

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Jones and Members of the Board

FROM: Karen Proctor, Town Administrator
Randi Gallivan, Town Clerk

DATE: June 6, 2019

RE: Code Enforcement- Signs

BACKGROUND:

Code section 16-3-100(d)(15) of the Foxfield Municipal code states the following as exempt from the sign code: "Any event signs for events lasting less than twenty-four (24) hours, including but not limited to garage sales, weddings, gatherings, etc. Temporary signs announcing a campaign, drive or event of the civic, philanthropic, educational or religious organization, provided that these events signs are not displayed for more than fourteen (14) days and do not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in total sign area."

Code section 16-4-10(a)(4) states "There shall be no visible advertising of the home occupation on the premises."

Code section 16-3-100(i) states, "No signs are allowed within the right-of-way in any nonresidential zone district or PD District. Temporary signs are permitted in the right-of-way in residential zones at the discretion of the Town, provided that they comply with all of the following standards:"

- (1) Such sign does not exceed two (2) square feet in area per face and the top of the sign is no more than three (3) feet above the ground.
- (2) No person shall construct or cause to be constructed a sign or sign structure in the right-of-way, which would not easily break away if hit by a vehicle or otherwise creates a potentially hazardous roadside obstacle.
- (3) All temporary signs shall be located at least ten (10) feet from a paved street or trail.
- (4) No sign except for political signs and "House for Sale" signs shall remain in the right-of-way for more than one (1) week.
- (5) No sign shall advertise or direct attention to a business, commodity, service or activity regardless of whether it is conducted, sold or offered in the Town, except that it may advertise a specific house for sale, open house, garage, yard or estate sale located in the Town. Both the sign and related activity shall comply with all applicable sections of this Section.

(6) Signs which do not violate any other provision of this Section may be used to direct traffic to a property within the Town; however, the number of signs shall not exceed the minimum number needed to direct traffic to the property and shall be limited to one (1) sign per entry and one (1) sign per intersection.

(7) The person or organization responsible for the erection or distribution of any sign in the right-of-way shall be responsible for removing such sign. The removal of garage, estate and yard sale signs shall be regulated by this Section. Political signs shall be removed within three (3) days following the election or termination of the campaign. All other signs shall be removed immediately following the conclusion of the event or activity to which they are related.

Section 2B.10 of the MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices) states that "No items other than retroreflective strips or official traffic control signs shall be mounted on the fronts or backs of STOP or YIELD signs or supports."

DISCUSSION:

Staff has heard concerns recently regarding the removal of signs in the Town.