

ZONING RESOLUTION #3-T-66

MODIFYING THE REGULATIONS  
GOVERNING SIGNS, BILLBOARDS, ETC.

ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 1, 1966

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ZONING COMMISSION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, in regular session assembled this the 1st day of September  
A. D. 1966, that the following modification is hereby adopted as an Amendment to  
Zoning Resolution #3 pursuant to the authority vested in said Commission by Chap-  
ter 57-1691, Special Laws of Florida 1957, and Chapter 59-1686, Special Laws of  
Florida 1959:

Under SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS delete the following definitions as written:

ADVERTISING SIGNS, ACCESSORY

ADVERTISING SIGNS, PRINCIPAL USE

ADVERTISING SIGNS, OUTDOOR

and insert the following in proper alphabetical order:

SIGNS AND OUTDOOR DISPLAYS

For the purpose of this resolution, all sign definitions and terms shall be  
as outlined in Chapter XXIII of the Palm Beach County Building Code.

Delete SECTION 4-B-9 as written and substitute the following:

9. Signs and Outdoor Displays meeting the regulations as set forth in Sec-  
tion 15.

Delete SECTION 8-B-5 as written and substitute the following:

5. Signs and Outdoor Displays meeting the regulations as set forth in Sec-  
tion 15.

Delete SECTION 14-6 - Sign Regulations as written and substitute the following:

6. Signs and Outdoor Displays (See Section 15 of this resolution)

Renumber present SECTIONS 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 as SECTIONS 16, 17, 18, 19,  
20, 21, and 22.

ADD New SECTION 15 - SIGNS AND OUTDOOR DISPLAYS

A. REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO BILLBOARDS

1. Locations

No billboard shall be erected:

(a) Upon any property zoned as a Residential District except as approved under Section 15-B-3

(b) Within TWO HUNDRED FEET (200') of a residence, church, or school except in a Commercial or Industrial Zone.

(c) Within TWENTY-FIVE FEET (25') of any ultimate right-of-way in a Residential, Commercial, or Industrial Zoning District or FIFTEEN FEET (15') in an A-1 Agricultural District.

(d) Within TWENTY-FIVE FEET (25') of the ultimate right-of-way lines, on any corner lot, except that such signs may be erected on roofs of buildings in accordance with Section 15-B-9 of this Resolution governing roof signs.

2. Maintenance

It shall be the duty of every person maintaining any billboard within the unincorporated areas to keep the property within TWENTY FEET (20') of such billboards free of trash and debris; to cut the weeds and brush around said billboards and to paint or cover by shrubbery or lattice work, the frame of any signs visible from any street.

B. REGULATIONS AS TO OTHER SIGNS

1. Flat or Wall Signs

No flat or wall sign shall be erected at a distance of more than TWELVE INCHES (12") beyond the face of any building, marquees being considered as a part of a building. The outside edge of wall signs on marquees shall be no closer than the ultimate right-of-way line.

2. Fixed Projecting Signs

The outer edge of any fixed projecting sign shall not extend closer than the ultimate right-of-way.

3. Real Estate Signs

Real estate signs shall be permitted only for the purpose of advertising the land or building for rent or for sale unless otherwise approved by the

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Zoning Commission, and shall relate only to the premises upon which the sign is located. Only one double faced real estate sign, visible from one street front shall be permitted on each parcel of land located within any residential district. Such sign shall not exceed the number of square feet of sign area if located within the distances of a residence in such residential districts as hereinafter specified, to wit:

<u>MAXIMUM SIGN AREA</u>	<u>WITHIN DISTANCE OF RESIDENCE</u>
6 sq. ft.	50 ft.
12 sq. ft.	100 ft.

Subdivision development signs in a County Approved Subdivision shall be permitted to exceed the above sizes where the location of such signs is more than TWO HUNDRED FEET (200') from any residence and approval shall be on a temporary one (1) year basis.

4. Point of Purchase Signs

Not more than three (3) point of purchase signs shall be permitted for each street front at each place of business or premises. These signs may be any combination of the following types: Marquee, Projecting, Pylon, Roof or Detached. A temporary real estate sign may be added to those enumerated in this subsection.

(a) Provisions:

(1) Detached Signs - The total maximum area of a detached sign or signs shall be SIXTY SQUARE FEET for a business with a street frontage of SIXTY FEET (60') or less in length. One additional square foot of sign area will be allowed for each additional foot of street frontage over SIXTY FEET (60') up to a maximum of SIX HUNDRED FEET (600').

On business property with SIXTY FEET (60') or less of street frontage, there shall be a minimum SIX FOOT (6') setback from the interior side lot lines except pole signs with a minimum clearance of NINE FEET (9') between the bottom of the sign and the established grade which may be allowed at, but not overhanging, the interior side lot lines. On business property with a street frontage between SIXTY FEET (60') and ONE HUNDRED FEET (100') there shall

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be a minimum setback from the interior side property lines equal to 10% of the street frontage. On business property with a street frontage of over ONE HUNDRED FEET (100'), there shall be a minimum setback from the interior side property lines equal to 20% of the street frontage with a maximum setback of FIFTY FEET (50') required.

(2) Projecting Sign - No size limitation except as set forth in Section 2303.4 - Projecting Signs - of the county building code.

(3) Marquee Sign - No size limitation except as set forth in Section 15-B-11 of this resolution and Section 2303.5 of the county building code.

(4) Pylon Sign - No size limitation except as set forth in Section 15-B-6 of this resolution.

(5) Roof Sign - No size limitation except as otherwise provided in Section 15-B-9 of this resolution.

5. Pole or Ground Signs

(a) No supporting member or any part of a pole or ground sign utilized as a Point of Purchase Sign shall be erected nearer the street than the ultimate right-of-way.

(b) No pole or ground sign shall be erected to a height exceeding THIRTY-FIVE FEET (35') above the ground or street level except as otherwise provided in Section 15-D-2. Lighting reflectors may project beyond the face of the sign.

(c) One pole or ground sign may be located within TWENTY-FIVE FEET (25') of a property corner at a street intersection where not otherwise prohibited by County Code. No part of any pole or ground sign so located shall project over the public right-of-way; such sign shall not exceed THREE FEET (3') in height unless there is at least a NINE FOOT (9') clearance from the ground. The total permissible diameter of sign poles within TWENTY-FIVE FEET (25') of an intersection property corner shall be TWELVE INCHES (12").

6. Pylon Sign

(a) All pylon signs shall meet the requirements of projecting signs as to maximum projection from the wall, minimum height above sidewalk and horizontal clearance from the public right-of-way.

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(b) Maximum height of pylon signs will be limited to TWENTY-FOUR FEET (24') above the roof level and THIRTY-FIVE FEET (35') above ground level except as otherwise provided in Section 15-D-2.

7. Entrance Gates

(a) All entrance gates shall be located a minimum of FIVE FEET (5') from any ultimate road right-of-way line.

(b) All Entrance Gates shall be a maximum height of THREE FEET (3') within a distance of FIVE FEET (5') to FIFTEEN FEET (15') from the ultimate right-of-way. A continuous fence of no more than THREE FEET (3') in height may be used in conjunction with said entrance gate provided no traffic hazard is created. The maximum height of the Entrance Gate shall be EIGHT FEET (8') from ground level at a distance of FIFTEEN FEET (15') or more from the ultimate right-of-way line.

(c) Lettering - The maximum allowable size of any lettering shall be TWENTY-FOUR INCHES (24") in height, and shall only identify the county approved subdivision or community.

8. Home Occupation Name Plates

All Home Occupation Name Plates shall be located in the vicinity of the main entrance at or behind the building setback line. The maximum size shall be ONE FOOT (1') square.

9. Roof Signs

Roof signs shall not extend over public property and shall be limited to a maximum height of TWENTY-FOUR FEET (24') above the roof level, or THIRTY-FIVE FEET (35') above ground level, except as provided in Section 15-D-2.

10. Conditional Use Signs

Conditional Use Signs for churches, including church bulletins, clubs, and schools, may not exceed EIGHTEEN SQUARE FEET in gross area. Other signs authorized under conditional use may not exceed TWENTY-FOUR SQUARE FEET in gross area, meet a minimum side setback of TWENTY-FIVE FEET (25') from the interior lot line and may be illuminated but not flash.

A day nursery may have a non-illuminated sign not exceeding SIX SQUARE FEET in gross area at the building setback line.

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11. Marquee Signs

All marquee signs shall be hung so as to be at least EIGHT FEET (8') at its lowest level above the sidewalk or ground level or both. A marquee sign shall not extend over the ultimate right-of-way line.

C. CERTAIN SIGNS OR ADVERTISING STRUCTURES PROHIBITED

From and after the effective date of this Amendment, it shall be unlawful for any person to erect or use within the unincorporated areas of Palm Beach County:

1. Any swinging projecting sign.
2. Any snipe sign.
3. Any banner over any street or sidewalk or within any County playground or park without permission from the County Commission.
4. Any sign erected, relocated or maintained so as to prevent free ingress to or egress from any door, window, or fire escape.
5. Any sign attached to a standpipe or fire escape.
6. Any sign, portable or fixed, placed or erected on or over any part of the ultimate road right-of-way other than directional signs erected by authorized County or State Officials.
7. Temporary political signs erected within FIVE FEET (5') of any public right-of-way.
8. Any unauthorized sign on County property.
9. Any sign which, in its design, lighting, animation, or embellishment of any nature, simulates the appearance of any state or local traffic sign or lighting.
10. Any illuminated sign of such intensity that the observer becomes temporarily blinded.
11. Any sign with copy, or lighting of such nature as to interfere with, mislead, or confuse traffic.
12. Any sign which exhibits thereon any lewd, lascivious, indecent or immoral material.

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13. Any sign attached to trees, utility poles or any other unapproved supporting structure.

D. GENERAL

1. Height Above Sidewalks, Etc.

No portion of any sign projecting over a private sidewalk in said unincorporated areas shall be less than NINE FEET (9') above the grade of said sidewalk. Any sign projecting over private property and located where motor trucks may be required to pass beneath them, shall be erected and maintained at a height not less than FOURTEEN FEET (14'). No portion of any sign shall project over public property.

2. Height Above 35 Feet

For any signs over 35 feet in height, measured from established grade of property to top of sign structure, there shall be a minimum setback from all property lines of 110% of the overall height.

/s/ Walter R. Hooker  
Chairman

/s/ Wm. F. Koch, Jr.

/s/ James H. Watson, Jr.

/s/ George R. Brockway

Attest:

/s/ Viola McCarthy  
Clerk

/s/ Roy George  
As and constituting the Zoning Commission  
of Palm Beach County, Florida.