

**ORDINANCE 2009 - 5**  
**(Amending Ordinance 1999-15)**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CODE ORDINANCE FOR**  
**THE CITY OF GREENSBURG CODE OF ORDINANCE**

**WHEREAS** the City of Greensburg desires to amend and improve the Zoning Code Ordinance and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Common Council of the City of Greensburg as follows:

**§ 155.065 PURPOSE.**

**“DRIVEWAY VISION/CORNER CLEARANCE.”** A triangular space at the intersection of the driveway and adjoining property line and the triangular space of two intersecting streets. The triangular space is determined by a diagonal line connecting two points measured twenty-five (25) feet equidistant from the point of intersection along the property line and the driveway, then connecting those two points to form a triangle.

**“INTERSTATE SIGN.”** An interstate interchange sign is permitted only in a B-2, B-3, I-1 and I-2 zoning district. No interstate sign shall be erected in excess of 75 feet in vertical height and over 200 square feet total.

The interstate sign shall be located within 2,500 feet of the center point of the interchange shall be permitted an interstate oriented sign in addition to any other freestanding sign that is permitted.

**§ 155.069 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.**

Signs may be erected and maintained as long as the requirements of this subsection and all applicable ordinances and codes of the city, state, and federal government are met.

(A) Permit requirements. Improvement location permits shall be obtained prior to placement of any new sign, in any zone, except those signs that are otherwise exempted by this subsection and shall require the payment of a fee in the amount of \$20. Any new sign, which has a size in excess of 100 square feet per side and over 25 feet in height added height, shall require the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

(1) The Board of Zoning Appeals shall review said improvement location permits for such signs to make sure that they will not unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of adjoining property or create a safety hazard or obstruct a traffic view.

(2) No sign shall be located along streets, roads, intersections or pedestrian ways so as to obstruct vision or hearing or interfere with pedestrian or vehicular safety. (See DRIVEWAY VISION/CORNER CLEARANCE definition) added for clarification

(3) Time & Temperature Sign: Time and temperature signs shall be permitted as part of a primary wall or freestanding sign in the Commercial, Public/Semi-Public and Industrial zoning districts. The time and temperature sign shall count toward the total number and area allowed for the sign type (wall or freestanding) of which it is a part. No more than 1 time and temperature sign shall be permitted per frontage, with a maximum area of 12 square feet, regardless of the number of wall and/or freestanding signs permitted. Time and temperature signs may not include any commercial messages or other changeable copy (electronic or otherwise).

**(C) Off-premise signs.**

(1) Off-premise signs shall have a fourteen-foot (14') changed from 10 feet clearance beneath the signboard including cutouts. The maximum area of display surface per off-premise sign shall not exceed 150 square feet per side.

(a) In B-2, B-3, I-1 and I-2 Zoning Districts, off-premises signs not exceeding 100 square feet in area per side shall be permitted if the following conditions are met. (For codification purposes only please include items 1 – 6 delete item numbered 7)

### 155.071 (D) Pole sign.

(1) A pole sign shall have a minimum clearance of ten feet between the bottom of the face of the sign and grade or sidewalk level. If the pole sign is supported by more than one pole, the space between the poles shall not be enclosed in a manner that would impair general public visibility. The maximum width of pole covers shall be the sum total of 18 inches in a horizontal direction, plus the width of the pole covered. Except as provided below for B-2 and B-3 districts, no pole sign shall be erected in excess of 40 feet in vertical height and 100 square feet in area per side. Once a pole sign becomes inactive, as defined in this subchapter, the pole or sign apparatus must be removed along with sign itself within 30 days. An improvement location permit shall be obtained prior to the placement of a pole sign. There are no exceptions for pole signs unless listed otherwise.

(2) Subject to approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals, in B-2 and B-3 Districts, a shopping center sign may have a maximum height of 45 feet and 200 changed from 150 per side same as other towns square feet total in area. The shopping center sign shall identify the shopping center permit and the business within the shopping center to identify their business on the sign. The shopping center sign shall be located on a major thoroughfare. All outlots within the B-2 and B-3 Districts and business locations within a shopping center which do not provide a shopping center sign may have a freestanding sign not to exceed 25 feet in height identifying the business.

All signs in a B-2 and B-3 district shall maintain a minimum clearance of 10 feet from the bottom of the sign face to grade level, and the overhang shall not be located any closer than one (1) foot to any easement or within one (1) foot of any property line. All signs shall have a 25 foot clearance from any intersection/corners and shall be restricted in this area. The clearance area is measured from the property line (See DRIVEWAY VISION/CORNER CLEARANCE definition).

### (E) Lighting

**Prohibited Lighting:** The following lighting types and methods are prohibited:

1. High Intensity Lights: Laser light sources, search lights or any similar high intensity light for outdoor advertisement or entertainment,
2. Hazardous Lights: Any lighting where the light source will create off-site glare and is a hazard to travelers on any street or road.
3. Exposed Bulb Lights: The use of any exposed bulbs, visible from any property line unless exempt above unless otherwise stated.
4. Flashing and Moving Lights: Lighting that is of a flashing, moving or intermittent type, excluding Time and Temperature as listed in 155.069.

**Sign Illumination:** Signs may be illuminated either internally or externally. The source of any external illumination shall be located, aimed, and shielded so that light is directed onto the sign face. No exposed bulb or lamp shall be used on the exterior surface of any sign so as to expose the face of the bulb, light or lamp to any public right-of-way or adjacent property.

**Property Illumination:** The exterior illumination of all properties shall be designed and installed so as to prevent glare from affecting adjacent streets and excessive light trespass from affecting adjacent properties. Light trespass and glare shall be minimized through the use of shielded, diverted, and/or 90 degree cut-off fixtures. In addition, no exterior illumination originating from a non-residential zoning district at the property line of any property included in a single-family, two-family or multi-family residential zoning district exceed 0.1 foot-candles. The light levels within 10 feet horizontally from any driveway or other vehicle access point shall be exempt from the 0.1 foot-candle requirement. All properties shall also comply with the following requirements:

- (1.) Building Facade Illumination: Building facades may be illuminated using either up lighting or down lighting, or a combination of both. All lighting fixtures shall be located, aimed, and shielded so that light is directed only onto the building facade. Light fixtures shall be designed to wash the facade of the building with light, rather than providing a spotlight or floodlight affect. Lighting shall not be directed toward adjacent streets, road, or adjoining properties.

(G) **Interstate interchange sign.** An interstate interchange sign is permitted only in a B-2, B-3, I-1 and I-2 zoning district. No interstate sign shall be erected in excess of 75 feet in vertical height.

The interstate sign shall be located within 2,500 feet of the center point of the interchange shall be permitted an interstate oriented sign in addition to any other freestanding sign that is permitted. The sign shall be located in the rear yard, with the base behind the actual structure of the principal building. For lots without a rear yard (i.e., that has both interstate and access road or road frontage). An Interstate sign must have Board of Zoning Appeals Approval.

**THIS ORDINANCE** shall take effect upon its passage by the Common Council. This ordinance is hereby Adopted and Approved by the Common Council of the City of Greensburg this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

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Gary Herbert, Mayor

Presented by me to the Mayor by the Mayor of the City of Greensburg this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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L. June Ryle, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Greensburg this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009 at the hour of \_\_\_\_\_ pm.

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Gary Herbert, Mayor