

↓ **Sec. 9.102 Prohibited Signs and Design Elements**

A. Generally. This Section identifies signs and sign elements that are not allowed anywhere in the City.

B. Prohibited Signs.

1. Mobile, portable, or wheeled signs.
2. Posters, pennants, ribbons, streamers, strings of light bulbs, spinners or other moving devices.
3. Any sign in danger of falling or which is otherwise unsafe. Such signs shall be immediately repaired or removed, upon notice for such action by the Building Official to the owner or occupant of the premises on which the sign is located.
4. Off-premise signs, including billboard signs. There shall be no new construction or placement of any off-premises sign within the City limits except: A noncommercial message may be placed on any off-premises sign and displayed for no more than 30 days in any six-month period. A noncommercial message is a message other than that considered to be commercial advertising for a business.
5. Pre-existing, nonconforming billboard signs cannot be converted to an electronic changeable message (digital) billboard format.
6. Relocation of pre-existing, nonconforming billboard signs is prohibited unless it is required by construction of a project using public funding provided that such relocation is restricted to a limited period of time.
7. Signs erected or maintained on trees, or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features.
8. Signs placed on parked vehicles or trailers for the purpose of advertising a product or business located on the same or abutting property, excepting an identification sign that is affixed to a vehicle regularly operated in the pursuance of day-to-day business or activity of an enterprise.
9. Signs placed, inscribed or supported upon a roof or upon any structure that extends above the roof line of any building.
10. Inflatable images.
11. Signs containing flashing, moving, intermittent, or running lights or which imitate traffic-control devices (in size, color, lettering, or design), provided however, that electronic changeable copy signs shall be permitted per this Division.
12. Signs that employ any part or element which revolves, rotates, whirls, spins or otherwise makes use of motion to attract attention.

13. Beacons or searchlights.
14. High intensity strobe lights.
15. Signs with more than two sign faces.
16. Signs on public property. Any signs found upon any public property may be removed by the City.
17. Tree-cutting or similar clearing of vegetation on public rights-of-way to provide better view of off-premises signs is prohibited.

C. Prohibited Sign Materials. Paper and cloth signs are not suitable and shall not be used for exterior use (except high quality, weather-resistant cloth for awnings). Wood signs must be sealed and maintained to keep moisture from deteriorating the sign. Signs may not be constructed of plywood or particle board, by simply painting letters on wood, or using “sticker” letters. Commercial grade vinyl letters applied onto glass are permissible.