

Town of Raymond
Town Meeting Warrant – June __, 2012

ARTICLE __: Shall Article 9, Section L of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through June 7, 2011, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type as shown below?

[Note: The use of the word "Article" within the ordinance does not indicate a separate warrant article.]

Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance

ARTICLE 9 - MINIMUM STANDARDS

T. Signs *[Amended 06/02/09]*

2. Sign Permits

Except as otherwise herein provided, no person shall install, erect, or place a new sign or modify, move, replace, or make alterations to any sign, without first applying for and obtaining from the appropriate reviewing authority as set out in subsection 2.a below, a sign permit. Applications shall be on forms prescribed and provided by the Code Enforcement Officer setting forth such information as set out in subsection 2.b below and any other information that may be required by the reviewing authority for a complete understanding of the proposed work.

Applications shall be submitted to the Code Enforcement Officer, accompanied by the required fee as specified in the Schedule of Fees established by the Board of Selectmen. For Temporary Commercial Signs and Temporary Advertising Features the fee will be a refundable deposit to be forfeited to the Town if the applicant fails to remove the sign or advertising feature upon expiration of the permit.

Applications to install, erect, or place a new sign or modify, move, replace, or make alterations to any sign that is part of a project that is required to receive Site Plan review shall be made part of the application for Site Plan review. Sign applications that are part of a Site Plan application, and that have paid a Site Plan review fee, shall not be required to pay a sign application fee except for fees for Temporary Commercial Signs and Temporary Advertising Features, if any.

a. Reviewing Authority

Except for temporary signs or temporary advertising features, Planning Board approval and permit under the provisions of this section shall be required for the installation or replacement of any sign that is part of a project subject to major or minor site plan review, ~~or that is proposed for a site that ever received site~~

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~~plan approval from the Planning Board, and for all new or replacement signs located within the Commercial District.~~

Code Enforcement Officer permit approval under the provisions of this section shall be required for installation or replacement of all signs not subject to Planning Board review. Prior to permitting any sign that is proposed for a site that ever received site plan approval from the Planning Board or any new or replacement signs located within the Commercial District, the Code Enforcement Officer shall consult with the Town Planner. The Code Enforcement Officer may require that any sign application be reviewed by the Planning Board if, in the opinion of the Code Officer, the staff review process is unable to adequately resolve all relevant issues raised by the sign application review process.

b. Application Information

Applications shall include a signage plan which contains information on the location and design of the proposed sign or alteration. The plans shall show the design, size, location, color, materials, contents and type of lighting for each proposed sign.

Unless, waived by the Reviewing Authority ~~Planning Board~~, applications proposing installation or alteration of a fixed sign in the Commercial District shall be prepared by a design professional experienced in commercial signage.

10. Specific Standards

c. The following provisions shall govern the use of signs in the Industrial District.

- 1) Signs permitted in this district include free standing signs and signs attached to a building or structure, identifying uses or articles produced or services rendered on the premises. Signs attached to a building may project out from the façade of the building but may not be mounted to the roof of the building. In cases where the industrial lot abuts a lot in a residential district, the sign shall be constructed in a manner such that it will be oriented in a direction other than toward the residential district.
- 2) Signs will be allowed to the maximum size allowed in the commercial zone but will be at the discretion of the Reviewing Authority ~~Planning Board~~ to meet the standards of the area located.