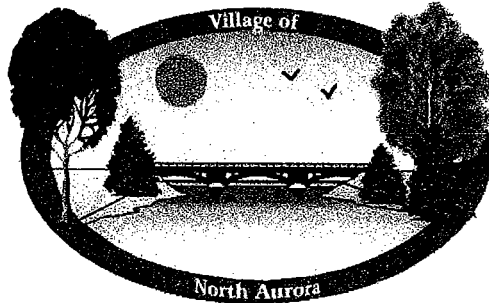


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KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Ordinance No. 11-08-01-03

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15.48 (SIGNS) OF TITLE 15
OF THE NORTH AURORA CODE**

Adopted by the
Board of Trustees and President
of the Village of North Aurora
this 1st day of August, 2011

Published in Pamphlet Form
by authority of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of North Aurora, Kane County, Illinois,
this 1st day of August, 2011
by _____.

Signed Eric P. Murray

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of North Aurora, Kane County, Illinois, as follows:

1. The recitals set forth above are adopted and incorporated herein as the material and significant findings of the President and the Board of Trustees as if fully stated herein.
2. Title 15, Chapter 15.48 (Signs), Section 15.48.080 (Temporary Signs) is hereby amended to replace subsections 1 and 2 with subsections A, B and C as follows:

15.48.080 Temporary signs

Except as allowed in Subsection C below, temporary signs shall be limited according to the construction, material and other size criteria summarized in Table 1, and all temporary signs shall:

A. Identify the date the sign was installed in the front right hand corner of the sign with lettering a minimum of one inch (1") in height; and

B. Be securely anchored and meet the legibility, safety and maintenance criteria described in Section 15.48.200 of this Chapter.

C. Notwithstanding the forgoing to the contrary, a new business or other enterprise or activity in operation on the premises may, within the first three (3) months of opening for business, use temporary signs without restriction, including but not necessarily limited to, banners, flags, balloons and streamers and other means to advertise the opening of the operation, for a period not to exceed thirty (30) consecutive days, subject to the approval of the Community Development Director and limitations imposed for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare. No permit fee shall be required for such temporary advertising, and all signs that would otherwise be non-conforming must be removed promptly when the thirty (30) period ends.

3. Title 15, Chapter 15.48 (Signs), Section 15.48.080 (Temporary Signs), Table – Temporary Signs, Maximum Duration is hereby amended as to Class 4 signs to increase the maximum number of display periods per year from four (4) to six (6).

4. Title 15, Chapter 15.48 (Signs), Section 15.48.100 (Signs in business zoning districts) is hereby amended by replacing Subsection B.1, B.3 and B.9 as follows:

15.48.100 Signs in business zoning districts

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B. Freestanding signs as follows:

1. Number. There shall be a limit of one (1) freestanding sign per lot, shopping center, shopping center outlot or unified business center, which sign shall be erected for the purpose of identifying the establishment, except that corner lots may have one (1) freestanding sign for each street frontage, with a limit of two (2) signs per lot, shopping center, shopping center outlot or unified business center.

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3. Surface Area. The total surface area of a ground sign shall not exceed a ratio of one (1) square foot of sign area for every one (1) lineal foot of lot frontage.

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9. Tenant Identification Panels. Provision for identifying tenants within a shopping center or unified business center as part of the permitted square footage of the sign identifying the shopping center or unified business center as a whole shall be permitted, provided that there shall be a limit of six (6) panels or divisions of a sign for such purposes.

5. This Ordinance shall take immediate full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, publication and such other acts as required by law.

Presented to the Board of Trustees of the Village of North Aurora, Kane County, Illinois this 15th day of August, 2011, A.D.

Passed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of North Aurora, Kane County, Illinois this 15th day of August, 2011, A.D.

Laura Curtis yes

Chris Faber yes

Mark Gaffino yes

Mark Guethle absent

Ryan Lambert yes

Vincent Mancini yes

Approved and signed by me as President of the Board of Trustees of the Village of North Aurora, Kane County, Illinois this 15th day of August, 2011, A.D.

Dale Berman
Dale Berman, Village President

ATTEST:
Lori Murray
Lori Murray, Village Clerk

15.48.080 - Temporary signs.

Temporary signs are classified based on a number of criteria including construction material, size and duration of display. Table 1 summarizes regulation for temporary signs. All temporary signs shall:

1. Identify the date the sign was installed in the front, lower right corner with lettering a minimum of one inch in height.
2. Be securely anchored and meet other legibility, safety and maintenance criteria listed in Section 15.48.200 of this chapter.
3. Notwithstanding any of the sign requirements below, a new business in the first 30 calendar days of operation may have grand opening signs, banners, flags and streamers at the discretion of the Community Development Director. No permits shall be required for these displays and they shall be promptly removed after the 30 days period has lapsed.

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Table 1 - Temporary Signs

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Class 7	Class 8
Material	Paper, cardboard, corrugated plastic or similar material	Wood, plastic or metal	Wood, corrugated plastic	Metal and plastic	Wood or metal	Plastic, vinyl, fabric	Wood, metal, plastic	Plastic, cloth, canvas, paper (inflatable)
Maximum Size	4 square feet	6 square feet	32 square feet	32 square feet	64 square feet	48 square feet	8 square feet	100 square feet
Maximum Duration	30 days, with 30 days between display periods and a maximum of 4 display periods per year	180 days	30 days, with 30 days between display periods and a maximum of 2 display periods per year(*)	30 days, with 30 days between display periods and a maximum of 4 display periods per year	180 days, may be renewed for a total display of 360 days	10 days, with 30 days between display periods and a maximum of 4 display periods per year	Dawn to dusk	30 days, with 30 days between display periods and a maximum of 4 display periods per year
Removal Policy	Sign must be removed within 5 days of the conclusion of the event	Sign must be removed within 5 days of the conclusion of the event	Sign must be removed within 5 days of the conclusion of the event	As specified on permit	As specified on permit	Sign must be removed within 5 days of the conclusion of the event	Must be removed nightly - may be displayed from dawn to dusk	Sign must be removed at end of permit duration
Zoning Districts	Any	Any	Any business, industrial, or office district or a special use in any district(*)	Any business, industrial, or office district or a special use in any district	Any business, industrial, or office district or a special use in any district	Any business, industrial, or office district or a special use in any district	Any business, industrial, or office district	Any business, industrial, or office district or a special use in any district
Illumination	None	None	None	Permitted - Internal, nonflashing only	None	None	None	None
Permit	None	None	None(*)	Required	Required	None	Required	Required
Location/Quantity	If attached to or visible through a window, sign must not occupy more than 40% of the window	Must be located on subject property 1 per road frontage	1 per road frontage (*)	Must be located on subject property 1 per road frontage	Must be located on subject property 1 per road frontage	Maximum 1 per zoning lot	Must be located on subject property 1 per road frontage	Maximum 1 per zoning lot, cannot be located on rooftops

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Examples	Yard/garage sale Political Window	Residential Real Estate Contractor	Community event Political	Portable signs	Property leasing and marketing	Grand Opening or seasonal sale Church event Search Lights	Sandwich Board	Inflatable balloons

Temporary residential marketing signs, off-site shall be allowed at not more than two off-site locations within the Village of North Aurora to call attention and give directions to a residential subdivision of more than twenty (20) lots. Each sign shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area and shall not have a total height of more than ten feet. Such signs may be located in any zoning district, provided that there is one-quarter mile separation from each other, and that no such sign shall be closer to an existing residence than one hundred (100) feet. Location and construction shall be approved by the enforcement officer. Such signs shall be considered temporary and have a temporary sign permit as outlined in Section 24-Administration. No signs shall be located on village property or within a public right-of-way. Private property locations require written permission from property owners. Temporary permits will be issued for one year. The enforcement officer may grant a one-year extension based on need, additional extensions must be approved by the village board.

Multiple identical Class 1 temporary signs are prohibited on the same lot and road frontage.

(Ord. 05-08-22-01 § 9)

(Ord. No. 09-06-22-05 § 1, 6-22-2009)

15.48.100 - Signs in business zoning districts

A.

All signs permitted in Sections 15.48.070 and 15.48.080 of this chapter.

B.

Freestanding signs as follows:

1.

Number: There shall be a limit of one freestanding sign per lot, shopping center, shopping center outlet or unified business center, which shall be erected for the purpose of identifying the establishment, except corner lots may have one (1) freestanding sign for each lot frontage, with a limit of two (2) total signs per lot.

2.

Height: No ground sign shall exceed ten (10) feet in height. No ground sign that is located across the street from a residential zoned lot shall exceed eight feet in height.

Freestanding Signs

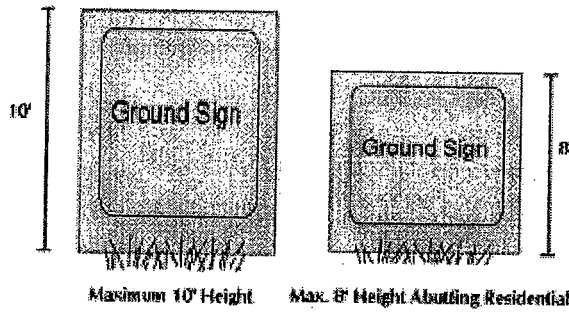


Figure 16 – Freestanding Signs

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Surface Area: The total surface area of a ground sign shall not exceed one (1) square foot times the total lineal frontage of the lot. No ground sign shall exceed a maximum surface area of one-hundred (100) square feet including any changeable copy sign components.

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Setback: No freestanding sign shall be located closer than five feet to any property line.

5.

Landscaping: A landscaped area shall be provided around the base of the sign which shall be equal to two and a half square feet for each square foot of sign area. The landscaped area shall contain living landscape material consisting of shrubs, perennial ground cover plants or a combination of both, placed throughout the landscaped area. Plantings should be selected and placed such that views to the sign are not blocked.

6.

Scale and Proportion: A freestanding sign shall be compatible with the building or buildings it identifies, and the sign may not be of such a size that it visually overpowers the building on the site.

7.

Overhang: No freestanding sign may overhang any part of a structure, parking or loading space, driveway or maneuvering aisle.

8.

Illumination: Ground signs may be internally or externally illuminated in accordance with Section 15.48.170 of this chapter.

9.

Tenant Identification Panels: Provision for identifying tenants within a shopping center or unified business center as part of the permitted square footage of the sign identifying the shopping center or unified business center as a whole shall be permitted, provided that there shall be a limit of six (6) panels or divisions of a sign for such purposes.

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Menu Board Signs: In addition to the one permitted freestanding sign, two freestanding single-faced menu board signs shall be permitted per lot or outlet for restaurants with drive-through facilities, provided that such signs do not exceed twenty-four (24) square feet in surface area or eight feet in height. Such sign may only be internally illuminated. Menu board signs shall be permitted only in business zoning districts.