

**16.24.250 Portable Free-Standing Sign (A-Frame Signs)**

"Portable free-standing sign (including A-frame type signs)" means a sign that is designed to be movable and is not structurally attached to the ground, a building, a structure or any other sign. Such sign may or may not be in the configuration of an "A." (Ord. 822 C.S. § 2 (part), 1975: prior code § 10,201.1(26).)

**16.32.045 Portable Free-Standing A-Frame Signs.**

Portable free-standing A-frame type signs shall be permitted in all commercial zone districts subject to the exceptions and conditions following:

A. A business shall be allowed a maximum of one A-frame sign to be placed in front of the business or in front of a nearby business, a maximum of 100 feet from and on the same side of the street as the advertising business, with the written approval of the property owner of the neighboring business and the approval of the Community Development Department.

B. A business which conducts any part of its operation above the ground floor shall be permitted to install an A-frame sign pursuant to this Title with the written approval of the property owner and the approval of the Community Development Department. A maximum of one A-frame sign may be placed in front of each business.

C. Portable A-frame signs shall be placed so that the free flow of pedestrian traffic is not obstructed. Specifically, signage shall be placed adjacent to curbs, at least 14 feet from the street corner (see sketch B, below) or as approved by the Community Development Department.

D. A business in a shopping center may place a maximum of one A-frame sign behind or on the sidewalk in front of the shopping center or in other locations on the shopping center property, with the written consent of the property owner. The location of these signs shall be subject to review by the Community Development Department to ensure that visibility and/or pedestrian use of the sidewalk are not impeded by the sign.

E. The maximum size of a portable freestanding A-frame sign shall be three feet in height by two feet in width.

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F. Lights, moving parts, removable flyers and/or flexible materials shall be prohibited on portable A-frame signs.

G. Prior to installation or use, the location, the design and materials of portable free-standing A-frame signs must receive the Administrative Design Review approval of the Community Development Department which is authorized to impose conditions on the approval.

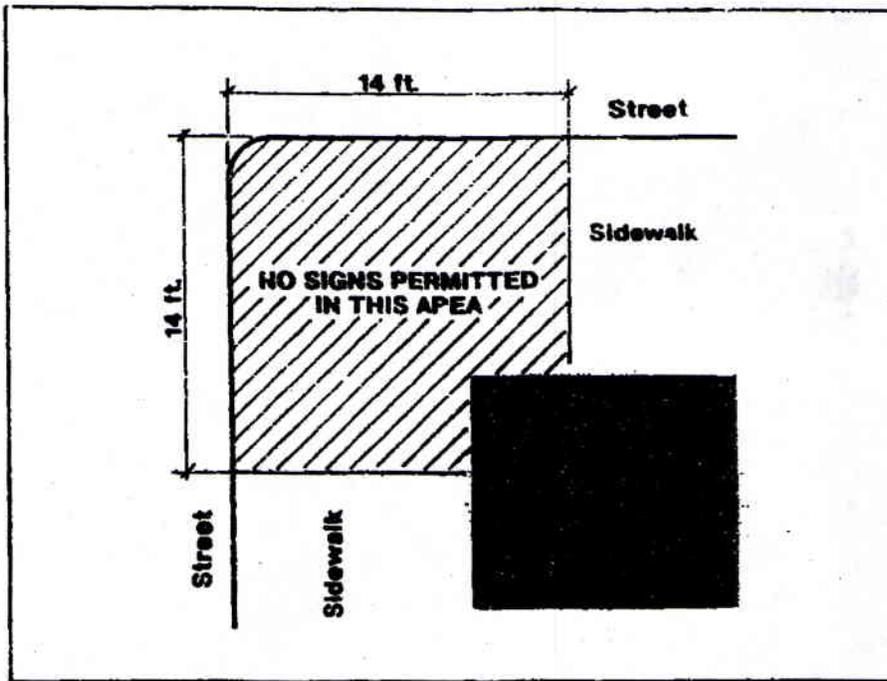
H. Administrative variances to the restrictions on the number of signs and the distance of signs from the advertising business may be approved by the Community Development Director.

I. Portable Free-standing A-frame signs shall be properly maintained and removed when the establishment is not open for business. If there exists a safety hazard due to the lack of lighting after dark an A-frame sign shall be removed from the exterior of the business prior to dark.

J. All A-frame signs existing on May 16, 1994 may be grandfathered in, but administrative design review approval by the Community Development Department shall be required. If the existing sign does not meet the location standards of this section, an administrative variance must be applied for. There shall be no fee for the design review. The fee for the variance shall be that as set by City Council Resolution.

K. The business owner and the property owner of new and existing A-frame signs shall sign an agreement holding the City harmless for damages caused by their signs located in the City right-of-way. (Ord. 1215 C.S. § I, 1994; Ord. 979 C.S § 2 1982.)

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**SKETCH B**  
Distance required  
from street corner

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