

# CHAPTER 4

## REGULATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY

### PART IV: SIGN REGULATIONS

#### 4.13 General Provisions

#### 4.14 General Regulations for All Permanent Signs:

- 4.14-A Master Sign Plans
- 4.14-B Calculating Sign Area
- 4.14-C Illuminated Signs
- 4.14-D Color Restrictions
- 4.14-E Glass Limitations
- 4.14-F Special Northwest Highway Condemnation Setback, Size Height and Separation Requirements
- 4.14-G Special Barrington Road Setback
- 4.14-H Unsafe and Unlawful Signs
- 4.14-I Signs Not to Constitute Traffic Hazard or Cause Glare

#### 4.15 Sign Type by Zoning District

- Table 4.15-A Permanent Signs
- Table 4.15-B Temporary Signs

#### Regulations Per Sign Type

#### 4.16 Permanent Signs – Subject to Permit

- 4.16-A Awning and Canopy
- 4.16-B Freestanding Signs: Monument, Historic One- and Two-Pole
- 4.16-C Projecting
- 4.16-D Wall
- 4.16-E Window

#### 4.17 Permanent Special Signs – Subject to a Permit

- 4.17-A Subdivision Signs
- 4.17-B Planned Development Signs
- 4.17-C Automobile Fuel Stations
- 4.17-D Places of Public Assembly
- 4.17-E Public Schools
- 4.17-F Civic Event Signs
- 4.17-G Antique Sign Regulations

#### 4.18 Permanent Signs Not Subject to a Permit

- Table 4.18-A Building Markers, Nameplates and Address Signs, Hours of Operation, Directional and Public Service Signs, Display Cases

#### 4.19 Temporary Signs Not Subject to a Permit

- Table 4.19-A Construction Signs, Temporary New Development Signs, Political Signs, Real Estate Signs

#### 4.20 Temporary Signs Subject to a No-Fee Permit

- Table 4.20-A Temporary Promotional Signs, Garage Sale Signs, Temporary Community Event, Temporary Neighborhood Event, Temporary Directional and Public Service, Temporary Window Signs

#### 4.21 Prohibited Signs

#### 4.22 Amortization of Nonconforming Signs

## 4.13 GENERAL PROVISIONS

### A. Purpose

This section of the Barrington Zoning Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the “Sign Regulations”, creates a legal framework for managing signage. The Sign Regulations also recognize the need for adequate and effective identification and communication. These regulations provide for such identification within a framework that protects the safety and welfare of the public, protects and enhances property values and provides a strong economic base by maintaining the attractive appearance and unique character of Barrington.

In addition, the Sign Regulations provide for a variation process utilizing a citizen-based review body, with the Village of Barrington Board of Trustees as the final authority. The variation process is provided for situations where the Sign Regulations do not allow solutions to special problems.

### B. Objective

1. Provide safe passage for pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
2. Avoid clutter and minimize visual distractions by regulating the number, size, location and illumination of signs.
3. Preserve the character and the unique appearance of Barrington.
4. Provide for legible signage.
5. Promote signage that is compatible with adjoining uses as well as zoning district in which the signage is located.
6. Encourage historic one-pole, historic two-pole, and projecting signs in the A-1, B-1, B-3, B-4, B-R, M-A and O-R districts.

### C. Applicability

The provisions contained in the Sign Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance shall apply to all signage promoting businesses, business properties, commercial enterprise activities, and temporary community / non-profit activities. These regulations may be subject to further restrictions by other applicable regulations of the Zoning Ordinance or applicable provisions of the Barrington Village Code.

### D. Permits and Procedures

#### 1. Permit Required

It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, alter or relocate within the Village of Barrington any sign without first obtaining a required permit from the Zoning Official and paying the appropriate fee as hereinafter if so required.

All permanent signs requiring a permit shall be presented to the Zoning Official for approval. An applicant shall have the right to appeal any decision of the Zoning Official to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

All illuminated signs shall, in addition to these regulations, be subject to all applicable electrical provisions of the Barrington Building and Electrical Codes and the permit fees required thereunder.

No permit shall be required for the following:

- a. Changing letters or the message on any sign that includes a changeable copy panel.
- b. Normal repairs, including repainting of an existing sign, without content change.

- c. The following signs, subject to the regulations of Section 4.18 and 4.19:
  - 1. Building markers
  - 2. Nameplates and address signs
  - 3. Hours of operation signs
  - 4. Directional and public service signs – permanent
  - 5. Flags
  - 6. Warning signs
  - 7. Construction signs
  - 8. Garage sale signs
  - 9. New development signs-temporary
  - 10. Political signs
  - 11. Real estate signs
  - 12. Public wayfinding signage and banners in conformance with a program approved by the Corporate Authorities of the Village

2. Application for Permit

The application for a permit to erect a sign shall be made upon forms provided by the Village of Barrington and shall contain or have attached the following information:

- a. Name, address, and telephone number of the applicant.
- b. Plat of Survey of the subject property.
- c. Location of building, structure, and lot (including Permanent Identification Number) on which the sign is to be attached or erected.
- d. Position (in exact measurements) of the sign in relation to nearby buildings, structures and lot lines.
- e. The required number of sets of construction plans (as determined by the Zoning Official), specifying colors and materials to be used, plans and specifications, methods of construction and electrical wiring, attachment to the building, other structure or the ground.
- f. If required by the Zoning Official, by reason of location, size or safety, a copy of stress sheets and calculations showing that the sign and supports are designed for dead load and wind pressure in any direction as required by this chapter and all other applicable provisions of the Municipal Code.
- g. Name of person and company erecting the sign.
- h. Written consent of the owner of the building, structure, or land to which or on which the sign is to be erected or satisfactory evidence that the applicant has permission pursuant to a current lease.
- i. Evidence of insurance, if required by this chapter.
- j. If required by the Zoning Official, the signature and seal of a registered engineer or architect attesting to the structural stability of the sign and its method of attachment.
- k. A tree preservation plan showing:
  - 1. The location and species of any trees within the construction envelope of the work required to erect or install a Freestanding Sign; and
  - 2. Steps the applicant shall take to preserve the said trees from adverse effects of the erection or installation of the sign.
- l. Such other information as the Zoning Official shall require to show full compliance with this Code and all applicable state, county and municipal regulations.

3. Insurance or Bond Requirements

Every applicant for a permit for a sign which will extend over a public right-of-way or which is located as to be able to topple or drop on a public street, shall as a condition of approval, file a liability insurance policy or certificate of insurance. The limits of insurance liability shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for property damage and not less than three hundred

thousand dollars (\$300,000) for personal injuries. The Village of Barrington its officers, agents and employees shall be named as additional insureds. Such liability insurance policy shall be maintained in force throughout the life of the permit, and if at any time it shall not be in full force, the Zoning Official shall revoke the permit.

4. Issuance of Permit; Twelve-Month Limitation

The Zoning Official shall examine the plans, specifications, and other data submitted with the application for permit, and shall issue a permit to erect the sign only if the proposed sign is in compliance with all the requirements of the Sign Regulations, applicable provisions of the Municipal Code and the permit fee has been paid. If the work authorized under a sign permit has not been completed within twelve (12) months after date of issuance, the said permit shall become null and void.

5. Permit Fees

All required fees shall be paid as a condition of issuance of a sign permit. The fees required for the various types of signs shall be as set forth in the Barrington Village Code.

6. Revocation or Termination of Permits

- a. All permits issued are revocable at any time by the Zoning Official if it is determined that the project is not in compliance with the Sign Regulations, or any other provision of the Village Code.
- b. Upon the termination or revocation of the permit, the permit holder shall remove the sign immediately. Upon failure to do so, the Village of Barrington may remove and dispose of the sign and charge the expense to the permit holder.

**4.14 GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR ALL PERMANENT SIGNS**

All signs on a zoning lot shall be in scale with the size of the site and building. They shall be harmonious in appearance, materials, and content to the support structure and main building and shall reflect the intended character of the area in which they are located, which such harmoniousness shall be one of the factors considered by the respective reviewing body.

**A. Master Sign Plans**

Signage shall be coordinated in appearance, materials, and location for buildings with three (3) or more occupants.

The building owner or agent shall prepare a master sign plan that will be subject to review and approval. Master sign plans can be approved by either the Zoning Official or the Architectural Review Commission, depending on the nature of the proposed master sign plan. The Zoning Official may refer any application to the Architectural Review Commission due to the complexity of the application, the significance of proposed change, or the need for consultation for expertise regarding architectural or construction issues.

The master sign plan shall include the following items:

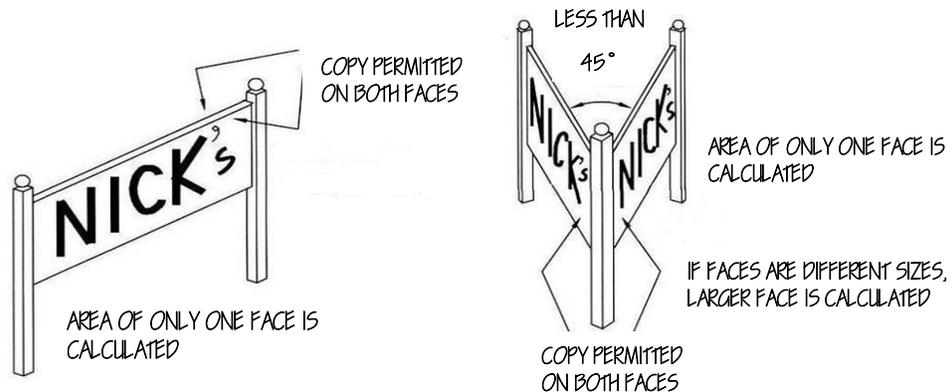
1. Name and Address Element
2. Sign locations
3. Maximum and minimum range of sign sizes
4. Range of sign colors
5. Sign materials

## B. Calculating Sign Area

### 1. Freestanding and Projecting

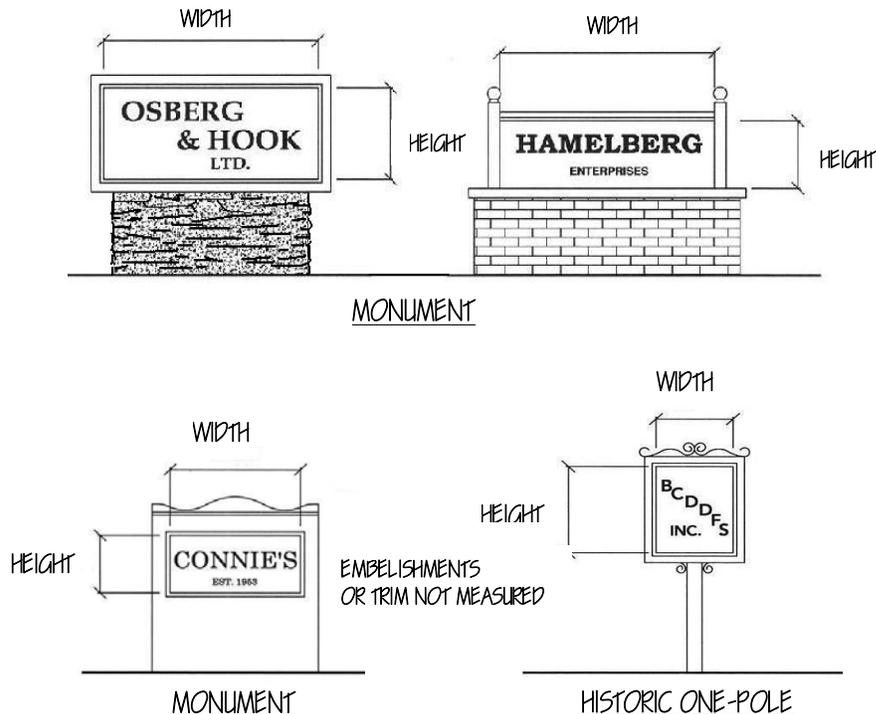
In the case of a double-faced freestanding or projecting sign, only one side of the sign is considered in determining sign area if one (1) the message is identical on both sides and two (2) the sides of the sign diverge at an angle of less than forty-five (45) degrees. (Sign Illustration 1). The area of the sign shall be measured as follows:

#### SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 1

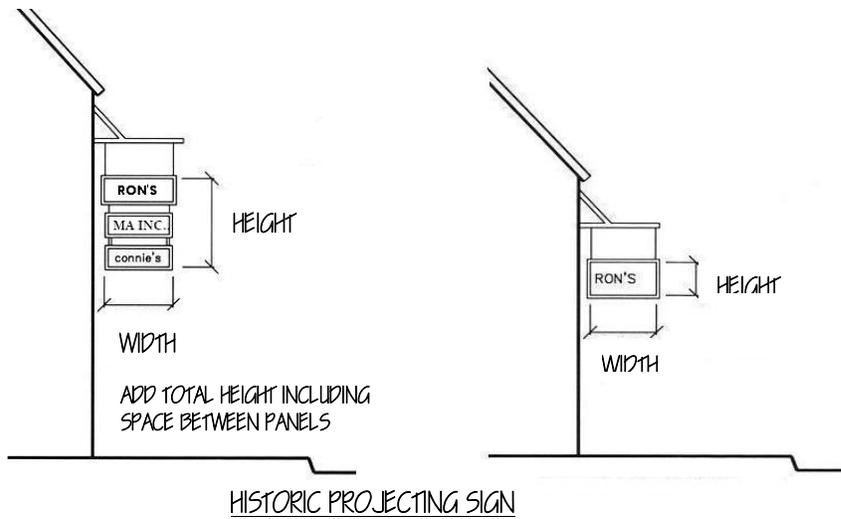
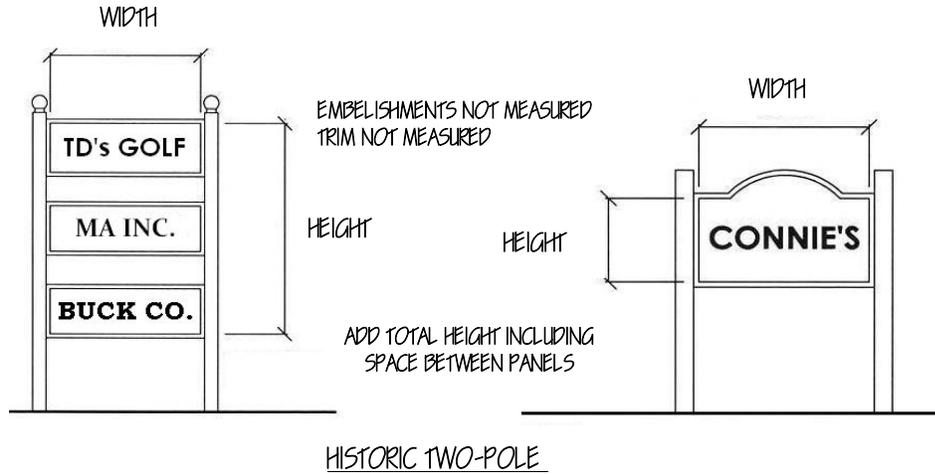


- a. If the sign is composed of one or more sign cabinets or modules, the area enclosing the entire perimeter of all cabinets and/or modules within a single parallelogram shall be the area of the sign. The perimeter of measurable area shall not include embellishments such as pole covers, framing, decorative roofing, etc, provided that there is not written advertising copy on such embellishments and provided that such embellishments are in scale as determined by the Zoning Official. (Sign Illustration 2)

#### SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 2



**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 2 CONT.**

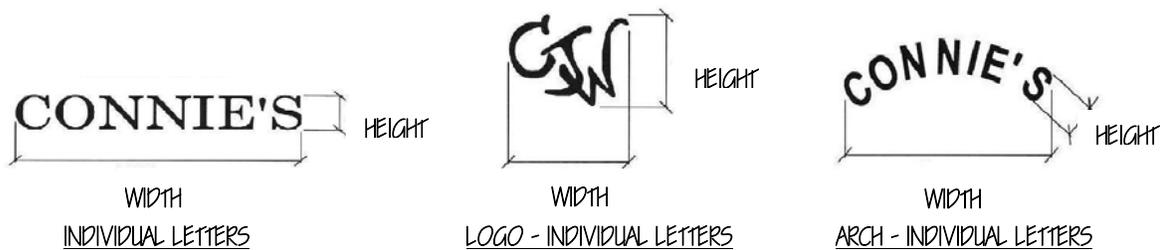


2. Wall/Awning/Canopy/Window

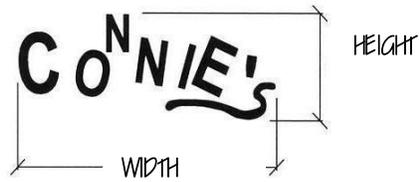
The area of the wall, awning, canopy or window sign shall be measured as follows:

- a. If the sign is composed of individual letters, symbols or elements, using the wall, awning, canopy or window as the background with no added decoration, the total sign area shall be calculated by measuring the area of an imaginary rectangle that encloses the extreme limits of the message. (Sign Illustration 3)

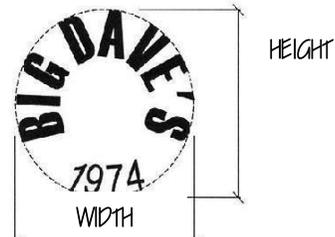
**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 3 – INDIVIDUAL LETTERS**



**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 3 INDIVIDUAL LETTERS CONT.**



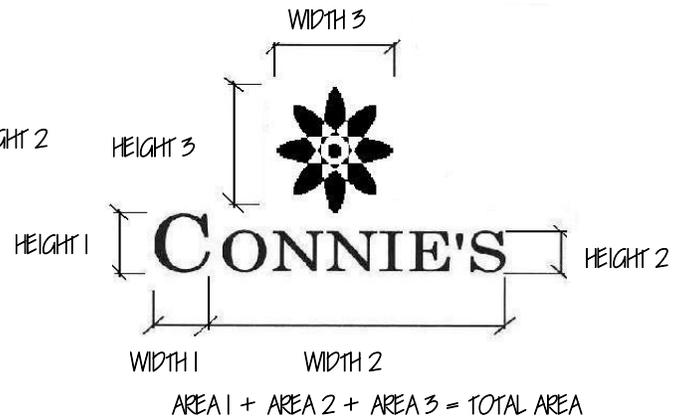
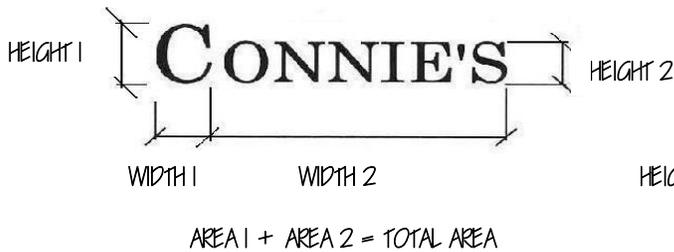
IRREGULAR SHAPE - INDIVIDUAL LETTERS



CIRCLE - INDIVIDUAL LETTERS

- b. When signs are constructed of individual elements, the area of all sign elements, which together convey a single, complete message, shall be considered as a single sign. The sign area is determined by calculating the area of one or more imaginary rectangles. (Sign Illustration 4)

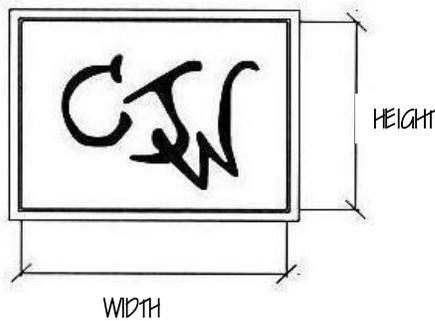
**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 4 - MULTIPLE AREA**



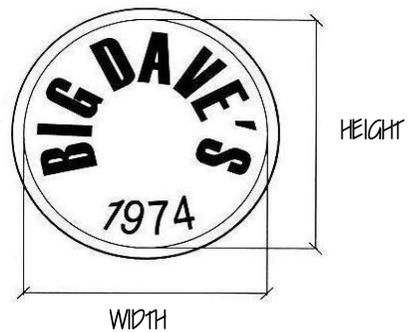
MULTIPLE AREA - INDIVIDUAL LETTERS

- c. If, in the case of a wall sign, the sign is composed of one (1) or more sign cabinets or modules, the area enclosing the entire perimeter of all cabinets and/or modules within a single continuous rectangle shall be the area of the sign. (Sign Illustrations 5, 6 and 7)

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 5 - PANEL SIGNS**

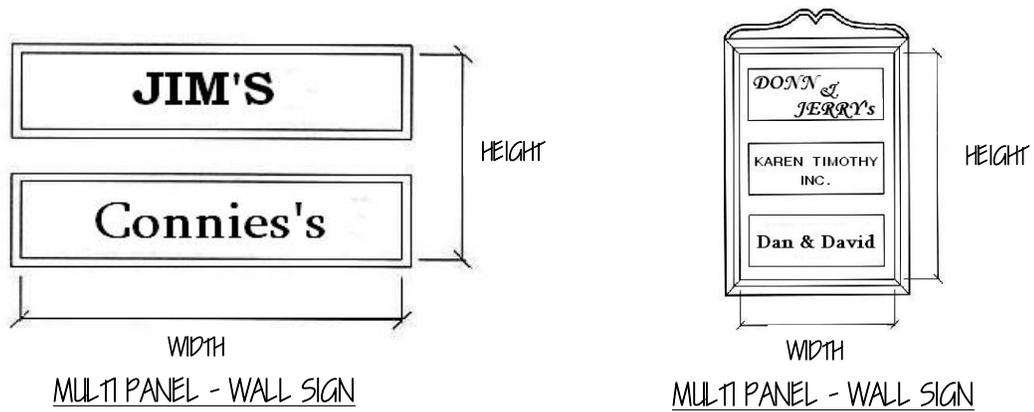


LOGO PANEL - WALL SIGN

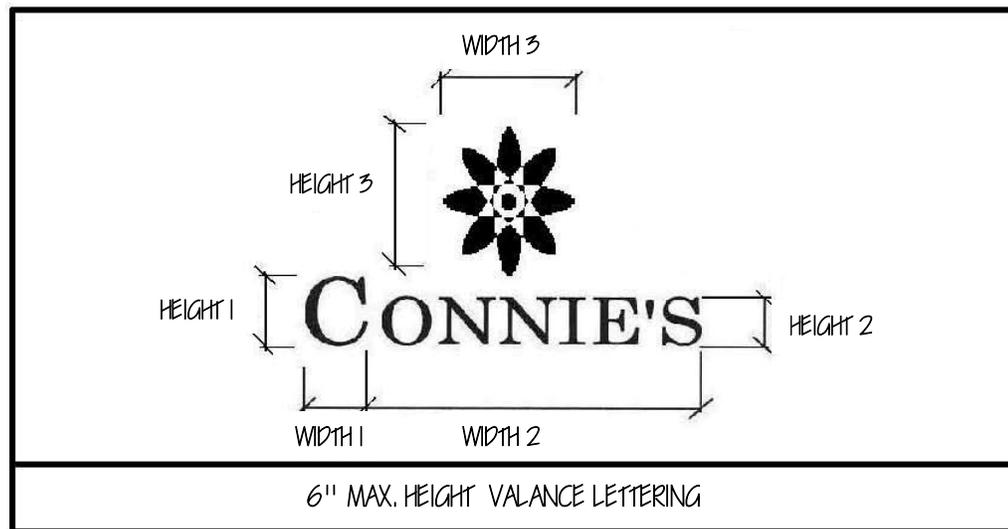


CIRCLE PANEL - WALL SIGN

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 6 – MULTI PANEL – WALL SIGN**



**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 7 – CANOPY SIGNS**



AREA 1 + AREA 2 + AREA 3 = TOTAL AREA

CANOPY SIGN

**C. Illuminated Signs**

1. Where electrical wiring and connections are to be used, the plans and specifications shall comply with the provisions of the Barrington Electrical Code, and all applicable state, county and municipal regulations.
2. Signs may be illuminated only by indirect or internal white light not exceeding 50 foot candles when measured with a standard light meter held parallel to the sign face at a distance equal to the narrowest dimension of the sign face.
3. Backgrounds of internally illuminated signs, canopies, and awnings shall be opaque, only letters and logos shall be illuminated.
4. Other types of acceptable illumination include backlit lettering, spot/flood lighting, individual internally illuminated lettering, or gooseneck lighting.
5. All internally illuminated individual letters twenty-four (24) inches or greater shall be limited to back lighting only.
6. Each illuminated sign shall be equipped with a safety shut off switch.
7. After completion of installation and before the sign is illuminated for regular use, the sign shall be inspected to determine that it complies with the approved plans and specifications and to determine that the direction of the lighting does not interfere with the vision of drivers on any nearby road, street or highway.
8. To prevent the creation of public safety hazards and to ensure that such illumination does not interfere with the use and enjoyment of adjacent properties, illumination of any neon or LED sign shall be limited to that created by a transformer with a 30-milliamp rating or equal. Neon or LED signs shall be subject to the sign area limitations set forth in Section 4.16-E of this Chapter. Neon or LED lighting shall only be permitted as part of a neon or LED sign as defined in this ordinance and shall not be permitted to be installed in a manner that accentuates or draws attention to the exterior features of the building or other structure such as when used as trim along building lines, eaves, rooflines, windows etc. Flashing neon or LED signs are not permitted.
9. All reflectors and lights shall concentrate the illumination upon the area of the sign to prevent glare onto any street or adjacent property. No sign located upon or extending over a public right-of-way shall be illuminated by floodlights or spotlights.

**D. Color Restrictions**

1. Colors equal to or brighter than Chroma 10 in the Munsell color system (see Appendix A) shall comprise no more than twenty-five (25) percent of the signable area of each sign.
2. Colors used on a logo or mark registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office are permitted, provided the background of the entire sign is unpainted or is painted in muted, natural tones. Consistency must be provided between ground sign lettering and the accompanying wall signs on the building.

**E. Glass; Limitations**

Any glass forming a part of any sign shall be labeled safety glass, a minimum of one-fourth (1/4) inch in thickness.

**F. Special Northwest Highway Condemnation Setback, Size Height and Separation Requirements**

In those cases where condemnation and taking by a public agency of property abutting Northwest Highway necessitated the removal and new installation of a freestanding sign, allowable setback size, height and separation for such new signs shall be determined as follows:

1. The setback for the new sign shall be calculated based on the front property line prior to

- the taking. Allowable height and area shall be determined by such setback calculation.
- If determined necessary by the Zoning Official, the required separation between the sign and the building shall be waived or reduced as necessary.

**G. Special Barrington Road Setback**

Notwithstanding other requirements of these Sign Regulations, all Freestanding and Monument Signs on lots located along Barrington Road, south of Cornell Avenue, shall maintain a minimum of one hundred (100) foot setback from the Barrington Road right-of-way.

**H. Unsafe and Unlawful Signs**

If the Zoning Official shall find that any sign is unsafe or insecure, or is a menace to the public, or has been constructed or erected, or is being maintained in violation of the provisions of this chapter or other provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or the Village Code, he shall give written notice to the permit holder thereof or to the owner of the premises as shown on the most recent tax rolls. If the permit holder or owner fails to make corrections or fails to remove or alter the sign within thirty (30) calendar days after said notice, the sign may be removed by the Zoning Official at the expense of permit holder or owner of the property upon which it is located. However, the Zoning Official may cause any sign that is an immediate and imminent peril to persons or property, to be removed summarily with or without notice. Any expense incident thereto shall be paid by the owner, agent or person having the beneficial use of the building, structure or premises on which the sign is found.

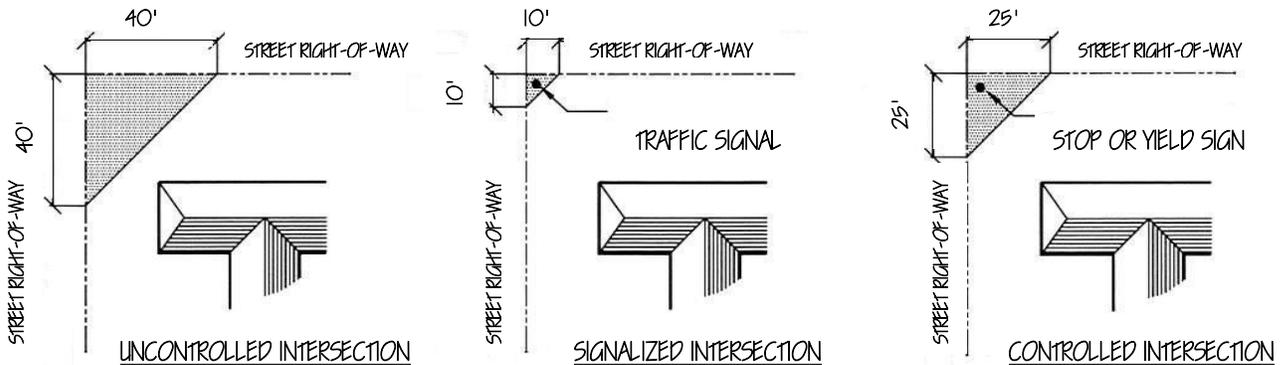
**I. Signs Not to Constitute Traffic Hazard or Cause Glare**

No sign, otherwise allowable, shall be erected or maintained in such a manner as to obstruct free and clear vision, or as to distract the attention of the driver of any vehicle by reason of the position, shape or color thereof.

- No sign 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 sign, signal or device, or in such a manner as to cause glare on any public area or on any residential property.
- No sign shall make use of the words "Stop", "Go", "Look", "Slow", "Danger", or any other similar word, phrase, symbol, or character; and no sign shall employ any red, yellow, orange, green or other colored lamp or light in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead, or confuse traffic.
- No sign shall be erected or maintained in such a manner as to interfere with visibility of drivers using any public area (Sign Illustration 8).

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 8 – TRAFFIC SAFETY SIGHT DISTANCE ZONE**

NOTE: WITHIN THE TRIANGULAR SHAPED AREAS, NO OBSTRUCTIONS TO VISION (E.G.: SIGN, FENCE, WALL, TREE LINE, HEDGE, SHRUBS) MAY EXCEED A HEIGHT OF THREE FEET ABOVE THE ESTABLISHED STREET GRADE.



#### 4.15 SIGN TYPE BY ZONING DISTRICT

TABLE 4.15-A: PERMANENT SIGN TYPE BY ZONING DISTRICT													
SIGN TYPE		DISTRICT											
		A-1	B-1	B-3	B-4	M-A	M-1	O-R	B-R	P-L	R-C	O-S	R-1 – R-8 <sup>1</sup>
Subject to Permit <sup>2</sup>	Awning / Canopy	X	X		X	X			X				
	Monument	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Historic Two Pole	X			X	X			X				
	Historic One Pole				X				X				
	Projecting	X			X	X			X				
	Wall	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Window	X	X		X	X			X				
Not Subject To Permit <sup>4</sup>	Building Markers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Nameplates and Address	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Flags	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Hours of Operation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Directional and Public Service	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Display Cases	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

TABLE 4.15-B: TEMPORARY SIGN TYPE BY ZONING DISTRICT													
SIGN TYPE		DISTRICT											
		A-1	B-1	B-3	B-4	M-A	M-1	O-R	B-R	P-L	R-C	O-S	R-1 – R-8 <sup>1</sup>
Not Subject To Permit <sup>5</sup>	Construction Signs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	New Development Signs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Political	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Real Estate Signs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Subject To a No Fee Permit <sup>6</sup>	Promotional Signs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Garage Sale Signs												X
	Civic Event				X					X	X		
	Community Event Signs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Neighborhood Event	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Directional and Public Service	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

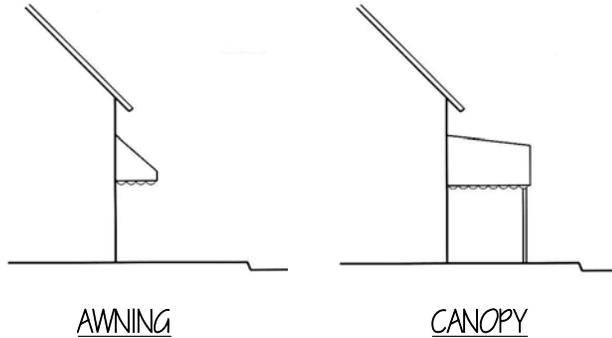
- (1) The illumination of signs in residential districts is not permitted.
- (2) See Section 4.16 for specific regulations for permanent signs, subject to a permit.
- (3) See Section 4.18 for specific regulations for permanent signs, not subject to a permit.
- (4) See Section 4.19 for specific regulations for temporary signs, not subject to a permit.
- (5) See Section 4.20 for specific regulations for temporary signs, subject to a no fee permit.

**REGULATIONS PER SIGN TYPE**

**4.16 PERMANENT SIGNS – SUBJECT TO A PERMIT**

**4.16-A GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR AWNING AND CANOPY**

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 9 - AWNING & CANOPY**

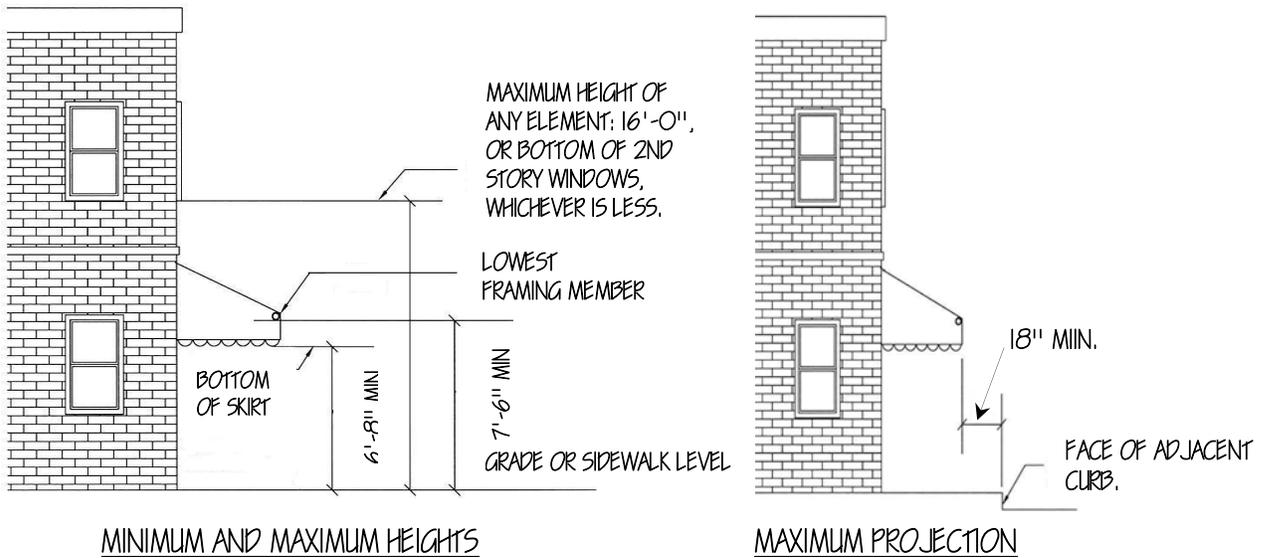


AWNING

CANOPY

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 10 – AWNING & CANOPY**

**Minimum and Maximum Heights and Maximum Projection**

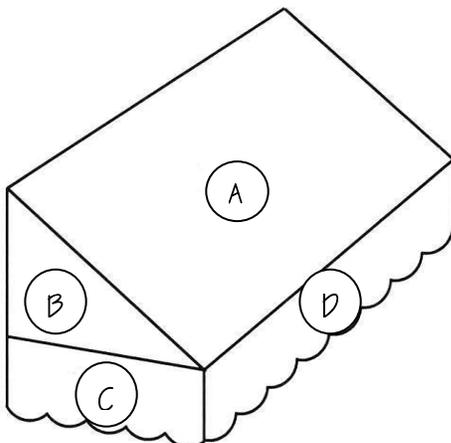


MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM HEIGHTS

MAXIMUM PROJECTION

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 11 – AWNING & CANOPY**

**Signable Area**



SIGN PERMITTED ON A, B, C OR D  
(ONE SIGN TOTAL)

- (A) SLOPE
- (B) WING
- (C) SIDE VALANCE
- (D) FRONT VALANCE

\* IN ADDITION, 6" MAX. HT. LETTERING IS PERMITTED ON SIDE AND FRONT VALANCE

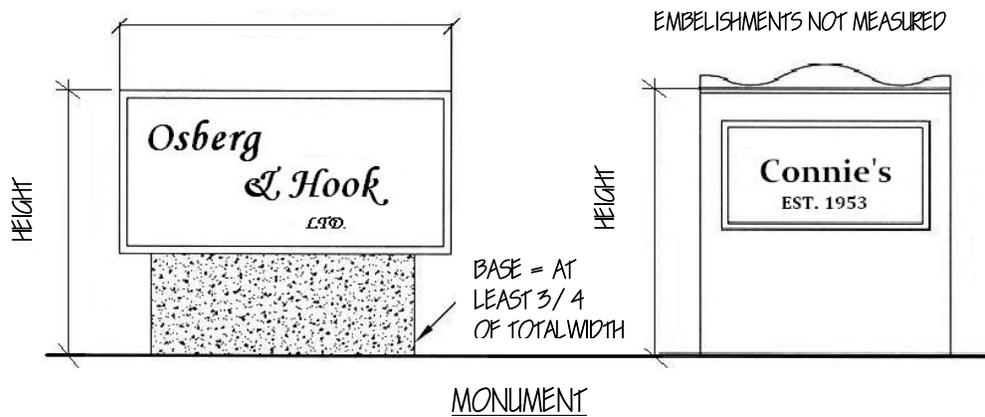
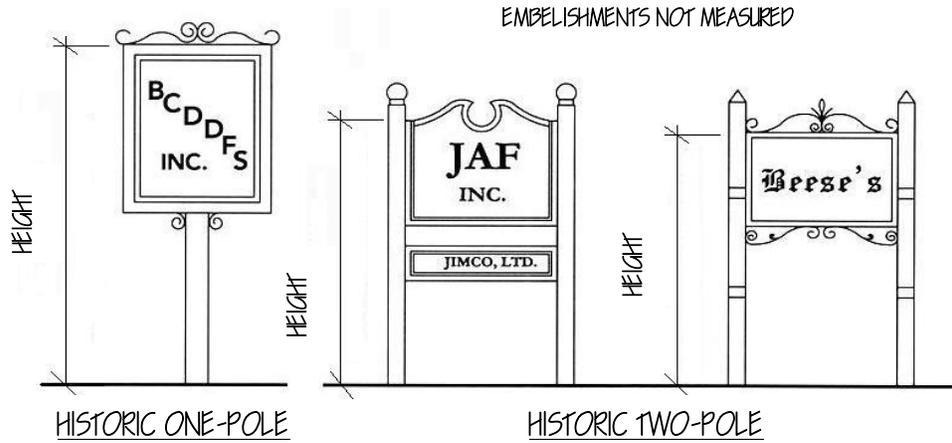
\* NO SIGN SHALL BE PERMITTED TO HANG BELOW THE AWNING OR CANOPY

**TABLE 4.16-A-1: AWNING & CANOPY – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

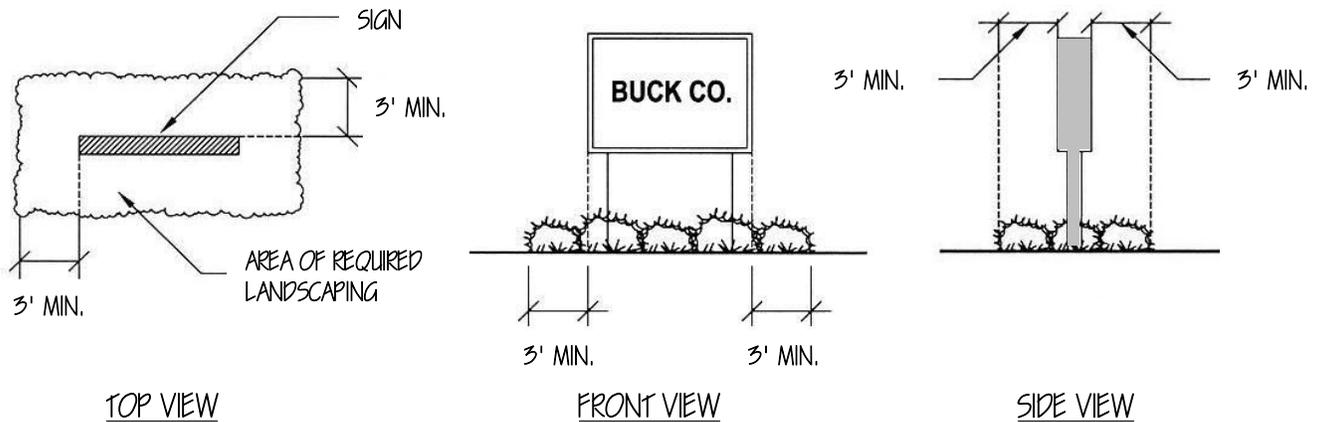
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>
Additional Review Required	Awnings and Canopies can be approved by either the Zoning Official or the Architectural Review Commission, depending on the nature of the proposed awning or canopy. The Zoning Official may refer any application to the Architectural Review Commission due to the complexity of the application, the significance of proposed change, or the need for consultation for expertise regarding architectural or construction issues.
Number of Awning Signs	(1) Per business or (1) per street frontage whichever is greater; In addition: (1) per business with a public entrance off a rear parking lot; If a wall sign is used, awning sign is limited to valance lettering only.
Maximum Sign Area	Slope: 35% of the signable area; Valance: 50%
Valance Lettering	Maximum 6” High
Maximum Height	No higher than 16’ or extend above the parapet, coping or architectural feature or the bottom of any second story window whichever is less
Minimum Height	7’-6” to bottom of frame above ground/sidewalk level 6’-8” to bottom of valance
Maximum Projection	No closer than 18” from face of curb to adjacent street
Materials	Awnings should be fabricated of canvas on metal frames. Awning content must be printed directly on the awning canvas. No stickers and/or overlays are permitted.
Design	Traditional shed type awnings are permitted. Bubble or round awnings are prohibited and shall not be repaired or replaced except as provided in Section 4.22.
Content	Business logo, name and/or two other items of info from the following: address, phone number, website, or a three word business description. (For the purpose of this section conjunctions and prepositions such as “and” and “or” shall be excluded from this calculation of total number of words.)
Color	The color of the awning or canopy shall be compatible with the overall color scheme of the façade. A range of approved awning and canopy cover colors is available from the Engineering and Building Department. For awning or canopy signage color see Section 4-14-D.
Illumination	External only: "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture projecting from the wall. Backlighting of awnings is prohibited. See Section 4.14-C for General Regulations for Illuminated signs.
Sign Surface	No sign shall have exposed nails, tacks, fasteners or wires or any other hazardous projections protruding therefrom.
Preparation	Prior to the issuance of a permit for any sign, the surface to which the sign will be attached shall be repaired to the building’s original condition including, but not limited to, restoration of the original color, repainting, and the repair of holes or other defects in the surface.

**4.16-B GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR FREESTANDING SIGNS**

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 12 – FREESTANDING SIGN HEIGHT**



**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 13 – FREESTANDING SIGN LANDSCAPING**



<b>TABLE 4.16-B-1: FREESTANDING SIGNS – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS</b>		
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>	
Number of Freestanding Signs	(1) Freestanding sign per zoning lot, unless street frontage is equal or greater than 350' in which case, (2) Freestanding signs are permitted with the condition that they are at least 250' apart.	
	Historic Two-pole Signs are allowed additional separate hanging signs below the main sign. Total area of these signs shall not to exceed maximum sign area allowed.	
	Corner lots may have (1) Freestanding sign per frontage provided each frontage length is equal to or greater than 250'.	
Location	Sign must be 8' from any power lines, service drops, line conductors or any equipment that may create a safety hazard.	
	The minimum distance between a Freestanding sign and any building or structure shall be equal to the total height of the sign.	
Side Yard Setback	7' from any side property line	
Material	Historic One-Pole and Two-Pole	Wood, High Density Urethane or Metal
	Monument	Sign Face: Decorative stone, metal, brick, wood or stucco. Sign Base: Decorative brick, stone or cementitious stucco. The base shall extend a min. of 3/4 the entire length of the sign.
Content	Business logo, name and/or two other items of info from the following: address, phone number, website, or a three word business description. (For the purpose of this section conjunctions and prepositions such as “and” and “or” shall be excluded from this calculation of total number of words.)	
Color	For Freestanding Signage colors see Section 4.14-D. The supporting post(s) and/or base of a Freestanding Sign shall be black, white or neutral color.	
Illumination	See District Specific Requirements below and Section 4.14-C.	
Landscaping	The base of Freestanding Signs shall be softened with landscaping sufficient to cover an area extending not less than three (3) feet out from any part of the sign, of appropriate size and species, subject to the approval of the Zoning Official. See Sign Illustration 13.	
Sign Surface	No sign shall have exposed nails, tacks, fasteners or wires or any other hazardous projections protruding therefrom.	
Preparation	Prior to the issuance of a permit for any sign, the surface to which the sign will be attached shall be repaired to the building’s original condition including, but not limited to, restoration of the original color, repainting, and the repair of holes or other defects in the surface.	

<b>TABLE 4.16-B-2: ONE POLE HISTORIC FREESTANDING SIGN – DISTRICT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS</b>						
<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>STREET FRONTAGE</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN AREA</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT</b>	<b>MINIMUM ROW SETBACK</b>	<b>ILLUMINATION</b>	<b>OTHER REQUIREMENTS</b>
B-4	N/A	8 sq. ft.	9 ft.	2 ft.	1) External illumination only, limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. 2) Internal illumination is prohibited.	
B-R	N/A	8 sq. ft.	9 ft.	2 ft.	All illumination prohibited.	

TABLE 4.16-B-3: TWO POLE HISTORIC FREESTANDING SIGN – DISTRICT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS						
DISTRICT	STREET FRONTAGE	MAXIMUM SIGN AREA	MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT	MINIMUM ROW SETBACK	ILLUMINATION	OTHER REQUIREMENTS
A-1 B-4 M-A	N/A	8 sq. ft.	6 ft.	2 ft.	1) External illumination only, limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. 2) Internal illumination is prohibited.	
B-R	N/A	8 sq. ft.	6 ft.	2 ft.	All illumination prohibited.	

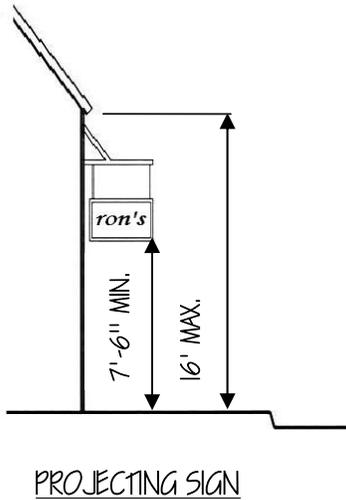
TABLE 4.16-B-4: MONUMENT SIGN – DISTRICT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS <sup>1&amp;2</sup>						
DISTRICT	STREET FRONTAGE	MAXIMUM SIGN AREA	MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT	MINIMUM ROW SETBACK	ILLUMINATION	OTHER REQUIREMENTS
B-1	150 ft. or less (select either)	24 sq. ft.	7.5 ft.	5 ft.	1) External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. 2) Internal illumination see Section 4.14-C.	
		36 sq. ft.	8.5 ft.	15 ft.		
	150+ ft. to 300 ft.	56 sq. ft.	10 ft.	15 ft.		
	300+ ft.	90 sq. ft.	12 ft.	30 ft.		
B-3 PL O-S R-C	300 ft. or less	56 sq. ft.	10 ft.	30 ft.	1) External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. 2) Internal illumination see Section 4.14-C.	
	300+ ft.	90 sq. ft.	12 ft.	30ft.		
A-1 B-4 M-A B-R	50 ft. or less	12 sq. ft.	7.5 ft.	10 ft.	1) External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. 2) Internal illumination is prohibited.	
	150+ ft. to 300 ft.	36 sq. ft.	10 ft.	15 ft.		
	300+ ft.	56 sq. ft.	12 ft.	15ft.		
O-R M-1	300 ft. or less	56 sq. ft.	10 ft.	30 ft.	1) External illumination limited to spot or flood lighting. 2) Internal illumination limited to individually illuminated backlit letters.	
	More than 300 ft.	90 sq. ft.	12 ft.	30 ft.		

(1) See section 4.14-F for Special Northwest Highway Condemnation Setback, Size Height and Separation Requirements

(2) See section 4.14-G for Special Barrington Road Setback

**4.16-C GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR PROJECTING SIGNS**

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 14 - PROJECTING SIGNS**



**TABLE 4.16-C-1: PROJECTING SIGN – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

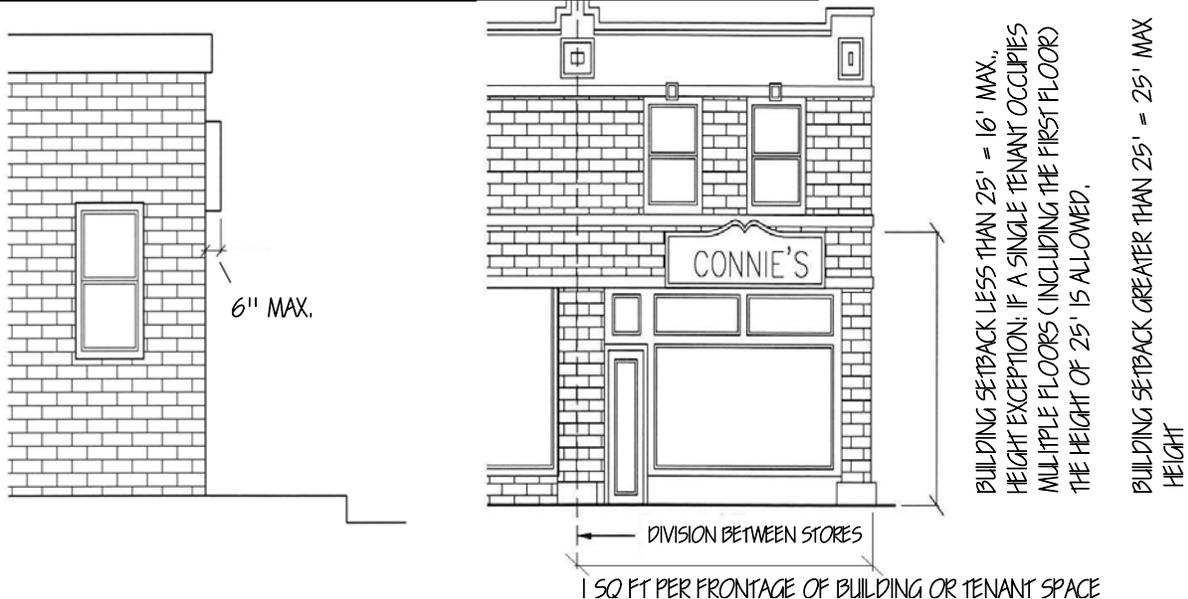
ATTRIBUTE	REQUIREMENT
Number of Projecting Signs	(1) Per public entrance
Location	Above or adjacent to a public entrance.
Maximum Height	No higher than 16' and not above the parapet, coping or architectural feature or the bottom of any second story window.
Minimum Height	7'-6" to bottom of sign above ground/sidewalk level
Maximum Projection	The sign shall not extend more than 42" from the face of the wall and no closer than 18" to the adjacent street.
Materials	Wood, High Density Urethane, or Metal
Content	Business logo, name and/or two other items of info from the following: address, phone number, website, or a three word business description. (For the purpose of this section conjunctions and prepositions such as "and" and "or" shall be excluded from this calculation of total number of words.)
Color	See Section 4.14-D.
Illumination	See District Specific Requirements below and Section 4.14-C.
Sign Surface	No sign shall have exposed nails, tacks, fasteners or wires or any other hazardous projections protruding therefrom.
Preparation	Prior to the issuance of a permit for any sign, the surface to which the sign will be attached shall be repaired to the building's original condition including, but not limited to, restoration of the original color, repainting, and the repair of holes or other defects in the surface.

**TABLE 4.16-C-2: PROJECTING SIGN – DISTRICT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

DISTRICT	MAXIMUM SIGN AREA	ILLUMINATION
A-1 B-4 M-A	6 sq. ft.	External illumination only, limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture.
B-R	4 sq. ft.	Illumination is prohibited.

#### 4.16-D GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR WALL SIGNS

##### SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 15 - WALL SIGN PROJECTION AND AREA



**TABLE 4.16-D-1: WALL SIGNS – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS<sup>1</sup>**

ATTRIBUTE		REQUIREMENT
Number of Wall Signs		(1) per first floor business with direct public access or (1) per street frontage In addition: (1) per business at the public entrance off a rear parking lot If a wall sign is used, awning signage is limited to valance lettering only.
Maximum Sign Area		1 sq ft per linear frontage of building or tenant space on which it is located, or 80 sq ft whichever is less. (Signable area options, see Sign Illustration 18)
Maximum Length of Sign		20 ft.
Maximum Height of Sign Face		4 ft.
Height	Setback less than 25 ft	The signable area shall not extend above the parapet, coping, lower sill of any second story window, or other limiting architectural feature, or the height of sixteen (16) feet, whichever is lower. Exception: if a single tenant occupies multiple floors (including the first floor) the height of twenty five (25) feet is allowed.
	Setback Greater than 25 ft	The signable area shall not extend above the parapet, coping, or other limiting architectural feature, or the height of twenty five (25) feet, whichever is lower.
Projection		Not to exceed six (6) inches from the face of the building, including but not limited to any mounting and/or electrical attachments.
Material		Wood, High Density Urethane, Metal or Plastic
Content		Business logo, name and/or two other items of info from the following: address, phone number, website, or a three word business description. (For the purpose of this section conjunctions and prepositions such as “and” and “or” shall be excluded from this calculation of total number of words.)
Color		See Section 4.14-D.
Illumination		See District Specific Requirements below and Section 4.14-C.
Sign Surface		No sign shall have exposed nails, tacks, fasteners or wires or any other hazardous projections protruding therefrom.
Preparation		Prior to the issuance of a permit for any sign, the surface to which the sign will be attached shall be repaired to the building’s original condition including, but not limited to, restoration of the original color, repainting, and the repair of holes or other defects in the surface.

(1) Signs painted directly on the wall surface of a building shall require the approval of the ARC and are only allowed in the B-4 Village Center District.

TABLE 4.16-D-2: WALL SIGN – DISTRICT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	
DISTRICT	ILLUMINATION
B-1 B-3	External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. Internal Illumination see Section 4.14-C.
A-1 B-4 B-R M-A	External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. Internal illumination is prohibited.
O-R O-S M-1 P-L R-C	External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. Internal illumination shall be limited to individually backlit letters.

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 16 – SIGNABLE AREA OPTIONS**



**4.16-E GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR WINDOW SIGNS**

**SIGN ILLUSTRATION: 17 - WINDOW SIGNS**



LETTERS APPLIED DIRECTLY TO WINDOW,  
OR NEON WITHIN 12" OF INSIDE FACE OF WINDOW.

<b>TABLE 4.16-E-1: WINDOW SIGNS – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS</b>	
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>
Number of Window Signs	(1) Per business or (1) per street frontage whichever is greater; In addition: (1) per business at the public entrance off a rear parking lot
Maximum Sign Area	Maximum sign area shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the total area of the window or glass surface or eighteen (18) square feet, whichever is greater. Neither the sign nor the sign area shall extend over or through any Architectural Features, including but not limited to window muntins
Materials	Individual vinyl or painted letters and/or logo professionally applied directly on window.
Content	Business logo, name and/or two other items of info from the following: address, phone number, website, or a three word business description. (For the purpose of this section conjunctions and prepositions such as “and” and “or” shall be excluded from this calculation of total number of words.)
Color	See Section 4.14-D.
Illumination	See Section 4.14-C. Illumination of Window Signs is not permitted in the B-R District.

<b>TABLE 4.16-E-2: WINDOW SIGNS – NEON/LED</b>	
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>
Number of Window Signs	One (1) Per business or one (1) per street frontage, whichever is greater
Maximum Sign Area	Four (4) square feet
Color	No color restrictions shall apply.
Illumination	See Section 4.14-C. Illumination of Window Signs is not permitted in the B-R District.
Other	Flashing or animated signs are not permitted,

**4.17 PERMANENT SPECIAL SIGNS – SUBJECT TO A PERMIT**

**A. SUBDIVISION SIGNS**

Subdivision Signs shall require a special use permit, as regulated in Chapter 3 of the Zoning Ordinance.

<b>TABLE 4.17-A: REGULATIONS FOR SUBDIVISION SIGNS</b>						
<b>STREET FRONTAGE</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN AREA</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT</b>	<b>MINIMUM ROW SETBACK</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>	<b>ILLUMINATION</b>	<b>OTHER REQUIREMENTS</b>
250 ft. or less	48 sq. ft.	8 ft.	10 ft.	Name of Subdivision	Illumination is limited to external lighting. See Section 4.14-C for additional requirements. Internal illumination of Subdivision Signs is not permitted.	1) No portion of the sign shall be located on Village property. Or on any rights-of-way 2) Signs must be located on association property or private property with easement granted to the association
251 ft. to 500 ft.	60 sq. ft.	9 ft.	15 ft.			
More than 500 ft.	72 sq. ft.	10 ft.	20 ft.			

**B. PLANNED DEVELOPMENT SIGNS**

All Signs within a Planned Development shall be reviewed within the Planned Development process as regulated in Section 3.17 of the Zoning Ordinance. The Planned Development process allows variation in permitted types of signs, number of signs, size of signs, location of signs, and materials of signs, as determined during the Planned Development hearing(s) by the Village of Barrington Architectural Review Commission, Plan Commission and Board of Trustees.

**C. SIGN REGULATIONS FOR AUTOMOBILE FUEL STATIONS**

Notwithstanding other provisions of these Sign Regulations, the regulations of this Section 4.17-C shall apply to Automobile Fuel Stations where gasoline and/or other automotive fuels are sold. Other applicable sections of these Sign Regulations shall apply.

<b>TABLE 4.17-C: REGULATIONS FOR AUTOMOBILE FUEL</b>	
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>
Price Information	In addition to other permitted signs, any permitted Freestanding Sign indicating the current price of gasoline or other fuel may be increased in area a maximum of twenty (20) percent above the normally permitted maximum area, but no more than the additional twenty (20) percent of sign area shall be used to display the price of gasoline or other fuels.
Island Identification Signs	Island Identification Signs designating full-service or self-service pump islands may be provided at each island provided that: 1) There shall be no more than two (2) display surfaces per island. 2) Each such display surface shall be no larger than five (5) square feet. 3) No logo or other advertising message shall be allowed on the face of such sign.
Required Informational Signage	Pump labels and safety warnings, required by law, are exempt from these regulations. Pricing information labels or decals when applied to the glass portion of pumps shall also be exempt from these Sign Regulations.

**D. SIGN REGULATIONS FOR PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY**

Notwithstanding other provisions of these Sign Regulations, the regulations of this Section 4.17-D shall apply to Places of Public Assembly. Other applicable sections of these Sign Regulations shall apply.

<b>TABLE 4.17-D: SIGN REGULATIONS FOR PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY</b>					
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>		<b>REQUIREMENT</b>			
Sign Types Allowed		1) Freestanding Signs. (See 4.16-B) a. Monument b. Historic Two-Pole 2) Wall Signs (See 4.16-D) 3) All Permanent Signs established and regulated in Section 4.18 of these Sign Regulations but which are not subject to a permit.  It is recognized that Place of Public Assembly signage, by its nature, has unique and constantly changing requirements. Therefore, manually changeable copy shall be permitted if incorporated into the identification sign for the respective Place of Public Assembly.			
Number of Signs	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	(1) Historic Two-Pole or Monument Sign shall be permitted for any Place of Public Assembly. Such a sign may be used to identify the name of the place of assembly, the date and time when services are offered, and other messages relating to that Place of Public Assembly.			
	Wall Signs	One (1) Wall Sign is permitted for each side of the building with street frontage or public entrance.			
Maximum Sign Area & Height	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	<b>STREET FRONTAGE</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN AREA</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT</b>	<b>MINIMUM ROW SETBACK</b>
		150 ft. or less (select either)	24 sq. ft.	7.5 ft.	5 ft.
			36 sq. ft.	8.5 ft.	15 ft.
		150+ ft. to 300 ft.	56 sq. ft.	10 ft.	15 ft.
	300+ ft.	90 sq. ft.	12 ft.	30 ft.	
	Wall Signs	See Section 4.16-D.			
Materials	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	Wood, High Density Urethane or Metal (individual letters only)			
	Wall Signs				
Illumination	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. Internal illumination see Section 4.14-C.			
	Wall Signs	Illumination of Wall Signs is prohibited.			

**E. SIGN REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOLS**

Notwithstanding other provisions of these Sign Regulations, the regulations of this Section 4.17-E shall apply to Schools. Other applicable sections of these Sign Regulations shall apply.

For the purpose of this section, schools shall include public and private institutions that provide full time educational programs at the primary, secondary, vocational or college levels. The definition of school for the purpose of this section does not include nursery schools or day care facilities.

<b>TABLE 4.17-E: SIGN REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOLS</b>					
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>		<b>REQUIREMENT</b>			
Sign Types Allowed		1) Freestanding Signs. (See 4.16-B) a. Monument b. Historic Two-Pole 2) Wall Signs. (See 4.16-D) 3) All Permanent Signs established and regulated in Section 4.18 of these Sign Regulations but which are not subject to a permit.  It is recognized that school signage, by its nature, has unique and constantly changing requirements. Therefore, manually changeable copy shall be permitted if incorporated into the identification sign for the respective school.			
Number of Signs	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	(1) Historic Two-Pole or Monument Sign shall be permitted for any school, announcing events and special activities at the school and special announcements of a general interest to the public.			
	Wall Signs	One (1) Wall Sign is permitted for each side of the building with street frontage or public entrance.			
Maximum Sign Area & Height	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	<b>STREET FRONTAGE</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN AREA</b>	<b>MAXIMUM SIGN HEIGHT</b>	<b>MINIMUM ROW SETBACK</b>
		150 ft or less (select either)	24 sq. ft.	7.5 ft.	5 ft.
			36 sq. ft.	8.5 ft.	15ft.
		150+ ft to 300 ft	56 sq. ft.	10 ft.	15ft.
	300+ ft.	90 sq. ft.	12 ft.	30ft.	
	Wall Signs	See Section 4.16-D.			
Materials	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	Wood, High Density Urethane or Metal (individual letters only)			
	Wall Signs				
Illumination	Monument and Historic Two-Pole	External illumination limited to "gooseneck" lighting or other traditional-looking fixture. Internal illumination see Section 4.14-C.			
	Wall Signs	Illumination of Wall Signs is prohibited.			

**F. SIGN REGULATIONS FOR CIVIC EVENT SIGNS**

<b>TABLE 4.17-F: SIGN REGULATIONS CIVIC EVENT SIGNS</b>	
<b>ATTRIBUTE</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT</b>
Permanent Sign Types Allowed	1) Freestanding Signs. (See 4.16-B) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Historic Two-Pole</li> <li>b. Monument</li> </ul> 2) Manual Changeable Copy Signs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Sign display area shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet.</li> </ul> It is recognized that Civic Event Signage, by its nature, has unique and constantly changing requirements. Therefore, manually changeable copy shall be permitted if incorporated into the primary sign.
Temporary Sign Types Allowed	Banners used as temporary civic event signs shall be permitted, subject to the following conditions and restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Banners shall not be displayed longer than seven (7) calendar days.</li> <li>2) Banners shall not be erected without the submission and approval of an application to the Village Manager’s office.</li> <li>3) The specific location of the proposed banner shall be included in the application.</li> <li>4) The maximum number of banners that may be displayed for any event shall be one (1).</li> <li>5) Banners shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet of surface area and twelve (12) feet in height.</li> </ul>
Special Use Signs	Changeable Copy, Electronic Signs shall only be permitted as civic event signs and shall require a special use permit, as regulated in Chapter 3 of the Zoning Ordinance. In addition, the following conditions and restrictions shall apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Changeable Copy, Electronic shall be allowed only on publically owned lands in the B-4, P-L and R-C Districts. There shall be a maximum of one (1) Changeable Copy, Electronic Sign per lot or parcel.</li> <li>2) One Changeable Copy, Electronic Sign per lot or parcel may be substituted for a permitted Freestanding Sign provided that:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The sign shall be not less than three-hundred (300) feet from any residentially zoned property used for residential purposes; and</li> <li>b. The Changeable Copy, Electronic portion of the sign display shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet of surface area.</li> <li>c. The total sign display shall not exceed fifty (50) square feet of surface area.</li> <li>d. The maximum height of the sign shall not exceed ten (10) feet.</li> <li>e. The sign shall be located on an arterial or collector street as identified by the Director of Engineering and Building.</li> <li>f. Each message shall be displayed at least ten (10) seconds before the next message is displayed.</li> <li>g. There shall be a time delay of no less than two (2) seconds between complete messages and there shall be no time delay between frames of a single message.</li> <li>h. Scrolling of messages and/ animation is prohibited.</li> <li>i. Each message shall be designed and located so that the entire message is legible to motorists intended to view it.</li> <li>j. The sign shall be constructed from non-reflective materials and illuminated in a manner that does not create a glare.</li> <li>k. The amount of text shall be limited so as to display a message that is legible to motorists intended to view it.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Number of Signs	(1) Sign total permitted per lot.
Maximum Sign Area	32 sq. ft.
Maximum Sign Height	10 ft.
Materials	Wood, brick, stone, high density urethane or metal
Illumination	Illumination see Section 4.14-C.

## **G. ANTIQUE SIGN REGULATIONS**

### **1. Intent**

Signs having special, aesthetic, vintage, landmark or architectural significance, and whose preservation and continued utilization are beneficial and desirable, shall be permitted; provided a resolution declaring their significance is adopted by the Corporate Authorities. No such sign shall be declared aesthetically or architecturally significant unless after a public hearing regarding the significance of the sign, the Barrington Architectural Review Commission (ARC) determines that such sign meets the criteria established in Section 4.17-G.2, below. The findings and determination of the ARC on such an application shall be referred to the Corporate Authorities, which Corporate Authorities shall then take such action on the recommendation of the ARC as they deem fit, necessary and proper.

### **2. Guidelines for Antique Signs**

In establishing that a particular sign is antique and worthy of special consideration, the Architectural Review Commission shall find that the sign meets at least two of the following guidelines:

1. The sign shall have been constructed during or prior to the 1940's.
2. The sign should represent unique or distinctive graphic design.
3. The overall character of Barrington would be lessened with the removal of the sign.

### **3. Special Consideration for Variation**

As established in Section 4.22 of these Sign Regulations, the owner of a nonconforming sign who desires that such sign be declared an Antique Sign may request a variation for the nonconforming sign. If the Corporate Authorities determine that the sign is an Antique Sign, they shall provide special consideration for the sign in evaluating the Findings of Fact for a variation, as contained in Section 3.16 of the Zoning Ordinance. Specifically, the Corporate Authorities shall find that:

1. A finding by the Corporate Authorities that a sign is an Antique Sign shall, in itself, constitute a hardship.
2. The sign represents a unique physical condition.
3. The existence of the Antique Sign is not self-created.
4. The unique conditions of the Antique Sign would result in a denial of substantial property rights, even if other property owners do not commonly enjoy such rights.
5. The request for Antique Sign status is not merely a request for special status.
6. The unique conditions of the Antique Sign would not conflict with the intent of these Sign Regulations.
7. No other remedy is available for preserving the Antique Sign.
8. Granting a variance for the Antique Sign is the minimum measure of relief necessary.

**4.18 PERMANENT SIGNS NOT SUBJECT TO PERMIT**

A permit shall not be required for the following signs, unless illuminated, when erected or displayed as set forth below and in accordance with all other requirements of the zoning district in which they are located. All signs that are illuminated shall require a permit.

<b>TABLE 4.18-A: PERMANENT SIGNS NOT SUBJECT TO PERMIT</b>						
<b>TYPE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF SIGNS</b>	<b>SIZE</b>	<b>MAXIMUM HEIGHT</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>	<b>MATERIAL</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
<b>Building Markers</b>	(2) signs per building	3 sq. ft.	8ft.	Name of the building and date of construction	Masonry or Metal	
<b>Nameplates and Address Signs</b>	(1) sign address per street frontage	3 sq. ft.	10 ft.	Occupants and/or address of buildings and/or lots	Masonry or Metal	
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	(1) sign per business	1 sq. ft.	8 ft.			
<b>Directional and Public Service Signs</b>	No Limit	6 sq. ft.	6 ft.			<p>a. All such signs shall be indicated on site plans for lots subject to site plan review and Planned Development or special use approval. Signs for other lots shall be subject to the review and approval of the Zoning Official.</p> <p>b. All such signs shall be located outside of street right-of-way areas and shall be limited to the following types of signs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Signs controlling site ingress and egress.</li> <li>2) Parking information or traffic control signs.</li> <li>3) Utility signs.</li> </ol>
<b>Flags</b>	(5) per zoning lot					National, state, municipal, and corporate flags shall be permitted on any lot subject to the regulations set forth in the Federal Flag Code.
<b>Warning Signs</b>						Labels and safety warnings required by federal and/or state laws are exempt from the regulations of the Sign Regulations.
<b>Display Cases</b>	(1) per business	6 sq. ft.	6 ft.			<p>a. All such signs shall be fully enclosed in a glass-fronted case.</p> <p>b. No display case may project more than six (6) inches beyond the face of the wall to which it is mounted.</p> <p>c. Displays shall be limited to external illumination only. Backlit illumination is not permitted.</p> <p>d. Display Cases are only permitted for restaurant uses.</p>

**4.19 TEMPORARY SIGNS NOT SUBJECT TO A PERMIT**

A permit shall not be required for the following temporary signs, unless illuminated, when erected or displayed as set forth below and in accordance with all other requirements of the zoning district in which they are located. This category of sign includes, but is not limited to, new development signs, new construction signs, political signs, and real estate signs. All signs that are illuminated shall require a permit.

TABLE 4.19-A: TEMPORARY SIGNS NOT SUBJECT TO A PERMIT								
TYPE	DISTRICT	NUMBER OF SIGNS	SIZE	HEIGHT	LOCATION SETBACK	CONTENT	DISPLAY PERIOD	OTHER
Temporary Signs Not Subject to Permit	ALL Zoning Districts	Less than 100 ft of street frontage (1) sign per zoning lot  Greater than 100 ft of street frontage (2) signs per zoning lot  Except neither of these limitations shall apply to political signs	16 sq. ft. per sign, and no zoning lot may display more than 32 sq. feet of signage, regardless of the size of the parcel or its street frontage	6 ft.	Signs that relate to a specific location shall be posted only on the private property which is the subject of the sign.  Such signs shall be set back at least 25 feet from the edge of pavement of any adjacent street. Where the principal structure is less than 25 feet from the edge of the adjacent street, signs shall be set as close to the structure as possible, with no more than 5 feet between the sign and the structure, but only on private property.  Such signs cannot be placed on public rights-of-way  Such signs cannot be placed on any property without the consent of the current legal property owner.	For new development and construction signs, content shall be limited to project contractor, architect, engineer and developer, imagery, contact information  For real estate signs, content shall be limited to leasing and/or selling agent who may list their information as required by the Illinois Real Estate License Act and riders such as “under contract”, “sold”, “open house” and the like. Such information may be located on multi-tenant signs	In order to avoid unnecessary interference with vehicular traffic, signs shall be removed within 48 hours after the conclusion of any event advertised or referred to in such signage, and removal of new development, and construction signs shall be required after the occupancy of 75% total floor space or units except that this restriction shall not be applicable to the display of political campaign signs on residential property as and to the extent provided by 65 ILCS 5/11-13-1	Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.

**4.20 TEMPORARY SIGNS SUBJECT TO A NO FEE PERMIT**

Every Temporary Promotional Sign shall be securely attached, in a safe and secure manner approved by the Zoning Official. No Temporary Promotional Sign shall be attached to a stationary vehicle or trailer. Insurance requirements provided for in this chapter apply to temporary signs unless the Zoning Official determines that, by reason of the nature of the sign and the material of which it is constructed, no insurance should be required.

**When Permitted**

1. The Barrington Village Manager or his designee shall approve all temporary sign permits. Each such temporary sign request shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the Zoning Official. All such requests shall include the number of signs requested; the content, design, proposed location, construction materials, and dates of postings of such signs. Any violation of this Section 4.20 during the previous twelve-month (12) period may cause for denial of such request.
2. All such approvals or denials granted by the Barrington Village Manager pursuant to this section may be revoked at any time by the Board of Trustees. Upon denial by the Barrington Village Manager, such requests may be brought by the applicant directly before the Board of Trustees.

**TABLE 4.20-A: TEMPORARY SIGNS SUBJECT TO A NO FEE PERMIT**

TABLE 4.20-A: TEMPORARY SIGNS SUBJECT TO A NO FEE PERMIT						
TYPE	NUMBER OF SIGNS	SIZE	HEIGHT	LOCATION / SETBACK	DISPLAY PERIOD	OTHER
Temporary Promotional Signs	Banners on buildings	(2) per business	90 % of the signable area or 32 sq. ft., whichever is less	16 ft.	Signs posted only on the tenant space of the business concerned, except if the property is 2.5 ft or less from the public right-of-way, the following shall apply: 1) The sign may be located on a public walk, provided a minimum 5 ft wide clear and unobstructed path is provided. 2) The sign shall be removed from the public walk at all times the business is not open. 3) The sign shall not interfere with snow removal. 4) The sign shall not be attached to a utility pole, fire hydrant, or street sign. 5) No portion of the sign shall be located over or within a public street, road or alley.	Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.  Sandwich Boards must be wood or metal, plastic is not permitted.
	Banners Freestanding		8 sq. ft.	5 ft.		
	Balloons		5 balloons or 3 ft high by 3 ft wide	8 ft.		
	Banner Flags		44" x 32"	8 ft.		
	Sandwich Boards		6 sq. ft.	4 ft.		
	Temporary Window Signs	(1) per Business	No individual window shall have more than fifty (50) percent of its area devoted to temporary windows signs and no more than (25) percent of all ground floor windows facing a public street or parking lot.	Ground Floor Windows		

**TABLE 4.20-A cont.: TEMPORARY SIGNS SUBJECT TO A NO FEE PERMIT**

TYPE	NUMBER OF SIGNS	SIZE	HEIGHT	LOCATION / SETBACK	DISPLAY PERIOD	OTHER
<b>Temporary Community Event</b>	(6) Signs for any single event	8 sq. ft.	5 ft.,  Banners may exceed 5 ft in height if the Zoning Official determines that the banner will not compromise the public safety and welfare.	1) Signs may be located in the rights-of-way subject to approval by the Zoning Official provided the location will not compromise public safety and welfare.  2) Signs shall not be erected on property within any residential district unless the property has frontage along an arterial and/or collector street.	7 Days prior to the event, and removed 24 hours following the event.	The community event being promoted shall be held in Barrington, be sponsored by Barrington businesses or be sponsored by a Barrington-Area civic organization or not-for-profit organization with substantial functional membership and/or participatory connections to the Village of Barrington. All Temporary Community Event Signs shall be consistent with the Village Community Events Sign Policy as amended from time to time.  Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.
<b>Temporary Neighborhood Event</b>				Signs may be located in the rights-of-way subject to approval by the Zoning Official provided the location will not compromise public safety and welfare.		The neighborhood event being promoted shall held in Barrington and be sponsored by a homeowners association that represents at least ten (10) homes.  Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.
<b>Temporary Directional &amp; Public Service Signs</b>	No Limit	6 sq. ft.	6 ft.	1) All such signs shall be located outside of street rights-of-way. 2) Signs may be located in the rights-of-way subject to approval by the Zoning Official provided the location will not compromise public safety and welfare.	Removed 24 hours following the event.	Types of Signs Permitted: 1) Signs controlling site ingress and egress. 2) Parking information or traffic control signs. 3) Utility signs. 4) Emergency or public safety signs. 5) Legal notice signs.  Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.
<b>Garage Sale Signs</b>	1 sign per garage sale (corner lots may have 2 signs)	8 sq. ft.	5 ft.	Signs posted only on the private property where the garage sale is being held.	Signs may only be displayed on days of the sale. Signs should be removed by 9:00 PM on the last day of the garage sale.	Illumination of temporary signs is not permitted.

#### **4.21 PROHIBITED SIGNS**

Particular types of signs may be prohibited in specific zoning districts, as established in this Part IV of Chapter Four "Sign Regulations". In addition, the following signs shall be prohibited in all zoning districts.

- A.** Marquees, except as specifically provided for in Section 4.17-G.
- B.** Roof Signs.
- C.** Flashing Signs.
- D.** Moving Signs.
- E.** Pennants and Streamers.
- F.** Poster Signs.
- G.** Portable Signs, except as specifically provided for in Section 4.20.
- H.** Pylon Signs
- I.** Off-Site signs, except as specifically permitted.
- J.** Signs that imitate, obstruct, or distract from the visibility or effectiveness of any traffic signs, signals or devices.
- K.** Two-Pole Freestanding Signs, except Historic Two-Pole Freestanding Signs.
- L.** Wheeled Signs.
- M.** Signs placed on parked vehicles or trailers where the apparent purpose is to advertise a product or to direct people to a business or activity located on the same or nearby property.
- N.** Motor vehicles whose sole apparent purpose is to advertise business. Motor vehicles engaged in the cartage of goods or the transportation of passengers are exempt from this restriction. When on-site, these vehicles shall be parked in the spaces furthest from the public street.
- O.** Signs that contain untruthful or misleading information.
- P.** Inflatable images such as balloons, animals, beer cans, etc.
- Q.** Signs that advertise, identify, or pertain to a use no longer conducted, or a product no longer sold, on the premises where such sign is located.
- R.** Changeable Copy Signs, except where specifically permitted.
- S.** Electronic Changeable Copy Signs, except where specifically permitted.
- T.** Projecting Signs, except where specifically permitted.
- U.** If a sign is not specifically permitted in its respective zoning district, it is prohibited.
- V.** Any sign exceeding ninety (90) square feet is prohibited.

#### **4.22 AMORTIZATION OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS**

##### **A. Notice of Nonconformity**

The Zoning Official shall notify, in writing, the permit holders of all nonconforming signs that such signs are not in conformance with the sign regulations of these Sign Regulations. In the case of signs erected without a permit, written notice shall be sent to the property owner of record and the business occupant(s) of the property. Such written notice shall include the amortization schedule applicable to the particular type of nonconforming sign on the property.

##### **B. Amortization Schedule**

1. The amortization period shall commence at the expiration of a thirty (30) calendar day appeal period, which begins upon the mailing of the written notice of nonconformity. The appeal period allows for: a) an appeal of an administrative decision, and b) the filing of an application for a variation. If an appeal or a variation is filed, the amortization period begins as of the date that the final action was taken by the Board of Trustees on the application for a variance or appeal, if such variance or appeal is denied.

2. Prohibited signs (for the purpose of this section, prohibited signs shall include those signs listed in Section 4.21 which were in existence on the effective date of these regulations), may continue to be displayed until the earlier of the following: 1) a period of five (5) years from the effective date of these Sign Regulations; 2) until the sign is damaged or destroyed to the extent of twenty (20) percent of its replacement value.
3. Nonconforming signs which were in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance prior to the effective date of these Sign Regulations may continue to be displayed until the sign is damaged or destroyed to the extent of thirty (30) percent of its replacement value.

**C. Abandoned Signs**

Any sign which advertises a business no longer being conducted or a product no longer being sold shall be removed by the permit holder, or by the owner, agent or person having the beneficial use of the premises upon which such sign may be found, within thirty (30) calendar days after written notification from the Zoning Official. Upon failure to comply with such notice, the Zoning Official is authorized to remove and dispose of such sign at the expense of the permit holder or the owner, agent or person having the beneficial use of the premises.

1. Conforming sign: If a structure is vacant for a period of thirty (30) calendar days or longer, any conforming sign(s) related to its use shall be covered.
2. Nonconforming sign: If a structure is vacant for a period of thirty (30) calendar days or longer, any nonconforming sign(s) related to its use shall be removed.

**D. Removal of Illegal Nonconforming Signs**

Any sign that is in violation of these Sign Regulations and is erected after its effective date is hereby classified as an “illegal nonconforming sign”. Such signs may include signs modified or enlarged after initially erected, signs not erected in compliance with the permit or the display of nonconforming signs that do not require a permit. Whenever the Zoning Official determines that an illegal nonconforming sign exists, he shall notify the person displaying such sign by certified or registered mail. Such person shall, within ten (10) calendar days, either remove the sign or initiate such action as is necessary to cause the sign to comply with these Sign Regulations, including applying for any required permit. The running of such ten (10) calendar day period shall be suspended during the time any application for a permit, or any appeal from the notice, or any application for a variation is pending.

**E. Penalty for Display of Nonconforming Signs**

Any person who displays a sign subject to amortization after the end of the applicable period set forth in the amortization schedule, and any person who displays a nonconforming sign after the end of the applicable period following the receipt of a notice of nonconformity, shall be subject to a penalty as established in Section 3.20 of the Zoning Ordinance.

**F. Maintenance; Damage to Nonconforming Signs**

Normal maintenance of signs, including necessary non-structural and non-electrical repairs and incidental alterations which do not extend or intensify the non-conforming features of the sign, is permitted during any amortization period or the period in which permit applications are pending. However, no structural alterations, enlargement or extensions nor any electrical modifications shall be made to a sign unless the alteration will result in eliminating the nonconforming features of the

sign. If a sign is damaged or destroyed by any means to the extent of thirty (30) percent of its replacement value, the sign may not be rebuilt or used thereafter unless it conforms to all of the provisions of these Sign Regulations.

**G. Change of Use or Business Name to Nonconforming Signs**

No nonconforming sign shall be changed to another nonconforming sign except that the copy, message or graphic of a nonconforming sign may be changed by replacing nonstructural components on which the copy, message or graphic is displayed, such as a panel or insert, which panel or insert must comply to all current regulations. No part of a nonconforming sign's supporting structure, electrical, or lighting equipment shall be replaced or modified so as to extend the life of the sign.

# Signs: Appendix A - Munsell Color System

## The Munsell System

The Munsell color-order system is a precise way of specifying colors and showing the relationships among colors. The Munsell color-order system is applicable to all possible colors. Every color has three attributes: hue, value and chroma. The Munsell system establishes numerical scales with visually uniform steps for each of these attributes. The Munsell Book of Color displays a collection of colored chips arranged according to these scales. Each chip is identified numerically using these scales. The color of any surface can be identified by comparing it to the chips, under proper illumination and viewing conditions. The color is then identified by its hue, value and chroma. These attributes are given the symbols H, V, and C and are written in a form “H V/C”, which is called the Munsell notation.

### Hue

Hue is that attribute of a color by which we distinguish red from green, blue from yellow, etc. There is a natural order of hues: red, yellow, green, blue, purple. One can mix paints of adjacent colors and obtain a continuous variation from one color to the other. The series of hues from red to purple returns to its starting point, so it can be arranged in a circle.

Munsell called red, yellow, green, blue and purple “principal hues” and placed them at equal intervals around the “color circle”. He inserted five “intermediate hues”: Yellow-red, green-yellow, blue-green, purple-blue, and red-purple, making ten hues in all. For simplicity, the Munsell Color System uses the initials as symbols to designate the ten hue sectors: R, YR, Y, GY, G, BG, B, PB, P and RP.

The Munsell color system arbitrarily divides the hue circle into 100 steps, of equal visual change in hue, with the zero point at the beginning of the red sector. Hue may be identified by a number from 0 to 100. However, the meaning is more obvious when the hue is identified by the hue sector and a step, based on a scale of ten, within that sector. For example, the hue in the middle of the red sector is called “five red”, and is written “5R”. (The zero step is not used, so there is a 10R hue, but no 0 YR.)

### Value

Value indicates the lightness of a color. The scale of value ranges from 0 for pure black to 10 for pure white. Black, white, and the grays between them are called “neutral colors”. They have no hue. The colors that do have hue are called “chromatic colors”. The value scale applies to both neutral and chromatic colors.

### Chroma

Chroma is the degree of departure of a color from the neutral color of the same value. Colors of low chroma are sometimes called “weak”, while those of high chroma are said to be “highly saturated”, “strong”, or “vivid”. If you started with a gray paint and vivid yellow paint of the same value, and gradually added the yellow to the gray, until the yellow color was obtained, you would develop a series of gradually changing colors that increase in chroma.

The Munsell scaling of chroma is intended to be visually uniform, and is nearly so. The units are arbitrary. The scale starts at zero, for neutral colors, but there is no arbitrary end to the scale. The chroma scale for normal reflecting materials extends beyond 20 in some cases. Fluorescent materials may have chromas as high as 30.

### More Information

A copy of the Munsell Book of Color is available for reference viewing at the Department of Engineering and Building, at the Barrington Village Hall. To obtain more information on the Munsell system, or to order materials, see the web sites “The Munsell System of Color Notation”, “Munsell Color Chart” or “Munsell Specialty Color Charts”.