

# Regulations for Residential Signs and Flags

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## Allowed Residential Signs:

- Garage Sale
- For Sale/Lease
- Political Signs (campaign signs)
- Political Message Signs (by state statute)

Non-governmental flags are not addressed in the ordinance.

Current ordinance language does not permit single-family residential homes to display signs such as:

- School participation signs
- Religious signs
- Celebration signs

Current ordinance allows display of US, Texas and Addison flags but does not allow display of corporate, college or other flags.

Does the City Council desire that staff bring forward an interim amendment to the sign ordinance to allow:

- Additional residential signs
- Flags in addition to the governmental flags allowed by the current ordinance

# Proposed Ordinance Language

Amend Section §62-143 of the Sign Ordinance to read as follows:

**Sec. 62-143. - Single-family or duplex residential premises.**

- (a) A single-family, duplex or townhome residential premises may display one detached, nonilluminated sign which may advertise a garage sale on the premises or refer to the sale or lease of the premises. The sign shall not exceed three square feet.
- (b) In addition to the sign permitted above, a single-family, duplex or townhome residential premises may display not more than three (3) signs. Each sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet.
- (c) Political signs are not subject to the three-sign limit set forth in subsection (2) above and shall comply with Texas Election Code §259.003.

Amend Section 62-137 of the Sign Ordinance to delete and relocate subsection (b) as follows:

**Sec. 62-137. - Government signs.**

(a) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent the display of governmental signs including signs for the control of traffic or other regulatory purposes, street signs, danger signs, railroad crossing signs and signs of public service companies indicating danger and/or aids to service or safety which are erected by or on approval of the town.

~~(b) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent the display of the United States, Texas or Addison flag whose size does not exceed 40 square feet and which flag is displayed upon a flagpole which does not exceed 30 feet in height above the natural grade, or when attached to a \_\_\_\_\_ building, above the finished elevation of the ground floor as defined by the Building Code. The number of flags on a premises shall not exceed three. All national flags or state flags in excess of the foregoing sizes must apply for a meritorious exception as set forth in subsection 62-32(a).~~



Add Section 62-148 to the Sign Ordinance as follows:

**Sec. 62-148. –Flags**

- (a) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent the display of the United States, Texas or Addison flag whose size does not exceed 40 square feet and which flag is displayed upon a flagpole which does not exceed 30 feet in height above the natural grade, or when attached to a building, above the finished elevation of the ground floor as defined by the Building Code. The number of flags on a premises shall not exceed three. All national flags or state flags in excess of the foregoing sizes must apply for a meritorious exception as set forth in subsection 62-32(a).
  
- (b) Other flags are limited to one (1) per premises and are subject to the same height and placement requirements in (a) above and may not exceed 15 square feet in size.

# Questions?

