

ORDINANCE 6092

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING TEXT AMENDMENTS
TO THE LOMBARD SIGN ORDINANCE
TITLE 15, CHAPTER 153 OF THE CODE OF LOMBARD, ILLINOIS**

(PC 07-31: Text Amendments to the Lombard Sign Ordinance)

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard maintains a Sign Ordinance which is found in Title 15, Chapter 153 of the Code of Lombard, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees deem it reasonable to periodically review said Zoning Ordinance and make necessary changes; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing to consider a text amendment to the Sign Ordinance has been conducted by the Village of Lombard Plan Commission on September 17, 2007 pursuant to appropriate and legal notice; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission has filed its recommendations with the President and Board of Trustees recommending approval of the text amendment described herein; and,

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees approve and adopt the findings and recommendations of the Plan Commission and incorporate such findings and recommendations herein by reference as if they were fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 210, of the Code of Lombard, Illinois is hereby amended to read in part as follows:

§153.210 AUTOMATIC CHANGEABLE COPY

Automatic Changeable Copy signs are allowable as a component of a wall or freestanding sign and shall be included in the total area of the sign. Automatic Changeable Copy signs are allowable only in the CR, B3, B4, B4A and B5 zoning districts on property with a minimum of 500 lineal front footage in accordance with the following provisions:

SECTION 2: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 234, of the Code of Lombard, Illinois is hereby amended to read in part as follows:

§153.234 SANDWICH BOARD SIGNS

Sandwich board signs are signs which are permitted to be placed on public sidewalks and which are intended for pedestrian-oriented businesses only. It is unlawful to construct, erect, or maintain any Sandwich Board Signs without complying with the following provisions:

A. Applicability: Sandwich board signs shall be permitted only for businesses which meet all of the following criteria:

1. The property on which the business is located is zoned B1, B2, B3, B4, B4A, B5 or B5A.

SECTION 3: That Title 15, Chapter 153, Section 505, of the Code of Lombard, Illinois is hereby amended to read in part as follows:

§153.505 B3, B4 AND B4A COMMUNITY SHOPPING DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

(A) Purpose Statement

The B3, B4 and B4A Community and Corridor Shopping Districts are designed to provide for the needs of a much larger consumer population than is served by the B1 or B2 Districts; thus a wider range of uses and structure sizes is permitted for both daily and occasional shopping. These districts are generally located astride regional and major arterial roadways.

The intent of the B3, B4 and B4A Community and Corridor Shopping District sign regulations is to provide for the need of businesses and enterprises located in the district for identification by passing vehicular traffic, while protecting the vehicular traffic for the adverse affects of visual distraction, and enhancing the aesthetics of the district by preventing visual clutter. Because the traffic on the regional and major arterial roadways tends to move at a higher rate and volume than other traffic in the village, the size and scale of signage within the district is greater than that permitted in other districts.

(B) Permitted Signs

All signs located in the B3, B4 and B4A Community and Corridor Shopping Districts shall conform to the specific requirements set forth in this Ordinance. In any B3, B4 and B4A Community and Corridor Shopping Districts no sign shall be permitted except the following named signs:

- (1) Signs not subject to permit fee in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 153.205.

(2) Signs not subject to permit in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 153.206, except a business flag may only be flown in conjunction with the flag of the United States of America.

(3) Automatic Changeable Copy Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.210.

(4) Awnings and canopies, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.211. In addition, no awning or canopy sign shall be erected or maintained in any B3, or B4 District unless it also meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Area:

1) The total sign surface area of all awning or canopy signs on any single parcel of property shall not exceed one times the lineal front footage of the property, excepting that each business shall be entitled to a minimum of twenty-five (25) square feet of sign surface area. The total sign surface area of any single awning or canopy sign shall not exceed one-hundred (100) square feet.

2) If the awning or canopy sign is to be back a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) feet from the property line which the sign shall face, then the total sign surface area of all awning, canopy or wall signs on the single parcel of property shall not exceed two times the lineal front footage of the property. The total sign surface area of a single awning or canopy sign shall not exceed two-hundred (200) square feet.

3) If the awning or canopy sign is to be set back a minimum of two-hundred forty (240) feet from the property line which the sign shall face, then the total sign surface area of all awning, canopy or wall signs on the single parcel of property shall not exceed two times the lineal front footage of the property. However, the total sign surface area of a single awning or canopy sign shall not exceed fifty (50%) percent of the permitted signage.

(5) Development Signs, in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 153.215.

(6) Freestanding Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.216. No freestanding sign shall be erected or maintained within any B3, B4 and B4A Shopping Districts unless it also meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Display: No business establishment shall display a freestanding sign unless the establishment is directly accessible by car and provides a minimum of four parking spaces on the premises where such freestanding sign is displayed.

(b) Area:

1) No freestanding sign shall exceed fifty (50) square feet in sign surface area unless specifically regulated below.

2) Any freestanding sign fronting on a state right-of-way shall not exceed one hundred twenty five (125) square feet in sign surface area.

(c) Setback:

1) The leading edge of freestanding signs shall not protrude beyond the edge of the adjacent right-of-way unless specifically regulated below.

2) Any freestanding sign fronting on a state right-of-way shall be set back not less than seventy-five (75) feet from the centerline of the adjacent right-of-way.

(d) Height:

1) The height of a freestanding sign shall not exceed twenty (20) feet unless specifically regulated below. In all cases height shall be measured from grade at the edge of the right-of-way to the top of the sign.

2) The height of any freestanding sign fronting on a state right-of-way shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet. In all cases height shall be measured from grade at the edge of the right-of-way to the top of the sign.

(e) Number: No more than one freestanding sign shall be maintained on any one parcel of property.

(f) Distance Between Signs: All freestanding signs shall be located at least one-hundred (100) feet apart; provided, however, that if such freestanding signs comply with all other provisions except the requisite distance between signs, and it is not reasonable to so comply with the distance between signs requirement, such freestanding signs shall be allowed to be maintained.

(g) Freestanding Sign Design: Unless otherwise prohibited by the Lombard Building Code, the exterior appearance of all freestanding signs located within the B4A District shall be of the same or compatible material as the principal building on the respective property.

(7) Informational Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.218.

(8) Marquees, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.220.

(9) Motor Fuel Rate Sign, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.224.

(10) Off-premise signs in the B3, B4 or B4A Districts in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.226.

(11) Projecting Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.228. No projecting sign shall be erected or maintained in any B3, B4 or B4A District unless it also meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Area: The total sign surface area of all projecting signs on any single parcel of property shall not exceed one-half time the lineal front footage of the property.

(12) Real Estate Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.229.

(13) Sandwich Board Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.234.

(14) Shopping Center Identification Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.234.

(15) Temporary Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.237.

(16) Under Canopy Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.239.

(17) Valance Signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.240.

(18) Valet parking signs, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.241.

(19) Wall signs in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 153.242. In addition, no wall sign shall be erected or maintained in any B3, B4 or B4A District unless it also meets all of the following requirements:

SECTION 4: 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 _____, 2007.

First reading waived by action of the Board of Trustees this 4th day of October, 2007.

Passed on second reading this 4th day of October, 2007.

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Ayes: Trustees Gron, Tross, O'Brien, Moreau, Fitzpatrick, Soderstrom

Nays: None

Absent: None

Approved this 4th day of October, 2007

William J. Mueller, Village President

ATTEST:

Brigitte O' Brien, Village Clerk

Published by me this 17th day of October, 2007.

Brigitte O' Brien, Village Clerk