

ORDINANCE NO. 19-02  
VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 133 (ZONING) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES,  
VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE, WISCONSIN  
RELATING TO SIGNS

RECITALS

- A. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 61.35 and 62.23, the Village Board of the Village of Waunakee has the authority to amend Village zoning ordinances.
- B. On August 12, 2019, the Village of Waunakee Plan Commission held a public meeting, which included a public hearing, regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 133 contained in this ordinance (the “Zoning Amendments”), and recommended approval of the Zoning Amendments to the Village Board.
- C. On Sept. 10, 2019, the Village Board held a public hearing regarding the Zoning Amendments at which citizens were provided an opportunity to comment on the Zoning Amendments. The public hearing was preceded by the publication of a class 2 notice under chapter 985 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
- D. The Village Board has determined that it is in the public interest to adopt the Zoning Amendments.

*NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Waunakee, Dane County, Wisconsin, do ordain that Chapter 133 of the Code of Ordinances, Village of Waunakee, Wisconsin is amended as follows:*

- 1. Section 133-1029 is amended to delete the following term and definition:

*Political sign* means any sign containing a message intended for a political purpose or a message which pertains to an issue of public policy of possible concern to the electorate, but does not include a message intended solely for a commercial purpose.

- 2. Section 133-1029 is amended to change the following term and definition to read as follows:

*Temporary sign* means any sign intended to be displayed for a short period of time, including real estate or construction site signs, and banners, decorative-type displays, or anything similar to such, but not including sail signs. Temporary signs shall not exceed 11 square feet in area.

3. Section 133-1030.5 is created to read as follows:

Sec. 133-1030.5. – Signs Containing a Political Message.

(1) The Village hereby adopts and incorporates by reference Wis. Stat. § 12.04, including the definitions contained therein and including any amendments to Wis. Stat. § 12.04. Notwithstanding any other provisions contained in this Article VIII, the regulation of signs containing political messages during an election campaign period by the Village shall be consistent with Wis. Stat. § 12.04 and this Section 133-1030.5.

(2) Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 12.04(4), a sign containing a political message:

(a) Shall not exceed 11 square feet in area, unless the sign is affixed to a permanent structure, does not extend beyond the perimeter of the structure, and does not obstruct a window, door, fire escape, ventilation shaft or other area which is required to remain unobstructed by an applicable State of Wisconsin or Village of Waunakee building code provision.

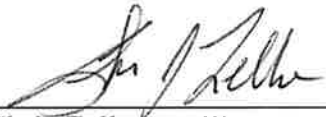
(b) Shall not be placed in the road right-of-way.

(c) Shall be subject to applicable provisions of this Article VIII if the sign containing a political message contains an electrical, mechanical or audio auxiliary.

4. Section 133-1032(16), Section 133-1033(b)(8), and Section 133-1033(c)(9) are hereby deleted.

*The foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Waunakee at a meeting held on Sept. 10, 2019.*

APPROVED:

  
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Chris Zellner, Village President

ATTEST:

  
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Caitlin Stene, Village Clerk