Reader Doards or similar such changeable wheeled Signs are allowed.

(e) Temporary A-Frame Signs up to eight (b) feet in height and containing no more than thirty-two (32) aduare feet in area, and Banners up to thirty-two (32) square feet in area which are affixed for the purpose of advertising the opening of a new retail establishment or a special sales event on the Lot where the Signs are located, are permitted, provided that such signs are located at least five feet from City righttway.

> I be maintained for a maximum of fourteen (14) consecutive days once in every riod, or seven (7) days once each calendar month.

Temporary <u>Sign</u>s shall be maintained for a maximum of five (5) days in a calendar month provided the_<u>Signs</u> are displayed on the same day of the week for the entire month.

(f) Applicates for a Ttemporary Sign may choose either (d) or (e) above, but shall not change their permitted dates or messages within the duration of the permit.

(a)(g) Establishments located on parcels of two (2) acres or more with a principal permitted business as a hotel and conference center shall be exempt from the limitations in Subsection(A)(2) (d)-(f) above; however, no individual temporary Sign may be maintained for a period in excess of fourteen (14) consecutive days every two (2) calendar month period, or seven (7) days once each calendar month.

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Temporary Signs in excess of those permitted in subsection(A)(2) (d)-(f)above shall be limited to Signs advertising specific temporary or limited-duration functions taking place on the property, and shall not be permitted for general advertising of the principal hotel or conference center function.

Unless prohibited elsewhere in this Ordinance, a business establishment or other entity shall be allowed one (1) temporary signSign in accordance with the following conditions:

(2) No "Reader Boards" or similar such changeable wheeled signSigns are allow

(3) Temporary "A<u>-F</u> frame" or "<u>S</u>sandwich<u>Sandwich</u> <u>bB</u>oard" sign<u>Signs</u> up to cight (8) feet in height and containing no more than thirty two (32) square feet in area, and bannots up to thirty two (32) square feet in area which are permanently affixed for the purpose of advertising the specific diversity of the purpose of advertising the specific diversity of the specific div

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(9) Notwithstanding Section 198(b) above, Templerery signSigns for non-residential uses in residential zoning districts shall be lineited to a maximum of six (7) square feet in area, with the exception of Temporary signSigns for places of worship in any zoning district and valid non-residential uses on Lots of at least two (2) acres with frontage on Porset Street or Hinesburg Road within the Southeast Quadrant Zoning District.

SECTION 2019. General Sign Requirements

The following requirements shall apply to all signSigns:

(A) No Signs within Public Road Rights-of-Way -<u>Except as specifically provided for in this Ordinance, 5Nno</u> permanent or Temporary signs including but not limited to signSigns for real estate sales, product or service advertisement, and political advertisements, other than those required for governmental purposes, shall be located within a public road right-of-way.

(B) Maintenance - All signSigns and other advertising structures, together with all their supports, braces, guys and anchors, shall be of substantial and sturdy construction, shall be kept in good repair, and shall be painted or cleaned as often as necessary to maintain a clean, neat, safe and orderly appearance.

(C) Wind Pressure and Dead Load Requirements - Any signSign or advertising structure as defined in this Ordinance shall be designed and constructed to withstand wind pressures and receive dead loads as required by recognized engineering and construction practices in the City of South Burlington.

(D) Obstruction to Doors, Windows or Fire Escapes - No signSign shall be erected, relocated or maintained so as to prevent free ingress to or egress from any door, Window or fire escape. No signSign shall be attached to a stand pipe or fire escape.

(E) Signs Not to Constitute Traffic Hazards - In order to secure and maintain reasonable traffic safety, it shall be unlawful for any <u>personPerson</u> to Erect or maintain any <u>signSign</u> containing reflective materials or any <u>animated</u> <u>signAnimated Sign or action signAction Sign</u> as defined in this Ordinance. No <u>signSign</u> shall be erected or maintained in such a manner as to obstruction free and clear vision or so as to distract the attention of the driver of any vehicle by reason of the position, shape or color thereof. Pursuant to the foregoing, no <u>sign Sign</u> shall be erected or maintained in such a manner as to be likely to interfere with, obstruct the view of, or be confused with, any authorized traffic <u>signSign</u>, signal or device. Accordingly, no <u>signSign</u> or other advertising structure shall make use of the words "Stop", "Go", "Look", "Slow", "Danger", or any other similar phrase, symbol, or character, or apply any color in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead, or confuse traffic.

(F) Projecting Images - No personPerson or establishment shall project light, Logos or Images into any area visible from a public sidewalk or right-of-way.

(G) Design Standards for All Signs - Signs shall be designed and constructed in such manner and of such materials as to be consistent with the following design standards unless the applicant can establish to the satisfaction of the Code Officer, that any standards which are not met are inapplicable, unnecessary, or would create an extraordinary and unreasonable hardship:

- (1) No signSign shall be located on a tree, or painted or drawn upon a rock, lawn, or the ground, excluding permitted landscape feature signLandscape in stures. It is as provided herein
- (2) All signSigns, and the standards and posts supporting them, shall be of substantial and sturdy construction. Break-away standards and posts are permitted if of substantial and study construction.

(3) Signs shall not dominate the Lot on which they stand or the building to which they are attached, but shall be compatible with same.

(4)____Signs|shall contain a minimum amount of lettering which shall be clearly visible to the public without______ being distracting to motorists.

(H) No signSign may be erected if it is so located as to be primarily readable from a limited access facility as defined in Title 19, V.S.A.

(I) No display of pornographic or lewd signSigns shall be permitted.

(J) No signSign shall be affixed to a handrail or fence.

(K) No <u>sensign</u> shall be attached to a water supply tank, and no <u>signSign</u> shall be painted on a water supply tank except for governmental or operational identifications or notices, which are to be as minimal in size as practicable.

(L) No signSignshall be attached to a utility cabinet other than identification or required operational signSigns installed by the owner of the cabinet. No advertising signSigns shall be installed on any cabinet.

(M) Off premise signage Off-Premise Signage shall not be permitted.

(N) The use of parked or stationary motor vehicles to display Temporary signSigns, such as but not limited to stickers, Banners, drapes, and placards, for advertising purposes, shall be prohibited. For purposes of this subsection such Temporary signSigns shall include but not be limited to those signSigns that would not remain affixed to the vehicle when the vehicle is moving, or that would constitute a hazard to safe operation of the vehicle, and other similar cases as determined by the Code Officer.

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SECTION 210. Lighting

(A) Except as provided elsewhere in this Ordinance, indirect or interior lighting may be used to illuminate any signSign provided that the source of light shall concentrate the illumination upon the area of the signSign so as to and prevent glare upon the street or adjacent property. Except in the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, fixtures should not be placed any nearer than five (5) feet to the property line.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any <u>personPerson</u> to Erect, alter, maintain or relocate any <u>signSign</u> employing the use of <u>luminescentLuminescent</u> lights as defined in this Ordinance, except where such <u>luminescentLuminescent</u> elements are shielded from direct view by a separate translucent material.

(C) No signSign of any kind shall be left illuminated after ten o'clock P.M. (10:00 PM) in any residential zoning district, and no signSign of any kind shall be left illuminated after midnight in any nonresidential zoning district unless the premises are open for business after midnight, in which case, no signSign of any kind shall be left illuminated after the premises are closed for business. Notwithstanding the above, a Well signSign may be left illuminated, if the Code Officer determines that it is necessary for the protection of the protecty from theft or vandalism, and such determination is made a part of the perget.

(D) String lighting shall not be allowed except for a non-permanent, seasonal or charitable business with permit by Code Officer.

(E) In the Dorset Street/City Center Sign District, iInternally illuminated signSigns shall utilize opaque backgrounds and translucent letters, Logos and or phics, so as to insure that the lettering, Logos and/or graphics are illuminated rather than the background. Inte ere permitted and installed prior ted signs wh IIVT to ***** and do not comply with this standard an rmitted tinue until ch time as that sign is proposed to be altered or replaced through a Permanent Sign rmit. ∓ ckgrounds utilizing dark colors may be used with white, clear or other light translucent letters, Logos and/or graphics, provided the Design Review Committee determines that the effect will be consistent with the intent of this

(F) The illumination of flags must conform to the provisions of the South Burlington Land Development Regulations regarding nighttime illumination of governmental flags. No other upward illumination of flags is permitted.

(G) The use of integrated neon, LED and fiber optic lighting to illuminate signSigns shall be permitted provided the light source is covered with a clear, translucent or opaque material so that the light source is diffused and no glare is reflected. Exposed neon lighting shall not be permitted

(H) Except as provided in (g) above, fixtures shall not include bare bulbs, and fixtures shall not make bare bulbs or other direct light sources visible to person Person viewing a sign Sign.

SECTION 221. Regulations for Establishments Selling Gasoline

(A) Wall signs. S. For establishments selling gasoline, Wall signSigns may be attached to the principal building and, if applicable, to a structural canopy. There shall be no more than two (2) Wall signSigns on a principal building with the total area of al Wall signSigns on the principal building not to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Gross faFaçade area of the principal building.

(B) Structural Canopies. There shall be no more than four (4) advertising and/or brand identification signSigns attached to each structural canopy on each Lot, with no more than one (1) such signSign attached to each face of a structural canopy and no individual signSign to exceed fifteen (15) square feet. Internal illumination of structural canopies shall be permitted and shall not constitute a signSign.

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(C) Signs necessary to operations. There shall be no limit on the total number of signSigns necessary for the operation of the establishment attached to a structural canopy and gasoline pumps, including such signSigns as "restrooms," "self service," or "air," provided no individual signSign exceeds six (6) square feet. The foregoing notwithstanding, however, any such signSign including the name and/or logoLogo of the business to which it is attached, other than names or Logos integral to a gasoline pump, shall count as a Wall or structural canopy signSign and shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this Section and Ordinance.

(D) Free-standing signFree-Standing Sign s. For establishments selling gasoline, there shall be no more than one free-standing signFree-Standing Sign per Lot. If a price signSign is included as part of the free-standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing sign per Lot. If a price signSign is included as part of the free-standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing signFree-Standing Sign. The permitted area of the base or support structure of the free-standing signFree-Standing Sign shall be based on the maximum area of the free-standing signFree-Standing Sign

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on gasoline pumps but excluding $\frac{\text{signSign}}{\text{signSign}}$ identified in $\underline{\text{subs}}$ section. (c<u>C</u>) above, shall not exceed one-hundred (100) square feet.

(E) _____The outdoor display of products for sale shall be prohibited, with the exception of vehicle tires, ice and/or propane.

(G)[F] Temporary signSigns outside the principal building shall be permitted as per Section 198 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 232. Exemptions

The provisions and regulations of this Ordinance shall not apply to official business directional sign<u>Directional</u> Signs and signSign plazas as defined in and elected pursuant to Chapter 21 of Title 10, Vermont Statutes Annotated. The provisions and regulations of this Ordinance shall also not apply to the following signSigns, provided however, said signSigns shall be subject to the provisions of Sections 2013, 220 and 254.

(A) Memorial signSigns or tablets, names of buildings and date of erection when cut into any stone or masonry surface or when constructed of bronze or other incombustible materials and not exceeding six (6) square feet in total area.

(B) One (1) residential "Name Place Sign" as defined in this Ordinance;

(C) Traffic signSigns and legal notices;

(D) Signs ex-billboards-approved by the Code Officer that advertise the City of South Burlington, or any of its departments, or excide a community directory to the recreational and commercial facilities offered in the City; or advise the public of the location of facilities operated by the City or any of its departments; or that advertise the South Burlington School District. In no case, however, shall Animated Signs be approved except in accordance with the standards of Section 222(K), "Free-Standing Signs for post-secondary institutions"

(E) Signs announcing events hosted by organizations affiliated with the City and formally approved by the City Manager in furtherance of city goals.

(E)(F) Directional Signs, consistent with the provisions of Section 112 above; provided however, that the Code Officer may order the removal of Directional Signs upon finding by him that some are unnecessary, not within the definition set out in Section 32, or are otherwise contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance;

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(F)(G) Bona fide Christmas and holiday decorations displayed during the period from November 15 through January 5; (G)(H) "Warning", "Danger", "No Trespassing", or similar signSigns, in size and quantity as reasonably required to accomplish their intended purpose; (H)(I) ______Signs for charitable or political purposes displayed on a Wall or Window. (+)(J) Signs attached to electronic scoreboards, provided the following are met: (1) The scoreboard upon which the signSign is attached is located on City ed or leased land. (2) The signSign advertises a business or organization that made a mor etary contribution towards the scoreboard in question, (3) The signSign includes the words "This scoreboard donated or similar to that effect. (4) The maximum size of the signSign shall not exceed twe nty-one (21) square fe (5) The area of the signSign shall not exceed twenty-four percent (24%) of the area of preboard and signSign combined, The maximum height of the signSign shall be ten (10) ured from the average finished grade (6) at the base of the scoreboard to the highest point of any part of the sgnSign, (7) The signSign shall not be illuminate (8) The signSign shall be covered by an a fitted panel so that it i not visible during the months active of November through March, and (9)The signSign shall require written approv from City Manager, or his/her designee, prior to its erection or alteration. Multi-tenant buildings and multi-building complexes that display individual tenant signs within an approved (K) free-standing sign. A multi-tenant building or multi-building structure under common management and ownership that has an approved free-standing used to display signs bearing the names of the tenant uses within the building or complex may remove and/or replace the tenant signs within the approved free-standing sign without obtaining a Permanent Sign permit, subject to the following conditions: The individual tenant sign proposed to be installed must have the same sign dimensions, use the same background color, use the same font color, and use the same font size as the individual tenant sign that is

proposed to be removed.

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nental flags shall be permitted, but not in excess of three different flags per lot.

(K)(M) One or two-sided free, anding signFree-Standing Signs for post secondary educational institutions which are used to provide information regarding on-campus activities that are open to the public. Such signSigns must be approved by the Ctv Manager or the manager's designee, may not exceed fifty (50) square feet per side, must be at least fifteen (15) feet from the pavement of any public road, must not be located within any public right-of- way, and may not exceed ten (10) feet in height. Such signSigns may include an electronic message board Animated Sign not exceeding ten (10) square feet on each side of the signSign, which may only be used between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and midnight. Information may be displayed on the message board on an intermittent basis, provided each display is at least five (5) minutes in duration. Each institution shall be limited to one (1) signSign.

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(L)(N) __Signs reasonably necessary for the operation and use of the <u>Green Mountain Transit Chittenden County</u> Transportation Authority, its successors, and other public transit services.

(\\)[O] Purely decorative muralMurals, as defined in this Ordinance, that in the judgment of the Code Officer do not have the intent or visual effect of increasing the areaArea of a signSign.

(N)(P)_All Wall and free standing signFree-Standing Signs, including those attached to Windows and doors, that are necessary to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, provided such signSigns do not interfere with public safety.

 $(\Theta, [Q)$ Sculptures that do not involve a representation of or reference to a business, service or good shall not be construed to be signSigns and shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance. Sculptures may be subject to the provisions of the South Burlington Land Development Regulations, as amended.

(P)(R)_Vermont and Federal government markers of historical sites or places of interest and Vermont state tourism signSigns, provided such signSigns do not interfere with public safety.

(Q)(S) One (1) help wanted signSign of no more than four (4) square may be attached to permitted free standing signFree-Standing Sign.

(R)(T) Barber poles, in accordance with Vermont statutes.

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(T)(U) Signs designated as "historic" by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation (or its successor) or the National Register of Historic Places. Alternations to such signSigns shall only be permitted if the entire signSign becomes compliant with these regulations or if the proposed alterations are approved as remaining "historic" by the above named bodies

(U)() Informational signSigns affixed to the plincipal face of a propane gas cage containing safety information, the manufacturer's name, the manufacturer's logoLogo, and/or emergency contact information. Lettering, numbering, or Logos shall not exceed three (3) inches in height.

 $\frac{(V)}{(W)}$ One (1) restaurant mean not exceeding two (2) square feet in size per restaurant, affixed to a Wall that adjacent to a door that leads directly into such restaurant. No lettering or numbers shall exceed one (1) inch in height. No such means shall be internally illuminated. Any other lighting shall be downcast directly onto the menu.

(X) Up to two (2) Signs affixed to an electric vehicle fueling station not exceeding fifty (50) square inches per Sign.

(Y) - One flag, up to twelve (12) square feet in size, indicating that a business is "Open" per business with a direct exterior entryn entry door directly into the business of up to twelve (12) square feet in size. Such flags shall contain no logos, lettering, or color palate that reinforces the brand of the business. In no instance shall a flag interfere with the travelling public.

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SECTION-243. Non-Conforming Signs

(A) On or before <u>******</u>JUNE 3, 2009, all non-conforming <u>signSign</u>s shall have been removed, lawfully replaced, or otherwise altered so as to comply with all applicable provisions of the South Burlington Sign Ordinance in effect as of that date.

(B) A "conforming signSign" shall become a non-conforming signSign on the effective date of an amendment of this ordinance that establishes a standard or requirement with which the standard does not conform. A conforming signSign shall be:

(1) Any signSign in existence on ******June 2, 2009, that on such date was in full compliance with all requirements of this ordinance as it was then constituted; or

(2) Any signSign first constructed after ******June 3, 2009 in strict compliance with a permit issued under this ordinance; or

(3) Any signSign altered or relocated after June 3, 2000 *****, in strict compliance with a sermit issued under this ordinance.

(C) Within five (5) years of the date a signSign becomes non-conforming, it shall be removed or, following issuance of a permit, be altered or relocated to comply with this ordinance.

(D) Exceptions.

(1) Any approved landscape feature to which a Sign was attached as of the adoption of this Ordinance may continue indefinitely and may be normally maintained and regained.

As of September 1, 2015***** , <mark>A</mark>a<u>ny a</u> Sign or Sign structure within the existing Dorset (2) Street/City Center Desig ontinue ind itely and may be normally maintained and repaired. A TICL replacement of a Sign only be nitted in acc nce with this Ordinance. Upon approval of a Master Signage Permit for a all fut as shall he in conformance with the provisions replacemen the Master Signage Per

SECTION 254. Unsafe and Unlawful Signs

If the C Officer shall find th at any an is unsafe or insecure, or is a menace to the public, or has been plation of the provisions of this Ordinance, the Code Officerhe shall tod or is he give written notice the owner thereof and shall have said written notice served by certified mail immed with retur eipt requested. If the owner failsed to remove or alter the structure, so as to comply with the t forth, at discretion of the Code Officer after receipt of such notices, said signSign or standards h structure may b moved b the Code Officer at the expense of the owner of the signSign and owner of the property upon which ed, such expense of removal to be the joint and several liability of all such owners. The Code Officer may any signSign which is an immediate peril to personPerson or property, to be removed summarily and without notice.

SECTION-265. Removal of Certain Signs

Any signSign now or hereafter existing which no longer identifies a bona fide use conducted, or a property sold, on the Lot on which it is located, or which is not maintained in a safe and appropriate condition, shall be taken down and removed by the owner, agent or personPerson having the beneficial use of the building or structure

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upon which such signSign may be found on the Lot on which it is located within ten (10) days after written notification from the Code Officer, and upon failure to comply with such notice within the time specified in such order, the Code Officer is hereby authorized to cause removal of such signSign, and any expense incident thereto shall be paid by the owner of the building, structure or Lot to which such signSign is attached or is located.

SECTION 276. Revocation of Permits

The Code Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to revoke any permit issued by him-upon failure of the permittee to comply with any provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 287. Renewal of Permits

Upon the expiration of any permits under this Ordinance, the signSig permit was issued shall be which the removed immediately unless the holder thereof applies for a renew permit upon paym of the fee set out at Section 54 hereof and upon the filing of a renewal application or rms furnished by the Co e Officer. Such forms e the Code Officer to decide w shall include such questions as are reasonably required to enact ether the renewal permit should be issued. The Code Officer shall act within the number of day and in the manner set out at Section 76. Provided, further, that no permit shall be issued to any ap signSign or signSign owner is not in nt compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance, as then amended, xcept as provided for Master Signage Permits in Section 87.

SECTION 298. Appeals

Any personPerson aggrieved by any action of the Code Officer or iew Committee may appeal such action, or refusal to act, to the South Burlington Developmen Rey Board. Such appeal shall be lodged with the City Clerk within fifteen (15) days of Officer's or D Review Committee's action or refusal to act, and shall Code schedule provided under Section 54 of this Ordinance. The be accompanied by an appeal in acco nce with the fee for such appeal shall be appeals of acti ns of the Administrative Officer to the Development the same as Review Board pursuant to the South Burl ton Land Deve ment Regulations. The hearing shall be held at the time and place set by the Ch n of view Board but no sooner than seven

after public no (7) days, nor later than twenty ice of such hearing has appeared in a newspaper having general circulat opment Review Board may make such order or take such action, including jitv. The the issuage of same as is consistent with this Ordinance. Provided, however, in a perm ne revo decidin uch appeals, the D pment Board may not grant variances, exemption, extra-ordinary relief or other alter, amend, enlarg r modify the provisions of the Ordinance, it being the intent of this section to merely p ide for appeals from e decisions of the Code Officer or Design Review Committee, and not to provide The Development Review Board may adopt rules governing the conduct of such exceptions here for variance topted it shall cause a copy thereof to be furnished to each applicant at the time hearings, and h rules are that the appeal is

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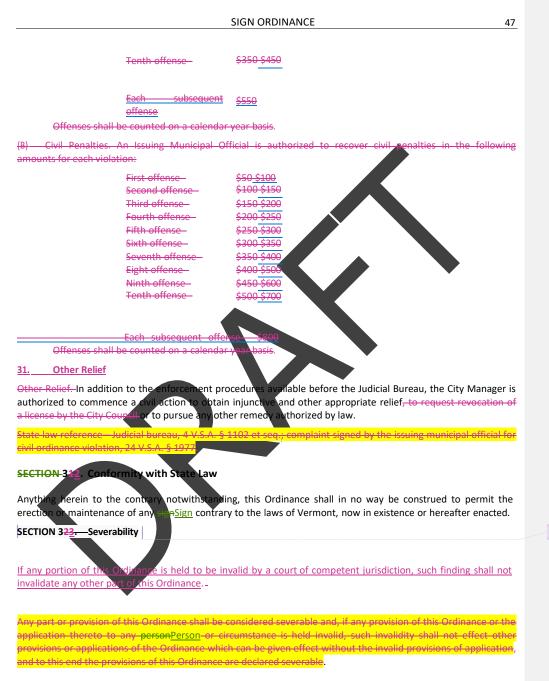
Enforcement and Penalties

Any <u>personPerson</u> who violates a provision of this civil ordinance shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$500 \$800 per day for each day that such violation continues. The <u>AdministrativeCode</u>_Officer <u>or Assistant</u> <u>Administrative</u> <u>Officer of the City of South Burlington</u>-shall be authorized to act as <u>the</u> lissuing <u>Mm</u>unicipal <u>Oo</u>fficials to issue and pursue before the Judicial Bureau a municipal complaint. The <u>Code Administrative Officer</u>

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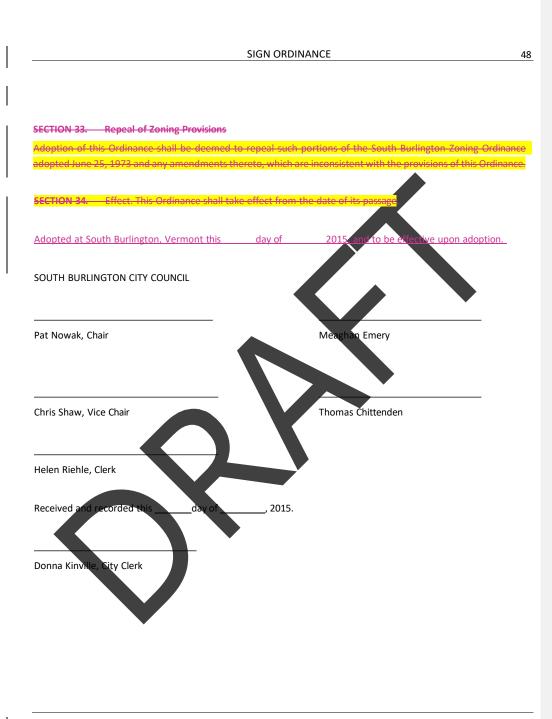
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<u>(A) Ar</u>	n issuing municipal official is authorized to	recover civil penalties in the following am	ounts for each violation:
	First offense	\$160	•
	Second offense	\$320	
	Third offense	\$480	
	Fourth offense	\$640	
	Fifth and subsequent offenses	\$800	
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	First offense	\$100	
	Second offense	\$250	
	Third offense	\$400	
	Fourth offense	\$5 <u>50</u>	
(<u>A</u>)		al is authorized to recover a waiver fee, ir o declines to contest a municipal complair	
	First offense-	\$25 \$50	
	Second-offiense-	\$50 \$75	
	Third offense	\$75 \$100	
	Fourth offense -	\$ 100 \$125	
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	Sixth offense	\$150 \$175	
	Seventh offense -	\$ 175	
	Eight offense-	\$200 	
	Ninth offense	\$275 	



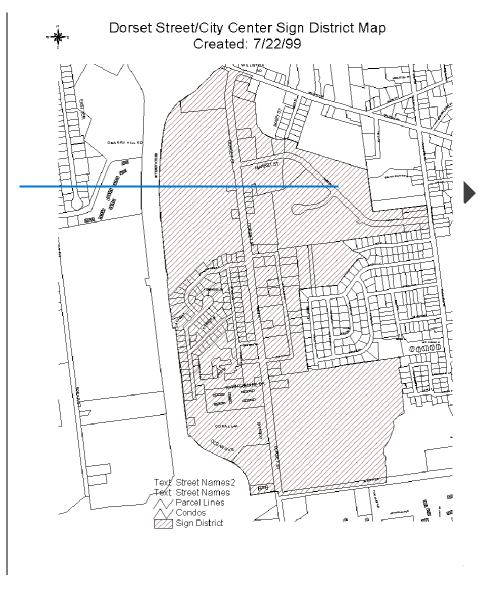
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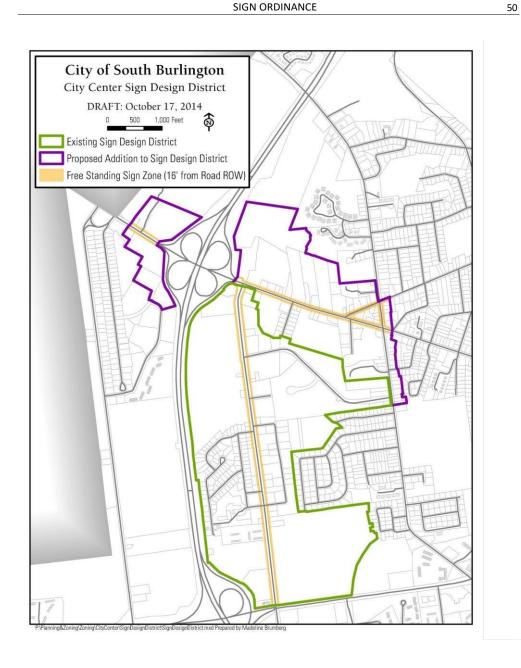


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APPENDIX A



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APPENDIX B

Dorset Street/City Center Sign District

Description of District Boundaries-

The westerly boundary of the District follows the Interstate Highway Right of Way from Williston Road to Kennedy Drive in the south. Kennedy Drive forms the southern boundary of the District Villiston Road forms the epartment Boundary in a northerly boundary. At Kennedy Drive, the District boundary follows the Sch Drive and 100 feet back from northeasterly direction along the stream bed and then northerly parallel to Woo the roadway R.O.W. The boundary follows the School Department Boundary erly direction for a total of et for 1130 feet at which 1336 feet. The boundary then heads in a northerly direction, and parall point it turns easterly and follows the Barrett Street alignment and g perty lines which are ng with i between 110 and 120 feet from the Barrett Street R.O.W. and coin with the prope e delineating lands owned by the City of South Burlington. The District boundary for this property line as it ds in an irregular of lands ov fashion to the northwest to its intersection with the property ned by South Bi on Realty. At this point the line then heads in an easterly direction for 12 t to th sburg Road R.O.W. The District then follows Hinesburg Road northerly for hich point the boundary then follows the property for the South Burlington Realty parcel as it abuts the School Property. The District Boundary then heads north along the Central School Property for 84 feet and 00 feet to the end of Mary Street. The e north prop of the properties located at 2 and District Boundary then proceeds westerly coinc 6 Market Street. The District Boundary then her ig the eastern property lines of stor properties located at 8 and 100 Dorset Street and

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City of South Burlington FY24 Policy Priorities & Strategies

Economic Development Committee

Role of Council	Role of Committee
"This is the vision for our community"	"This is how our resident committees can inform policy and help implement policy."
	Strategy Description
Affordable and Community Stro	ong: Creating a robust sense of place and opportunity for our residents and visitors.
	Continue working on lot line development at 575/577
	Continue advising Council on allocation of ARPA funds
	Work on implementation of recommendations if approved
Opportunity Oriented: Being a s	supportive and engaged member of the larger regional and statewide community.
	Advise community on economic sustainability of the City through the development data resources in the City
	Provide feedback to the PC on issues related to economic development
Walkable: Bicycle and pedestria	an friendly with safe transportation infrastructure.
	Explore how microtransit options may reduce traffic and support the business community
Green & Clean: Emphasizing sus	stainability for long-term viability of a clean and green South Burlington
	Continue to work with green businesses to assess their impact and needs
Core Municipal Services and Ad	ministration
	Start the process of conducting an Economic Development Strategic Plan including finding funding
Comprehensive Plan Update	
	Continued participation in discussions around the Comprehensive Plan
City Center and Tax Increment F	inancing District
	Continue to provide feedback to PC and Umall developers on redevelopment options
Climate Action Plan	
	Explore how business community has envisioned realizing the community Climate Action Plan goals
	Explore CAP implications on South Burlington electrical grid