

ORDINANCE No. 113.208 - ZONING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE KERSHAW COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE ARTICLE 5 SIGN REGULATIONS TABLE 6 AND TABLE 7 TO PERMIT MESSAGE BOARD SIGNS IN INSTITUTIONAL USES AND TO ADD A DEFINITION OF MESSAGE BOARD IN THE ZONING ORDINANCE DEFINITION SECTION

WHEREAS: Kershaw County Council has adopted a Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of promoting public health, safety, morals, convenience, order, appearance, prosperity, and general welfare; lessening congestion in the streets; securing safety from fire; providing adequate light, air, and open space; preventing the overcrowding of land; avoiding undue concentration of population; facilitating the creation of a convenient, attractive, and harmonious community; protecting and preserving scenic, historic, and ecologically sensitive areas; facilitating the provision of public services, affordable housing, and disaster evacuation, in harmony with the Comprehensive Plan for Kershaw County;

WHEREAS: It is the duty of the Kershaw County Planning Commission to implement the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance;

WHEREAS: The Planning Commission has requested consideration by County Council recommended amendments to the Zoning Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE KERSHAW COUNTY COUNCIL

SECTION 1 Amend Article 5 Table 6 to include Message Board signs as a sign allowed with a permit for Institutional uses in all zoning districts.

SECTION 2 Amend Article 5 Table 7 to stipulate that the maximum sign surface area for a message board sign shall be 32 square feet, and to allow the combination of the principal identification sign and the message board sign into one sign with a maximum sign surface area of 50 square feet.

SECTION 3 Amend the DEFINITION section of the Zoning Ordinance to include the definition of a message board to read as follows:

Sign, Message Board A sign permitted only in institutional uses that is intended to provide schedules of events, rules, regulations, announcements, or similar messages excluding commercial advertisement or promotional messages. Institutional uses include educational, religious, recreational, civic, municipal, and other institutional uses including historic markers that are allowable in any zoning district under the zoning district regulations.

**Table 6
Regulation of Signs by Type, Characteristics and Zoning Districts**

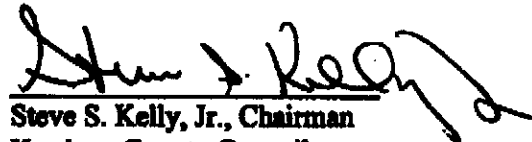
Signs Type	R-15, R-10, R-6	OI, B-3	INS (3)	B-2	GD, IND	RD-1, RD-2, MRD-1
PERMANENT						
Free standing						
Principal	NA (1)	P	P	P	P	P
Incidental	A	A	A	A	A	A
Message Board	N	N	A	N	N	N
Building						
Canopy	N	P	N	P	P	P
Identification	A	A	A	A	A	A
Incidental	A	A	A	A	A	A
Marquee	N	N	N	P	P	P
Awning	N	N	N	P	P	P
Projecting	N	N	N	P	P	P
Roof	N	N	N	N	N	N
Roof, Integral	N	N	N	N	N	P
Wall	N	P	P	P	P	P
Window	N	A	N	A	A	A
TEMPORARY (2)						
Banners	N	N	A	P	P	A
Posters	A	A	A	A	A	A
Portable	N	N	N	P	P	P
Inflatable	N	N	N	P	P	P
Pennants	N	N	N	N	N	P
SIGN CHARACTERISTICS						
Animated	N	N	N	P	P	P
Changeable Copy	N	N	A	A	A	A
Illumination Indirect	A	A	A	A	A	A
Illumination Internal	N	A	A	A	A	A
Illumination, Exposed Bulbs	N	N	N	N	N	N
<p>(1) Signs identifying or announcing land subdivisions or residential projects shall be allowed by permit only, in accord with the requirements of Table VII and Section 5-4.</p> <p>(2) See Section 5-6.</p> <p>(3) This column does not represent a zoning district. It applies to institutional uses permitted in any zoning district that include educational, religious, recreational, civic, municipal, and other institutional uses and includes historic markers.</p> <p>A = Allowed without permit P = Allowed with a permit N = Not allowed</p>						

Table 7 Number, Dimension and Location of Permitted Signs, by Zoning District						
	R-15, R-10, R-6 (a)	OI	INS (b)	B-2	B-3, RD-1, RD-2, MRD-1	GD, I-1
FREE STANDING SIGNS						
Number Permitted						
Per Lot (d)	NA	1	2 (b)	1	1	NA
Per feet of St. Frontage (e)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1:500
Maximum Sign Area (sq. ft.)	NA	20	20 (b)	40	20	1 s.f. per 3 ft. street (c) frontage
Minimum Setback from Property Line	NA	10'	10'	5'	10'	10'
Maximum Height	NA	12'	12'	20	12'	35'
BUILDING SIGNS						
Number Permitted	1	1	1	NA	NA	NA
Maximum Sign Area (sq. Ft.)	2	10	10	NA	NA	NA
Maximum Wall Area (5)	NA	NA	NA	15%	NA	25%
TEMPORARY SIGNS	See Section 5-6					
<p>(a) Subdivision identification and residential project signs, not to exceed 20 square feet in area are permitted in these districts, provided they meet the requirements for a Common Signage Plan, in accord with Section 5-4.</p> <p>(b) This column does not represent a zoning district. It applies to institutional uses permitted in any zoning district that include educational, religious, recreational, civic, municipal, and other institutional uses and includes historic markers. Maximum sign area (in square feet) for message boards is 32'. Maximum sign surface area for free standing identification sign is 20'. Free standing identification signs and free standing message board signs may be combined into a single free standing sign of a maximum sign surface area of 50 square feet.</p> <p>(c) Not to exceed 300 square feet.</p> <p>(d) Free standing signs shall be permitted only where yard depth is at least 40 feet, and lot width (frontage) is at least 100 feet.</p> <p>(e) Lots fronting on two or more streets are allowed the permitted signage for each frontage, but signage cannot be accumulated and used on one street in excess of that allowed for lots with only one street frontage.</p>						

DONE, RATIFIED, AND ADOPTED IN REGULAR MEETING OF KERSHAW
COUNTY COUNCIL THIS 25th DAY OF March, 2008
KERSHAW COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:


Earlene Y. Jones
Clerk to Council


Steve S. Kelly, Jr., Chairman
Kershaw County Council

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