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Amended 01-08-02 text addition

## ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT APPLICATION

#### CITY OF CHARLOTTE

Amend CHAPTER 13: <u>SIGNS</u>, Section 13.107. <u>Temporary signs requiring permits</u>. (1) <u>Temporary Planned Development Signs</u>, <u>provided</u>: by adding the following provision (f) to the existing regulation:

(f). The maximum height of the primary sign shall not exceed 10 feet, and for secondary signs the maximum height shall not exceed  $\pi$  feet.

> added Stipulation

Section #: 13.107 Temporary signs requiring permits

SIGN REGULATIONS (Title)

#### Purpose of Change:

The proposed text amendment will help clarify the maximum height restriction for temporary signs. The ordinance does not adequately address the height restriction for temporary signage. The only reference is for permanent signs.

A temporary sign lists the names of the upcoming project, builder, architects, financing institution, etc. This signage is temporary in nature and is required to be removed at the completion of the project. The only remaining signage is the permanent wall and detached signs allowed by Chapter 13 of the Ordinance.

Temporary signs have been permitted to a height of 12 feet since the adoption of the City Ordinance in the 1960's and also permitted to a height of 12 feet under the present zoning ordinance adopted in 1988. Therefore the purpose of this amendment is to bring uniformity and consistency to the permitting and enforcement aspects of temporary signage.

To aid time table for removal of primary signs.

#### Background:

The majority of the "temporary planned development signs" that have been manufactured, permitted, and installed in the city have been placed on the sites with an average height of 12 feet.

The typical temporary planned development sign is fabricated on a 4x8 sheet of plywood. The sign is erected with a 4x4 post with a typical ground clearance of 24 inches, thus making the sign stand 10 feet tall.

A recent interpretation has limited the height to 7 feet. The code does not specifically address the height restriction for "temporary signs requiring permits". The new amendment will help clarify the height restriction and provide consistency for existing and future "temporary signs requiring permits".

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