

INTRODUCED BY: Trustees Brockmann, Slama, Dresner, Graves and Whitmore

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 410 "SIGN REGULATIONS"

Be It Ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Twin Oaks, St. Louis County, Missouri, as follows:

Section 1. TITLE IV, CHAPTER 410 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Twin Oaks is hereby amended as follows:

I. SECTION 410.010, "Intent and Purpose" is hereby amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the section: "The Building Commissioner shall be charged with the responsibility for enforcing this Article, to include the promulgation of regulations necessary for its implementation".

II. SECTION 410.020, "Definitions, is hereby amended as follows:

COLOR: Includes all hues excluding black and white.

COMMON AREA: That portion of a lot or building not occupied by a single occupant but shared with adjacent occupants.

FLAG: Renamed Sign, Flag. Definition the same.

HEIGHT: Unless otherwise specified in this Chapter, the vertical distance above the ground level of the finished grade measured immediately below the sign and measured to the highest point of the sign.

SIGN, FLAG: Any fabric, bunting, banner, streamer or pennant containing distinctive colors, patterns, symbols or message, which is made of flexible materials and designed to move with the wind.

SIGN, FLUTTERING: A sign which flutters or is made of flexible materials which move with the wind or by some other artificial means, including, but not limited to, pennants, banners, balloons, whirligigs, streamers and flags other than those of a governmental entity or unit.

SIGN, GROUND: A sign mounted on a support on or in the ground.

SIGN, IDENTIFICATION: A sign which has a purpose of identifying the site of any subdivision, institution, religious or governmental building.

SIGN, MESSAGE: Any inflatable Balloon with a message attached.

SIGN, PERSONAL: Changed to Sign, Informational. Keeping same definition.

SIGN, SPECIAL DISPLAY: A sign identifying a special event

SIGN, YARD (COMMERCIAL): Any temporary sign that is located on property in the "C" Planned Shopping Center District.

SIGN, YARD: Deleted.

SIGN, YARD, (RESIDENTIAL): Any temporary sign that is located in a front yard of a lot located in an "A" Single-Family Residence District or a "B" Single-Family Attached Residence District.

III. SECTION 410.030: SIGNS PERMITTED IN "A" AND "B" RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS. The sign grid following the introductory paragraph is hereby repealed and a new sign grid is adopted per Exhibit "A" attached.

IV. SECTION 410.050: SIGNS PERMITTED IN "C" PLANNED SHOPPING CENTER ZONING DISTRICTS. The sign grid following the introductory paragraph is hereby repealed and a new sign grid is adopted per Exhibit "B" attached.

V. SECTION 410.100 is hereby repealed and a new SECTION 410.100 is adopted to read as follows:

Any sign existing on the effective date of this Chapter or the effective date of any amendment hereto shall be exempt from the provisions of this Chapter, according to the following:

1. Existing permanent signs in residential districts shall not be affected by these regulations except that should said signs be removed, replaced or substantially altered they shall be brought into conformity with this Chapter.
2. Permanent signs in commercial districts.
 - a. Any permanent sign in commercial districts for which legal permits have been issued which are larger than allowed, or which do not conform to color requirements, or are of a type not allowed or improperly located as required by these regulations, shall be brought into compliance no later than December 31, 2012.
 - b. The provisions of Subparagraph (a) above notwithstanding, pole signs possessing permits but no longer authorized by these regulations shall be allowed to remain in place until a change in the ownership or business holding the permits or until they are damaged or altered by more than forty percent (40%), whichever shall first occur.
3. Any permanent sign in planned shopping center districts or commercial districts which do not conform to the color requirements shall be allowed to remain until such time as they are removed, replaced, damaged or altered by more than forty percent (40%) but in no case no later than December 31, 2012.

4. Any permanent window signs in planned shopping center districts or commercial districts for which permits were not issued must be brought into compliance no later than December 31, 2012.

5. Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof to the contrary, any condominium complex in excess of seventy-five (75) units and any church with a square footage in the main sanctuary of twenty-three thousand (23,000) square feet or more shall be allowed to erect a sign which exceeds these provisions by one hundred percent (100%).

VI. SECTION 410.120 is hereby repealed and a new SECTION 410.120 is adopted to read as follows:

Permits Required. Unless otherwise provided in these regulations, it shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, corporation, agent or employee thereof to erect, repair, paint, replace, alter, relocate or otherwise change, other than normal maintenance, within the Village of Twin Oaks any sign as defined in this Chapter without first obtaining approval and a permit from the Village of Twin Oaks and making payment of the fee as set forth by the Board of Trustees from time to time. Before any permit is granted for the erection of a sign, outdoor display or structure, four (4) sets of final plans and specifications shall be filed with the Village of Twin Oaks showing the location of the proposed sign and the dimensions, materials and required details of construction, including calculated dimensions approved by an engineer registered in the State of Missouri if required by the Zoning Enforcement Officer in the interest of public safety. If the work authorized under a permit is not completed within six (6) months after such permit was authorized, it shall become null and void.

Section 2: In all other respects, the provisions contained in Chapter 410 are hereby ratified, confirmed and re-published.

Section 3: This ordinance shall be printed in the Municipal Code of Twin Oaks.

Section 4: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 18 day of May, 2011.



Chairman

ATTEST:



Village Administrator/Clerk

FIRST READING 5-18-11
SECOND READING 5-18-11

EXHIBIT "A"

410.030

Signs Permitted in "A" and "B" Residential Zoning Districts

Type		Regulations
A. Permanent	Directional	<p>Information: Entrance, Exit, One Way, Loading, Handicapped, etc. Maximum Size: Six (6) square feet. Maximum Height: Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet for ground mount, six (6) feet for wall mount.</p> <p>Maximum Number: Two (2) per entrance. Location: Ground or wall mount. Colors: Not more than three (3). Special: A. Can be used only for churches, schools, government buildings, cemeteries, and institutions. B. Logos allowed only if no more than twenty five percent (25%) of total sign area. Projection: Six (6) inches from face of building. Permit Required: Yes.</p>
	Flag	<p>Information: Governmental and Institutional. Maximum Size: Five (5) feet by eight (8) feet. Maximum Height: Twenty five (25) feet. Maximum Number: Two (2) flags per pole. Location: At least twelve (12) feet from curb line. Colors: No limit. Special: Three (3) per lot. Projection: None. Permit Required: No.</p>
	Flag	<p>Information: All other locations. Maximum Size: Three (3) feet by five (5) feet. Maximum Height: Twenty (20) feet. Maximum Number: One (1) flag per pole. Location: At least twelve (12) feet from curb line. Colors: No limit. Special: One (1) per lot. Projection: None. Permit Required: No.</p>
	Identification	<p>Information: Name of subdivision, church, government, school, institution, etc. Maximum Size: Twenty four (24) square feet. Maximum Height: Six (6) feet for ground mount including support base and minimum two (2) feet below gutter line. Maximum Number: One (1) per lot frontage. Location: Ground mount not less than twelve (12) feet from curb line. Colors: Not more than three (3). Special: Not more than two (2) feet of supporting structure shall be visible. Projection: Not more than twelve (12) inches from face of building. Permit Required: Yes.</p>

Informational	Information:	No Trespassing, Private, Keep Out, Beware of Dog, Loading, Handicapped, etc.
	Maximum Size:	Three (3) square feet.
	Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet for ground mount; six (6) feet for wall mount.
	Maximum Number:	Six (6) per lot.
	Location:	Ground or wall mount.
	Colors:	Not more than three (3).
	Special:	See Section 205.220
	Projection:	Six (6) inches from face of building.
	Permit Required:	No.

B. Temporary Construction

Information:	Contractor, architect, engineer, or financier's name, address and phone.
Maximum Size:	Six (6) square feet.
Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet.
Maximum Number:	One (1) per street frontage.
Location:	Not less than ten (10) feet away from curb line.
Colors:	Not more than three (3).
Special:	Project duration.
Projection:	None.
Permit Required:	No.

Political

Information:	Candidate or issue to support or oppose.
Maximum Size:	Six (6) square feet.
Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet.
Maximum Number:	No more than two (2) signs per issue or candidate.
Location:	Ground mount on private property.
Colors:	Not more than three (3).
Special:	Signs supporting candidates to be removed promptly following election.
Projection:	None.
Permit Required:	No.

Real Estate

Information:	For Sale, Rent, Lease.
Maximum Size:	Six (6) square feet for single lot, twenty four (24) square feet for subdivisions.
Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet for a single lot, seven (7) feet for subdivisions.
Maximum Number:	One (1) per street frontage.
Location:	Not less than ten (10) feet from curb line.
Colors:	Not more than three (3).
Special:	Until sold, rented or leased.
Projection:	None.
Permit Required:	No.

Special Display

Information:	Special event for church, school, government, institution, or not-for-profit agency, etc.
Maximum Size:	Six (6) square feet.
Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet.
Maximum Number:	Two (2)
Location:	Ground mount not less than ten (10) feet away from curb line.
Colors:	Not more than three (3).
Special:	A. Maximum display time fifteen (15) days. B. No more than 1 display every ninety (90) days.
Projection:	None.
Permit Required:	No.

Yard

Information:	Garage sale, estate sale, etc.
Maximum Size:	Six (6) square feet.
Maximum Height:	Three and one-half (3 1/2) feet.
Maximum Number:	One (1) per street frontage.
Location:	Ground mount not less than ten (10) feet away from curb line.
Colors:	Not more than three (3).
Special:	Removed upon completion of the event.
Projection:	None.
Permit Required:	No.

EXHIBIT "B"

410.050

Signs Permitted in "C" Planned Shopping Center Zoning Districts

Type		Regulations
1. Permanent		
Directional Sign (ground mounted)	Information: Maximum Size: Maximum Height: Maximum Number: Location: Colors: Special:	None. Not more than six (6) square feet. Not more than three and one-half (3 1/2) feet above finish grade. Not more than one (1) per entrance or exit lane. Each sign shall be located at least three (3) feet inside the lot line. Not more than three (3). Drive-through operations may additionally have one twelve (12) square feet menu/instruction board per drive through lane, if approved on a development plan or limited development plan.
	Projection: Permit Required	None. Yes.
Directional Sign (wall-mounted)	Information: Maximum Size: Maximum Height: Maximum Number: Location: Colors: Special:	None. Not more than six (6) square feet. Not more than ten (10) feet above finish grade. Not more than one (1) per building side. None. Not more than three (3). Drive-through operations may additionally have one twelve (12) square feet menu/instruction board per drive through lane, if approved on a development plan or limited development plan.
	Projection: Permit Required	Six (6) inches. Yes.
Ground Sign	Information: Maximum Size: Maximum Height: Maximum Number: Location: Colors: Special:	None. Not to exceed fifty (50) square feet. Sign shall not exceed five (5) feet in height. Not more than one (1) per lot. Sign shall be located at least three (3) feet inside the lot line. Not more than three (3); white letters on black background or black letters on white background when illuminated.
	Special:	A. Of this five (5) feet in height, no more than two (2) feet of sign support shall be visible. B. Areas within three (3) feet of sign support or foundation shall be planted and landscaped.
	Projection: Permit Required:	Not more than two (2) feet of the sign support shall be visible above finished grade. Yes.

Wall Sign	Information:	None.
	Maximum Size:	Five percent (5%) of the area of the wall to which attached, but in no instance greater than one hundred fifty (150) square feet each.
	Maximum Height:	Bottom of sign shall be at least eight (8) feet above the finish grade if travel underneath the sign is intended. The top of the sign shall be no greater than thirty-five (35) feet above the finish grade.
	Maximum Number:	Not more than one (1) per main entrance of a principal building or premises.
	Location:	Sign shall face a street or be located above main entrance.
	Colors:	Not more than three (3); white letters on black background or black letters on white background when illuminated.
	Special:	None.
Projection:	Sign shall not exceed or project more than two (2) feet above the roof line nor more than eighteen (18) inches from the wall to which mounted or affixed.	
Permit Required	Yes.	

Window Sign	Information:	None.
	Maximum Size:	Not more than four (4) square feet.
	Maximum Height:	Not more than ten (10) feet above finish grade.
	Maximum Number:	Not more than one (1) per window, three (3) per premises.
	Location:	Each sign shall face a street or be located above a main entrance.
	Colors:	Not more than three (3).
	Special:	No electric signs shall be affixed to a door.
Projection:	None.	
Permit Required	Yes.	

2. Temporary Signs

Banners	Information:	None.
	Maximum Size:	Thirty (30) square feet.
	Maximum Height:	None.
	Maximum Number:	One (1).
	Location:	On business premises.
	Colors:	Not more than three (3).
	Special:	Limited to one (1) per thirty (30) consecutive day period per calendar quarter. Mounted within the perimeter of the vertical wall of the business.
	Projection:	None.
	Permit Required	Yes.

Flag	Information:	None.
	Maximum Size:	Four (4) feet by six (6) feet.
	Maximum Height:	Not more than thirty-five (35) feet.
	Maximum Number:	Three (3) temporary poles and three (3) flags per premises.
	Location:	On business premises.
	Colors:	No restrictions.
	Special:	None.
	Projection:	Not more than six (6) feet.
Permit Required	Yes.	

Message Balloon
Information: None.
Maximum Size: Twenty-three (23) feet in diameter at the widest point; seven (7) feet in diameter at the base.
Maximum Height: Ten (10) feet minimum; fifty (50) feet maximum above finish grade.
Maximum Number: Not more than one (1) per lot at any time.
Location: On premises (may be attached to premises roof); sign shall not be located in any right-of-way or parking areas.
Colors: Not more than three (3).
Special: Displayed for not more than fifteen (15) days.
Projection: None.
Permit Required: Yes.

Window Sign
Information: None.
Maximum Size: Not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of window area.
Maximum Height: Not more than ten (10) feet above finish grade.
Maximum Number: Not more than one (1) per window.
Location: Each sign shall face a street or be located at a main entrance.
Colors: Not more than three (3).
Special: May be illuminated, if limited to single floodlight; no internal illumination. Limited to one (1) per thirty (30) consecutive day period per calendar quarter.
Projection: None.
Permit Required: Yes.

Yard Sign
Information: None.
Maximum Size: Twenty-four (24) square feet.
Maximum Height: Not more than seven (7) feet above finish grade.
Maximum Number: Not more than two (2) per lot.
Location: Minimum ten (10) feet behind a curb line.
Colors: Not more than three (3).
Special: Limited to (1) per thirty (30) consecutive day period per calendar quarter.
Projection: None.
Permit Required: Yes.