

**ORDINANCE NO. 6412**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING  
TITLE 15, CHAPTER 153 OF THE LOMBARD VILLAGE  
CODE IN REGARD TO SIGNS**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LOMBARD, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.215 of the Lombard Village Code is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**“§153.215 DEVELOPMENT SIGN**

It is unlawful to construct, erect, locate or maintain any Development Sign except in compliance with the following provisions:

(A) Multiple-Family Dwellings; on lots less than 1 acre in area, Attached Dwellings, Two-Family Dwellings, Detached Dwellings:

- (1) Area: Signs on individual lots shall be no more than twelve (12) square feet in area.
- (2) No more than one (1) sign per street exposure.
- (3) Duration: Sign(s) shall be removed within ten (10) days upon completion of construction on the premises.
- (4) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code).

(B) All others

- (1) An annual permit must be obtained prior to the installation of any Development Sign(s). Sign(s) shall be maintained in accordance with Section 153.208 A of this Code.
- (2) No more than one (1) sign per street exposure.
- (3) Area: Sign(s) shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area.
- (4) Duration: Sign(s) shall be removed prior to the issuance of the final Certificate of Occupancy/Zoning Certificate.
- (5) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public

thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code).”

SECTION 2: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.227 of the Lombard Village Code is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**“§153.227 POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS**

It is unlawful to construct, erect, or maintain any Political Campaign Signs without complying with the following provisions:

(A) Multiple-Family Dwellings; on lots less than 1 acre in area, Attached Dwellings, Two-Family Dwellings, Detached Dwellings:

(1) Area: Sign(s) shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area.

(2) Number: Any number of signs are permitted.

(3) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

(4) Duration: Sign(s) shall remain on the location where they are erected or placed for a period of not more than sixty (60) days before an event, and shall be removed within ten (10) days after the event to which they relate has ended.

(B) All others

(1) Area: Sign(s) shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area.

(2) Number: Any number of signs twelve (12) square feet or less in area shall be permitted. No more than one (1) sign per street exposure shall be permitted for Sign(s) greater than twelve (12) square feet in area.

(3) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code).

(4) Duration: Sign(s) shall remain on the location where they are erected or placed for a period of not more than sixty (60) days before an event, and shall be removed within ten (10) days after the event to which they relate has ended.”

SECTION 3: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.229 of the Lombard Village Code is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**“§153.229 REAL ESTATE SIGNS**

It is unlawful to construct, erect, or maintain any Real Estate Signs without complying with the following provisions:

(A) Multiple-Family Dwellings; on lots less than 1 acre in area, Attached Dwellings, Two-Family Dwellings, Detached Dwellings:

- (1) No more than one (1) sign per street exposure.
- (2) Area: Sign(s) shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area
- (3) Duration: Sign(s) shall be removed within ten (10) days of the closing, sale or rental of the property.
- (4) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code).

(B) All others

- (1) An annual permit must be obtained prior to the installation of any Real Estate Sign(s). Sign(s) shall be maintained in accordance with Section 153.208 A of this Code.
- (2) No more than one (1) sign per street exposure.
- (3) Area: Sign(s) shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area.
- (4) Duration: Sign(s) shall be removed within ten (10) days of the closing, sale or rental of the property.
- (5) For signs which advertise the lease or rental of available floor area within a non-residential building, a permit shall be issued upon determination by the Director that twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the leasable floor area is vacant or that one hundred percent (100%) of the leasable floor area will be vacant within 90 days. The applicant shall provide all documentation deemed necessary by the Director to determine the actual vacancy rate.
- (6) Location: Sign(s) shall be on private property with the property owner's consent. No sign(s) shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code).”

SECTION 4: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.237 of the Lombard Village Code is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**“§153.237 TEMPORARY SIGNS**

The provisions of this Section shall regulate all Temporary Signs, with the exception of Temporary Signs which are specifically described and regulated in other sections of this Code. (See Sections 153.205 and 153.206 of this Code, entitled, "Signs Not Subject to Permit Fee" and "Signs Not Subject to Permit"). It is unlawful to construct, erect, or maintain any Temporary Signs without complying with the following provisions:

**(A) Location:**

(1) Non-Residential Districts: Temporary Signs shall only be affixed to the following permanent structures: façade of a principal structure, wall of an accessory structure, fence, permanent freestanding sign, or shopping center identification sign. Temporary Signs shall only be affixed to a single structure at all corners of the sign and shall not be erected in a manner in which the sign is suspended and/or extending the distance between two (2) separate structures.

(2) Residential Districts: In addition to the regulations outlined in Section 153.235(C)(1) above, Temporary Signs shall also be permitted to be affixed to the ground provided that the sign is securely erected.

(3) All Districts: No Temporary Signs shall be located in or on the public right of way, sidewalk or other public thoroughfare. No signs shall be located in the clear line of sight area, as defined in the Lombard Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 155 of this Code). Inflatable Signs may be erected on top of structures or on the ground. Inflatable Signs erected on the ground shall not be tethered or otherwise suspended above the ground, but shall be fastened directly to the ground without any vertical clearance between the Inflatable Sign and the ground.

**(B) Construction:** Temporary Signs must be maintained in a structurally safe and presentable manner.

**(C) Duration:** Temporary Signs shall be allowed for the specified periods set forth below:

(1) Inflatable Signs: No inflatable sign shall be permitted on the same parcel for a period of more than seven (7) consecutive days in any year, or for more than a total of fourteen (14) days in any year.

(2) Pennants: No pennants shall be permitted on the same parcel for a period of more than fourteen (14) consecutive days in any year, or for more than a total of fifty-six (56) days in any year.

(3) Banners: Up to eight (8) temporary permits may be issued for any one business in any calendar year, provided that the total of all permits issued does not exceed one hundred twenty (120) days in any calendar year.

(4) Window Signs: There shall be no time restriction placed on any window sign that is maintained in a safe and presentable manner.

(D) Permitted Temporary Signs By Sign Type And Property Type: Temporary Signs shall be allowed in the Village in accordance with the following table:

**PERMITTED TEMPORARY SIGNS BY SIGN TYPE AND PROPERTY TYPE**

<b>Sign Type</b>	<b>Multiple-Family Dwellings; on lots less than 1 acre in area, Attached Dwellings, Two-Family Dwellings, Detached Dwellings:</b>	<b>All Other Areas</b>
Pennants	P <sup>ii</sup>	P <sup>ii</sup>
Banners	N	P
Inflatable	N	P <sup>ii</sup>
Window	Y <sup>i</sup>	Y

Y =Allowed without sign permit.  
 P = Allowed only with sign permit.  
 N =Not allowed.

(i) = No commercial message allowed on sign, except for a commercial message drawing attention to an activity currently and legally offered on the premises.

(ii) = No text, graphic, logo or symbol shall be displayed on any surface.

(E) Permitted Number And Size Of Temporary Signs By Sign Type: The number and size of Temporary Signs shall be allowed in accordance with the following table:

PERMITTED NUMBER AND SIZE OF TEMPORARY SIGNS BY TYPE

Sign Type	Number Allowed	Maximum Sign Area	Height
Pennants	n/a	n/a	n/a
Banners	One (1) per street exposure	Thirty-two (32) sq. ft.	n/a
Inflatable	One (1) per business	n/a	Twenty-five (25) ft.
Window	n/a	Total area of all signs shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of total window area.	n/a

n/a =Not applicable.”

SECTION 5: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.602 of the Lombard Village Code is hereby amended by revising the definitions of “Attention Getting Device” and “Balloon” to read in their entirety, as follows:

**“ATTENTION GETTING DEVICE** Any flag, festoon, valance, propeller, pole covers, spinner, streamer, searchlights, balloons and any similar device or ornamentation designated for the purposes of attracting attention, promoting or advertising, without conveying a specific message or copy.

**SIGN, BALLOON** A type of inflatable sign which retains its shape from inflating with air, helium, or other gaseous elements and is two (2) feet or less measured in any dimension.”

SECTION 6: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 153.602, of the Lombard Village Code is amended by adding the following definitions thereto:

**“DWELLING, ATTACHED** (e.g. Townhouse) is one which is joined to another dwelling at one or more sides by party walls.

**DWELLING, DETACHED** (e.g. Single-Family Residence) is one which is entirely surrounded by open space on the same lot.

**DWELLING, MULTIPLE-FAMILY** (e.g. Apartment or Condominium) is a building, or portion thereof, containing three (3) or more dwelling units.

**DWELLING, TWO-FAMILY** is a building containing two (2) dwelling units, attached either vertically or horizontally.

**DWELLING UNIT** shall mean any room or group of rooms located within a dwelling and forming a single habitable unit with facilities that are used, or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking, and eating.

**PENNANTS** A long, tapering, usually triangular flag, used as an attention-getting device.

**SIGN, BANNER** A temporary sign constructed of cloth, canvas, light fabric or other light materials, without a frame and is attached by means of wire, steel cables or similar safe fastening.

**SIGN, INFLATABLE** A type of temporary sign which is two (2) feet or more when measured in any dimension and retains its shape from inflating with air, helium, or other gaseous elements. Such balloons may be of various shapes, sizes, and characters.”

SECTION 7: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

Passed on first reading this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

First reading waived by action of the Board of Trustees this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

Passed on second reading this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Gron, Tross, Wilson, Moreau, Fitzpatrick and Ware

Nays: None

Absent: None

Approved by me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

  
William J. Mueller, Village President

ATTEST:

  
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Brigitte O'Brien, Village Clerk

Published by me in pamphlet form this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009.

  
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Brigitte O'Brien, Village Clerk