

CITY OF STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO

ORDINANCE NO. 2893

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26 OF THE STEAMBOAT SPRINGS REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING THE SIGN CODE IN THE CDC, SECTIONS 712.C, 712.E, 502.C, 509.C, AND 509.E, PL20220467.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Community Development Code as Ordinance No. 2624 on November 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to regular, ongoing review of the Community Development Code so that the provisions contained therein are relevant and applicable to the community at any given point in time; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 22, 2022 and recommended City Council adopt the amendment to the Community Development Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO:

SECTION 1. Section 712.C of the Community Development Code shall be amended to read as follows:

712.C Limitations

A Sign Plan shall not vary or modify:

- ~~1. Any standard that requires an Adjustment.~~
2. Any standard that ~~creates a nonconformity or~~ results in an increase of a nonconformity.
3. Any sign that has been approved by an Adjustment.
4. Anything that is prohibited by Article 5.
5. Any sign that is nonconforming, abandoned, or illegal.

Renumber the remainder of the section.

SECTION 2. Section 712.E of the Community Development Code shall be amended to read as follows:

712.E Criteria for Approval

A Sign Plan shall be approved upon a finding that the following criteria are met:

- ~~1. The proposed signs comply with all standards in Article 5.~~
2. The Sign Plan is a comprehensive plan for all signs on the lot or within the project area.
3. The Sign Plan is consistent with guidelines in Section 507.B.3.
4. For Sign Plans proposed under Section 712.B.3, the following additional criteria shall apply:
 - a. The proposed signs demonstrate creativity in design, architecture, or materials where the result is better than the standard; and
 - b. The proposed signs complement the architectural style, character, materials, color, and detail of buildings on and adjacent to the lot; and
 - c. The proposed signs are consistent with the Context Area for the specific property; and

- d. The total number of signs is consistent with the number of signs on other properties in the Context Area; and
- e. The number of signs allocated to a specific sign type is similar to the standard number of signs for that sign type for other properties in the Context Area; and
- f. The proposed signs, both individually and in the aggregate, are proportional to the building's size, massing, and neighborhood context.

Renumber the remainder of the section.

SECTION 3. Section 502.C of the Community Development Code shall be amended to read as follows:

502.C Termination

1. The legal nonconforming status of a temporary sign shall be terminated immediately upon the expiration of the term of an approved permit or 30 days after the effective date of this Article, whichever is less.
2. The legal nonconforming status of a permanent sign shall be terminated immediately upon any of the following:
 - a. A legal nonconforming sign is determined to be an abandoned sign; or
 - b. A legal nonconforming sign structure does not display copy for 60 days or more; or
 - c. ~~There is a change in use or tenant; or~~
 - d. A legal nonconforming sign has been determination by the Building Official to be an immediate hazard to public health, safety, or welfare; or
 - e. The legal nonconforming status is terminated based upon any additional provision in Section 104.

Renumber the remainder of the section.

SECTION 4. Section 509.C of the Community Development Code shall be amended to read as follows:

509.C Display Sign

Standards	BA	TCC	PC	CCR
Number of Signs				
Pedestrian-Oriented Display Signs				
Per. Nonresidential Use	1	1	1	1
Vehicle-Oriented Display Signs				
Per. Nonresidential Use	May be allowed by Major Adjustment			24 max
Sign Area				
Per. Pedestrian-Oriented Display Sign	4 sf. max			
Per. Vehicle-Oriented Display Sign	May be allowed by Major Adjustment			25 sf. max
Total Display Sign Area per Use	50 sf. maximum 100 Sf. Maximum			

SECTION 5. Section 509.E of the Community Development Code shall be amended to read as follows:

509.E Freestanding Sign

Standards ¹	SFR ²	MFR ²	BA ²	PC ²	CCR ²	IC ²
Number of Signs³						
Neighborhood-Street-Frontage ^{3,4}	1	1				
Neighborhood ⁴	2-max.	2-max.				
Nonresidential-Lot-Primary-Frontage ^{3,4}	1	1	2-max.	1	2-max.	1-max.
Project-Area-Primary-Frontage ^{4,5}			2-max.		2-max.	2-max.
³ In-SFR-and-MFR-Context-Areas-a-lot-will-either-be-part-of-a-neighborhood-or-a-nonresidential-lot.						
⁴ In-BA,CCR, and-IC-Context-Areas-a-lot-will-either-be-part-of-a-Project-Area-or-an-individual-lot.						
Sign-Area⁶						
Per-Sign	10-sf	20-sf	25-sf	20-sf	32-sf	20-sf
Changeable-Message⁷						
Number of Signs⁸						
Per-Nonresidential-Use	1-max.	1-max.	1-max.	1-max.	1-max.	Prohibited
Sign-Area⁹						
Per-sign	5-sf-max.	5-sf-max.		5-sf-max.		Major-Adjustment
Per-lot-or-Project-Area			12-sf-max.		12-sf-max.	
⁶ See-Section-509.B-for-additional-standards.						
Sign-Height¹⁰						
Per-sign	7'-0"		9'-0"			
Design¹¹						
Dimensional-Letters	Allowed					
Single-Face-Sign	Allowed					
Free-Form-Sign	Prohibited		Allowed			Major-Adjustment
Cabinet/Box-Sign ¹²	Prohibited		Allowed			
¹² An-Internally-illuminated-Cabinet/Box-Sign-shall-not-be-fully-illuminated-A-minimum-of-60%-of-sign-area-shall-be-opaque.						
Illumination¹³						
Internal	Prohibited Allowed ¹⁴	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed
External	Allowed					
⁷ See-Section-508.E-for-additional-standards.						
⁸ In-the-SFR-Context-Area-Internal-Illumination-is-only-allowed-for-the-Changeable-Message-portion-of-a-Nonresidential-sign.						
Limitations¹⁵						
Freestanding-Signs-shall-be-located-on-a-Pedestrian-Active-Building-Frontage.						

SECTION 6. All ordinances heretofore passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, are hereby repealed to the extent that said ordinances, or parts, thereof, are in conflict herewith.

SECTION 7. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall to any extent, be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unconstitutional, the remaining sections, subsections, clauses, phrases and provisions of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall remain in full force and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated.

SECTION 8. The City Council hereby finds, determines, and declares that this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall take five effect (5) days after its publication following final passage, as provided in Section 7.6 of the Steamboat Springs Home Rule Charter.

SECTION 10. A public hearing on this ordinance shall be held on January 17, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the Citizens Hall meeting room, Centennial Hall, Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ORDERED published, as provided by law, by the City Council of the City of Steamboat Springs, at its regular meeting held on the 3rd day of January, 2023.

Robin Crossan

**Robin Crossan, President
Steamboat Springs City Council**

ATTEST:

**Julie Franklin, CMC
City Clerk**

FINALLY READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED this 17th day of January, 2023.

Robin Crossan

**Robin Crossan, President
Steamboat Springs City Council**

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