

#### **8.4 NONCONFORMING SIGNS**

- A. Any nonconforming sign now or hereafter existing which no longer advertises a bona fide business conducted, or a product sold, for a period of six (6) months or longer, shall be considered conclusive evidence of an intention to legally abandon the nonconforming sign. This shall not apply to seasonal businesses routinely closed for a portion of the year.
- B. Any abandoned nonconforming sign, or other sign that has lost its legal nonconforming status under this Article, shall be removed or made conforming by the owner, agent, or person having the beneficial use of the lot, building or structure upon which such sign may be found, within thirty (30) days after written notification from the Zoning Administrator.
- C. The Zoning Administrator is hereby authorized to cause removal of any nonconforming sign that has lost legal nonconforming status under this Article and any expense incident thereto shall be paid by the owner of the lot, building or structure to which such sign is attached.
- D. Nothing herein shall prohibit the repair, reinforcement, alteration, improvement, or modernizing of a lawful nonconforming sign.
- E. The repainting, refinishing or resurfacing of a legal nonconforming sign shall not cause the sign to lose legal nonconforming status.

#### **8.5 PERMITS**

##### **8.5.1 Required**

A sign permit shall be obtained from the Zoning Administrator for all signs except those specified under subsection 8.2.1.

##### **8.5.2 Approval**

- A. Application forms for sign permits are provided by the Zoning Administrator, and shall contain or have attached thereto the following information at a minimum:
  - 1. Name, address and telephone number of applicant.
  - 2. Written consent of the owner of the building, structure, or lot to which or on which the sign is to be erected.
  - 3. Name of person, firm, corporation, or association erecting the structure.
  - 4. Location of building, structure, or lot to which or upon which the sign or other advertising structure is to be attached or erected.
  - 5. If proposed to be attached to a building, proposed location on a building.
  - 6. Position of the sign or other advertising structure in relation to nearby buildings, structures, signs or other advertising structures.