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Sign Posting Requirements

The applicant shall post the required public notice sign(s) for all public hearings conducted by the Planning Board, Zoning Hearing Examiner and District Council. The applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with the sign posting requirements. The applicant shall obtain and erect all posted notice in accordance with Section 27-3407(b)(6) and Section 27-3308(b)(6) of the Prince George's Couty Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

If the property has frontage on one or more improved streets, there shall be one sign posted for each 500 feet (1000 feet if the application is subject to the prior Zoning Ordinance or Subdivision Regulations), or fraction thereof of frontage on each street. The signs shall be posted on the property near the street right-of-way, to be visible from the improved portion of the street. When more than one sign is required to be posted along a street, the signs shall, where practical, be evenly spaced along the street. If the property does not have frontage on an improved public street, then one sign shall be placed on the property. Another sign shall be placed near to, and visible from, the improved portion of the nearest, most traveled street. Any posted notice signs shall have a minimum ground clearance of three feet from the bottom of the sign.

All signs shall be posted and displayed for a continuous period. The sign(s) shall be durable, conspicuous, and legible for the length of the required posting period. The applicant is responsible for the reasonable maintenance of all signs. If a sign is removed, falls, or is otherwise not properly located on the site subject to the application, or in the right-of-way, for any portion of the required posting period, the applicant shall repost the sign.

The person posting the sign shall file written affidavits of posting in the record. A close-up, legible photograph of each posted sign and additional long-distance photographs depicting the signs and unique, identifiable features of the land subject to the application shall also be submitted and included in the record for the case.

The applicant shall inspect the sign at least one time, no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of posting, to ensure that the required signs are maintained. If a new sign is needed, it is the applicant's responsibility to obtain and replace the sign(s). The person conducting the inspection shall file in the record a written affidavit of the sign's condition. A combined posting and inspection affidavit with photographs shall be filed at least 14 days prior to the hearing.

Any unauthorized person removing, destroying, defacing, obstructing, or otherwise interfering with a posted sign (directly or indirectly) is in violation of the Zoning Ordinance or Subdivision Regulations, as applicable, and subject to any penalties provided by said Ordinances and State law. Interference with a posted sign shall in no way delay or invalidate the application.

Note: The affidavit must be received no later than 14 days prior to the Planning Board hearing. Failure to file the affidavit may result in rescheduling the hearing date or a recommendation for denial of the application.

The applicant shall remove the signs from the site within 15 days after the public hearing on the application.