

LOCAL LAW #5 OF 2019
A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE SIGN LAW IN THE CITY OF PORT JERVIS
PERMITTING SANDWICH BOARD SIGNS IN NONRESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

Purpose. The purpose of this local law is to amend the existing Signs Law in the City of Port Jervis to allow for sandwich boards on public sidewalks under certain circumstances.

Legislation:

Repealer: This Local Law shall repeal §535-41(B)(9).

New Legislation: The following language shall be added to §535-42(C), signs permitted in all nonresidential districts, as §535-42(C)(2).

§535-42(C)(2) Sandwich Board Signs.

(a) Definitions.

- i. Sandwich Board Sign – A double faced sign, with the two faces connected at the top and spaced at the bottom, so as to form the shape of the letter “A”, and being self-supported on a flat surface, and any similarly self-supported sign including, but not limited to, an A-Frame or Easel sign.

(b) Sandwich Board Signs Permitted. Sandwich Board Signs shall be permitted under the following conditions:

- i. The sign shall be constructed of metal or wood.
- ii. No sign shall be greater than 24” in width and 36” in height.
- iii. Sandwich board signs shall only be permitted while the business displaying it is open. No sandwich board sign shall be permitted for display outside of business hours for the applicable business.
- iv. A rendering of the proposed sandwich board sign shall be submitted to the Building Department with the permit application and must be approved by the Building Department.
- v. No sandwich board sign shall be permitted on the curb line of the property.
- vi. No sandwich board signs shall be placed in any location in any public right of way that would prevent unobstructed use of the public right of way in conformance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

(c) Permit Required.

- i. No person shall engage in the use or placement of a sandwich board sign except upon the granting of a permit by the Building Department pursuant to this chapter and in accordance with the terms and conditions of such permit. The permit application shall take such form as determined by the Building Inspector.

- ii. A permit may be revoked at any time for any violation of this Chapter, any other violation of the Code of the City of Port Jervis, or any violation of applicable New York State or Federal regulations.
- iii. Application for a permit shall be subject to a fee set by Resolution of the Common Council.

(d) Penalties for Offenses.

- i. Any sandwich board sign left on a sidewalk after business hours shall be subject to confiscation by the City of Port Jervis. Return of the sandwich board sign shall be granted only upon payment of a reclamation fee to be set by Resolution of the Common Council.
- ii. The Building Inspector shall have the power to revoke a permit for violation of any provision contained herein.
- iii. Any violation of this section shall also be subject to penalties as set forth in Article I of the City Code of the City of Port Jervis.

In addition, §535-41(B)(9) of the Zoning Law of the City of Port Jervis shall be repealed.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS LOCAL LAW MAY CONFLICT WITH APPLICABLE PORTIONS OF THE CITY LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, IT IS THE STATED INTENTION OF THE CITY TO EXERCISE ITS AUTHORITY TO SUPERSEDE AND AMEND, AS GRANTED UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, SECTION 10. THE CITY HEREBY PROVIDES NOTICE THAT IT IS EXERCISING ITS AUTHORITY TO SUPERSEDE AND AMEND PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SECTION 22.