

**PART II CODE OF ORDINANCES**  
**Chapter 28 ZONING\***

**ARTICLE 28. SIGNS\***

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**28.220. Temporary signs.**

The following temporary signs shall be permitted in any zoning district and shall be subject to the provisions set forth below:

- (1) Approval of temporary signs. Temporary signs shall be approved in accordance with the procedures provided in 28.030 through 28.050.
- (2) Removal; bond required. At the time that an application is made for any temporary sign, the applicant shall provide a cash bond to the city, the condition of which is that all signs permitted in connection with the bond shall be removed by the applicant no later than seven (7) days after the special event to which the sign relates; seven (7) days after a final certificate of occupancy is issued, if a construction sign; seven (7) days after the closing or leasing of the property, if a real estate sign; and, for all other temporary signs, no later than seven (7) days after the sign is no longer relevant to an issue or event of a temporary duration. Bonds shall be in the principal sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and shall contain language which authorizes the city to use all or any part of the principal of the bond to cover its expenses in removing the signs if the applicant for the sign permit does not remove the sign within this period of time. The designated city official responsible for reviewing the temporary sign application pursuant to Section 28.030 shall forward proof of the applicant's payment of the bond to the Code Compliance Unit Manager. Candidates for political office who have qualified by the petition method pursuant to F.S. § 99.095, seeking to post political campaign signs shall be exempt from this bond requirement.
- (3) Failure to obtain approval; removal of signs. If temporary signs are posted and the applicant has failed to obtain approval as required pursuant to this article, the city manager is authorized and directed to cause the signs to be removed immediately. The code compliance unit manager shall keep an estimate of his or her department expenses in removing such signs and no permit will later be granted to any applicant, unless the applicant first pays the expenses of removing such signs, as estimated by the code compliance unit manager. Candidates for political office who have qualified by the petition method pursuant to F.S. § 99.095, seeking to post political campaign signs, shall be exempt from this repayment requirement.
- (4) Responsibility for hazards; responsibility for removal of signs. Anyone who has installed a temporary sign, as well as the tenant or property owner, shall remove all such signs upon the issuance of a hurricane watch for the city by the National Hurricane Center of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service. Failure to remove such signs, which pose a hazard in hurricane conditions, within twenty-four

(24) hours of the issuance of the hurricane watch shall cause the city to retain the bond related to the sign, if applicable, and remove the sign in accordance with the provisions of this section.

- (5) Decorative flags and bunting. Such signs shall only be permitted by the city commission in connection with special events held in the city which are sponsored by the city and open to the general public, and shall be limited to information pertaining to the special event. In no case shall the flags or bunting be displayed more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the event and seven (7) days after the event has concluded.
- (6) Real estate sales signs, etc. Real estate sales or development signs, and construction signs, unless otherwise provided for in this article, shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area. Real estate sales or development signs may be posted after the property is listed for sale or lease or after an application is filed for development, as is appropriate to the type of sign. Construction signs may be posted after the building permit authorizing the construction is issued. The removal of these signs shall be in accordance with subsection (2) above.
- (7) Banners or signs placed across any public street, park or other public way or property. Such signs shall only be permitted by the city manager on a temporary basis, on a finding that they are in connection with a special event being held in the city which is sponsored by the city and open to the general public. Such signs shall not be permitted to be displayed more than thirty (30) days prior to the special event and seven (7) days after the event has concluded. Information on the banner shall relate only to the special event, and shall consist only of the event name, the date(s) of the special event, the time and location.
- (8) **Temporary political and noncommercial signs.** Temporary political and noncommercial signs, subject to the removal requirements of subsection (2) above, of eight (8) square feet in area or less. Temporary political signs shall not be posted or displayed prior to the date of qualification of the candidate identified in such signs. For signs relating to any other ballot matter, such signs shall not be posted or displayed prior to the date of receipt by the office of the Broward County Supervisor of Elections of the ballot matter wording for printing on the ballot for the applicable election. All other temporary noncommercial signs without a specific timeframe for posting under this section shall be permitted to be posted no earlier than the date on which such signs become relevant to an issue or event of a temporary duration.

(Ord. No. 2003-044, § 2, 12-8-03; Ord. No. 2004-020, § 2, 6-22-04; Ord. No. 2006-039, § 2, 11-28-06; Ord. No. 2008-026, § 3, 9-23-08)