
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

TO: RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

FROM: AMY J. DIXON, PLANNER II *ALD*

DATE: May 17, 2017

CASE FILE NO.: CA 16-05

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SALEM REVISED CODE CHAPTER 900, SIGN CODE.

Notice of an upcoming public hearing is included with this mailing.

The public hearing on this matter is scheduled for June 6, 2017. Details about this public hearing are included on the attached public notice.

The proposed code amendments would:


1. Address the requirements for plan submittal.
The current code requires that two copies of the drawings be submitted. Due to electronic submittal, two copies of plans are not necessary. This amendment is to allow only one set of plans to be submitted.
2. Eliminate temporary sign permits.
The need for temporary sign permits was based on addressing compliance issues. Most compliance issues involve temporary signs that do not require permit, such as lawn and rigid signs. The current code allows for a fee to be assessed for violations.
3. Exempt public art and markers from sign code.
This amendment would exempt Public Art and Art Markers from sign permits. Public Art, as defined is SRC Chapter 15, means original works of art owned or acquired by the City and accepted into the City's Public Art Collection by the Salem Public Art Commission. Current code language only exempt Public Murals.
4. Establish an additional adjustment process.

The Unified Development Code (UDC) created a Class 2 zoning adjustment to address situations that exceed a Class 1 zoning adjustment but would not warrant a variance process. This amendment reflects the change to the UDC zoning adjustment procedure.

5. Establish measurable brightness standards for electronic signs.

Current code language addressing brightness is subjective once installed. More measurable standards are needed to address complaints.

6. Housekeep changes, such as rename overlay zones to be consistent with Title 10: Zoning Chapters. Overlay zone areas were separated into new, smaller, overlay zones when the UDC was adopted.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

PURPOSE OF HEARING: The Salem Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed amendments to the Salem Revised Code Chapter 900, Sign Code. The proposed amendments will reduce the number of plans required for submittal, eliminate the need for temporary sign permits, exempt public art markers from sign permits, create an adjustment process, create a measurable electronic display brightness standards, and review the overall Sign Code for housekeeping issues.

CASE FILE NUMBER: CA 16-05

DATE AND TIME OF PUBLIC HEARING: Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION OF PUBLIC HEARING: Council Chambers, Civic Center, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem, Oregon 97301

STAFF CONTACT: Amy J. Dixon, Planner II; 503-540-2304; adixon@cityofsalem.net

PLEASE PROVIDE COMMENTS TO: City of **Salem Planning Division**, 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 305, Salem, Oregon 97301.

PLEASE PROVIDE COMMENTS BY: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Chapter 110, Zone Code Administration, section 110.085(b):

(b) Criteria. An amendment to the UDC may be made if:

- (1) The amendment is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City; and
- (2) The amendment conforms with the Salem Area Comprehensive Plan, applicable Statewide Planning Goals, and applicable administrative rules adopted by the Department of Land Conservation and Development.

Any person wishing to provide testimony either for or against the proposal may do so in person, by representative, or through submission of written testimony at the public hearing. Written testimony submitted prior to the public hearing may be filed with the **Salem Planning Division**, 555 Liberty Street SE, Room 305, Salem, OR 97301. Please include reference to the case file number in all correspondence. Only those who have participated in the hearing in person, by representative, or through submission of written testimony have the right to appeal the decision.

Subsequent to the close of the hearing, the Planning Commission will forward a recommendation to the City Council. Notice of the recommendation will be mailed to all neighborhood associations, anyone who participated in the hearing, and anyone who requested to receive notice.

The case file is available for inspection at the office of the Salem Planning Division, City Hall, Room 305, at no cost and copies may be obtained at a reasonable cost. A copy of the staff report will be available for inspection one week prior to the hearing. The staff report will be available online no later than 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2017 at the following location:

<http://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/planning-commission.aspx>

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