

CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, APPENDIX A ZONING, ARTICLE XXXIX SIGN CODE, SECTION 39.1 STATEMENT OF PURPOSE, SECTION 39.2 DEFINITIONS, SECTION 39.3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SIGNS IN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS, SECTION 39.4 REQUIRED SIGNS, SECTION 39.5 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT PERMANENT SIGNS, SECTION 39.6 NONRESIDENTIAL DISTRICT PERMANENT SIGNS, SECTION 39.7 TEMPORARY SIGNS, SECTION 39.8 SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS, SECTION 39.9 NUISANCE, SECTION 39.10 UNIFORM SIGN PLAN, SECTION 39.11 IMPROPER SIGNS, SECTION 39.12 REMOVAL OF IMPROPER SIGNS, SECTION 39.13 EMERGENCY REMOVAL OF SIGNS BY CITY, SECTION 39.14 LEGAL NONCONFORMING SIGNS, NONCONFORMING SIGNS, ABANDONED SIGNS, SECTION 39.15 PERMITTING PROCESS, SECTION 39.16 SIGNS EXEMPT FROM PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, SECTION 39.17 PROHIBITED SIGNS, SECTION 39.18 ENFORCEMENT, SECTION 39.19 WAIVERS ; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA:

**SECTION 1:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign Code Section 39.1 Statement of purpose is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 39.1 Statement of purpose.**

The purpose of this article is to create the framework for a comprehensive and balanced system of sign control, thereby facilitating clear and attractive communication

1 between people and their environment. It is the purpose of  
2 this article to control those signs which are intended to  
3 communicate to the ~~off-premises~~ general public and to  
4 authorize the use of signs which are:

5  
6 (a)Compatible with their surroundings.

7  
8 (b)Expressive of the identity of individual  
9 proprietors or of the community as a whole.

10  
11 (c)Legible under the circumstances in which they are  
12 seen.

13  
14 (d)Conducive to promoting traffic safety by preventing  
15 visual distraction.

16  
17 (e)Provide for the aesthetic appearance of the  
18 community and consistency with architecture.

19  
20 (f)Effectively and efficiently communicate the intent  
21 and nature of the city's business community.

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23 **SECTION 2:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
24 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
25 Code Section 39.2 Definitions is hereby amended to read as  
26 follows:  
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28 **Section 39.2 Definitions.**

29 The following words, terms and phrases, when used in  
30 this article shall have the meaning ascribed to them in  
31 this section, except where the context clearly indicated a  
32 different meaning:

33  
34 *Abandoned sign:* A sign which no longer correctly  
35 directs or exhorts any person, advertises a bona fide  
36 business, lessor, owner, product or activity conducted or  
37 available on the premises where such sign is displayed.

38  
39 *Address sign:* A sign listing at least the numerical  
40 prefix of the street address of a building. ~~In certain~~  
41 ~~eases the bay, suite, or unit number must also be included.~~

42  
43 *Advertising:* Any form of public announcement intended  
44 to aid, directly or indirectly, in the sale, use or

1 promotion of a product, commodity, service, person, event,  
2 activity or entertainment.

3  
4 *Advertising balloon:* Any balloon of any size  
5 containing a display of advertising.

6  
7 *A-frame sign, Portable sign, and Sandwich board sign:*  
8 A moveable sign not secured or attached to the ground, but  
9 which is not being carried by an individual, nor moving or  
10 animated in any other fashion.

11  
12 *Animated sign:* A sign which utilizes motion of its  
13 parts by any means or displays flashing, oscillating or  
14 intermittent lights. This also includes the use of animals  
15 or humans for advertising purposes.

16  
17 *Announcing sign:* A sign announcing a project to be  
18 under construction, ~~or~~ an intended use of the premises in  
19 the immediate future, or change of tenant during build out.

20  
21 *Awning sign:* Any A sign placed, which is painted,  
22 printed, sewed or otherwise attached to ~~on~~ the exterior  
23 face of an awning. ~~which is supported entirely from the~~  
24 ~~exterior wall of a building and composed of a non-rigid~~  
25 ~~material except for the supporting framework.~~

26  
27 *Banner or pennant sign:* A sign having characters,  
28 letters or illustrations applied to cloth, paper, flexible  
29 plastic, flexible vinyl or fabric of any kind with only  
30 such material for backing other than those meeting the  
31 definition of a flag.

32  
33 *Bench sign:* Any sign painted on or attached to a  
34 bench.

35  
36 *Billboard:* A sign structure, including signs those  
37 located either on poles, benches, buses, buildings or  
38 structures, that is located in the public right-of-way or  
39 on private property, utilized for advertising an  
40 establishment, an activity, a product, a service or  
41 entertainment, which is sold, produced, manufactured,  
42 available or furnished at a place other than on the  
43 property on which said sign is located.

1            *Blank panel:* ~~An~~ A single color, individual sign panel  
2 with no writing, characters, symbols, letters, numbers or  
3 any design of any kind visible or applied or painted on  
4 either side of the panel, ~~said panel is a single color~~  
5 ~~matching the background color on any applicable approved~~  
6 ~~uniform sign plan. Said panel is designed for easy~~  
7 ~~installation into the cabinet or frame of a monument or~~  
8 ~~cabinet sign in the field without any other alteration to~~  
9 ~~any other portion of the sign's sign face or structure.~~

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11            *Bunting:* Any kind of pennant, streamer or other  
12 similar fabric or flexible plastic.

13  
14            *Cabinet sign:* Any sign, the face of which is enclosed,  
15 bordered, or contained within a box-like structure, frame  
16 or other device.

17  
18            *Canopy:* An ornamental roof-like structure that is not  
19 an integral part of the roof, but rather, is appended to  
20 the building and extends beyond the building or building  
21 line. For purposes of this code, a roof structure over a  
22 gasoline pump or pumps is considered a canopy. ~~In~~  
23 ~~calculating lineal feet of building frontage for purposes~~  
24 ~~of determining wall sign size, canopies shall not be~~  
25 ~~included.~~

26  
27            *Canopy sign:* A sign attached to the face of, ~~or hung~~  
28 ~~from,~~ a canopy or covered structure which projects from, or  
29 is supported by a building, when such canopy or covered  
30 structure extends beyond the building, building lines, or  
31 property line.

32  
33            *Changeable copy sign:* A sign that is designed so that  
34 characters, letters or illustrations can be changed or  
35 rearranged without altering the face or the surface of the  
36 sign. This may be done by using flexible or rigid plastic  
37 letters, ~~or~~ electromagnetic compatibility (EMC), digital,  
38 or LED.

39  
40            *City:* The City of Margate, Florida.

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42            *City ~~m~~Manager:* The ~~e~~City ~~m~~Manager ~~as appointed by the~~  
43 ~~city commission of the City of Margate,~~ of the city  
44 ~~manager's designee.~~

1           *Clubhouse:* A common property to a homeowner's or  
2 condominium association which includes such community  
3 amenities as a swimming pool, meeting place and/or  
4 auditorium.

5  
6           *Clubhouse identification sign:* A sign identifying a  
7 ~~community and/or~~ its clubhouse.

8  
9           *Community bulletin board sign:* A sign ~~with~~ displaying  
10 information of interest to the general public. ~~Such sign~~  
11 ~~shall have all information contained under a locked~~  
12 ~~protective cover.~~

13  
14           *Community identification sign:* A sign identifying a  
15 community.

16  
17           *Complex:* A group or cluster of buildings with a common  
18 access from a dedicated roadway.

19  
20           *Directional sign:* A Any on-premise sign indicating  
21 route of travel for reaching the place or use indicated on  
22 the sign face.

23  
24           *Directory sign:* A sign on which the names and  
25 locations of occupants or the use of a building or site are  
26 given but not advertising the use in any manner.

27  
28           *Door:* An entry equipped with double-pivoted hardware  
29 so designed as to cause a semicounter balanced swing action  
30 when opening. ~~A moveable structure which covers the opening~~  
31 ~~in a building or other structure.~~

32  
33           *Election signs:* Any sign which indicatsed the name,  
34 cause or affiliation of any person seeking office or which  
35 indicatsed any issue or referendum question for which an  
36 election is scheduled to be held. This includes, but is not  
37 limited to, signs advertising candidates, referenda or any  
38 campaign information.

39  
40           *Façade:* That portion of a building encompassing the  
41 area extending in a generally vertical plane from the  
42 ground to the highest point of the building or canopy and  
43 extending in a horizontal plane between the vertical ends  
44 of the structure.

1           Feature car: One or more automobiles situated on a car  
2 lot prominently to highlight product value.  
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4           *Flag:* A sign having characters, letters or  
5 illustrations applied or woven into cloth or fabric with  
6 only such material for backing which depicts the emblem or  
7 insignia of a nation, political subdivision, a corporation  
8 or other entity and which is not intended to convey any  
9 commercial or noncommercial message.

10           *Frontage, building:* The exterior length of a building  
11 or portion thereof designated as a single premises parallel  
12 to a public right-of-way. ~~excluding an alleyway.~~  
13

14           *Frontage, street:* The length of the property line of  
15 any one premises parallel to an along a public right-of-  
16 way. ~~excluding alleyways or along the main drive of an "L"~~  
17 ~~or an "U" shaped plaza.~~  
18

19           *Grade:* The established average level of ground on a  
20 property. ~~as recorded on the subdivision site plan~~  
21 ~~exclusive of mounds and berms.~~  
22

23           *Grand opening event:* Celebration of or event  
24 commencing the opening of a business, held ~~Such event must~~  
25 ~~commence~~ within sixty (60) days of the issuance of the  
26 first Local Business Tax Receipt ~~occupational license~~ or  
27 transfer of an Local Business Tax Receipt ~~occupational~~  
28 ~~license~~ for the business at a location.  
29

30           *Grand opening ground sign:* A temporary sign  
31 constructed by the City of Margate and leased to new  
32 businesses in order to provide additional roadway  
33 visibility during their grand opening.  
34

35           *Grand projecting sign:* A sign, other than a wall sign,  
36 which is attached to a building or other structure, and  
37 extends outward beyond the line of building or structure to  
38 which it is attached.  
39

40           *Height of sign:* Sign height, ~~(which) shall be~~ as  
41 measured from the established grade of the property on  
42 ~~subdivision in~~ which the sign is located or proposed to be  
43 located.  
44

1           *Human sign*: A person wearing a costume or holding a  
2 sign or other display, while outside for the purpose of  
3 advertising a business, product, service, person, event or  
4 issue.

5  
6           *Identification sign*: A sign used to identify a place,  
7 location, building or name.

8  
9           *Illuminated Identification sign*: A sign with an  
10 internally or externally illuminated light source which  
11 makes the message on the sign readable. ~~Any sign having~~  
12 ~~characters, letters, figures, designs, or outlines~~  
13 ~~illuminated by electric lights or luminous tubes designed~~  
14 ~~for that purpose, whether or not said lights or tubes are~~  
15 ~~physically attached to the sign.~~

16           *Illumination, external*: An exterior shielded light  
17 source such as ground lights, spot lights or other similar  
18 lighting that projects the light onto the sign face.

19  
20           *Illumination, internal* ~~*Internal illumination*~~: A light  
21 source concealed or contained within the sign which becomes  
22 visible by shining through a translucent surface.

23  
24           *Logo*: A symbol, emblem, trademark or graphic device  
25 which has been registered or trademarked with the State of  
26 Florida or U.S. Government and is used as a badge or  
27 identity to represent an organization, corporation or  
28 business to identify said entities' property or products.

29  
30           *Logotype*: The use of a stylized font ~~front~~ in a word  
31 or words that has been designed to create a unique identity  
32 or trademark for an organization, corporation or business  
33 and which has been registered with the State of Florida or  
34 U.S. Government.

35  
36           *Mansard roof*: A four-sided gambrel-style hip roof  
37 characterized by two slopes on each of its sides with the  
38 lower slope, punctured by windows, at a steeper angle than  
39 the upper slope. ~~A false roof projecting over the front or~~  
40 ~~side of a building.~~

41  
42           *Model Sign*: A sign which designates a particular  
43 dwelling unit design which is not for sale or rent, but  
44 rather represents other units of a similar design that are  
45 for sale or rent.

1  
2 Monument sign: A sign which is attached to a self-  
3 supporting structure, has vertical sides from base of the  
4 sign face to the ground level, has a sign face that is no  
5 more than six (6) inches wider on either side than the sign  
6 structure, has a concealed means of support and is not  
7 attached or affixed in any way to a building or other  
8 structure., and ~~said sign also~~ has no clearance between the  
9 ground and the ~~top~~ bottom of the sign.

10  
11 Multi-tenant center: Any shopping center, office  
12 center or business center in which two (2) or more  
13 occupancies abut each other or share common parking  
14 facilities or driveways or are otherwise related.

15  
16 Nameplate sign: A sign indicating the name, and/or  
17 profession or address of a person or persons residing on  
18 the premises or legally occupying the premises.

19  
20 Nonconforming sign: A sign which was legally  
21 constructed and maintained under laws or regulations in  
22 effect at the time of construction which does not conform  
23 with the provisions of this article. ~~A sign or advertising~~  
24 ~~structure existing within the city limits on the effective~~  
25 ~~date of the ordinance from which this subdivision [section]~~  
26 ~~was derived or a sign or advertising structure existing in~~  
27 ~~an area annexed to the city which, by its height, type,~~  
28 ~~content, square foot area, location, use or structural~~  
29 ~~support does not conform to the requirements of this~~  
30 ~~chapter [article].~~

31  
32 Nonprofit sale sign: A sign advertising a sale  
33 benefiting a city sponsored or a city-based nonprofit  
34 organization, (i.e. Halloween pumpkin sale, fireworks sale,  
35 Christmas tree sale).

36  
37 ~~Nonresidential district: For purposes of this code,~~  
38 ~~all districts in the City of Margate prefixed by a "B,"~~  
39 ~~"M," "CF," "S" designation as well as business areas of PUD~~  
40 ~~districts shall be considered nonresidential districts.~~

41  
42 Off-premises sign: Any sign that is advertising or  
43 indicating the location of a product, service, business or  
44 other activity that is located or conducted elsewhere than  
45 on the premises on which the sign is located. ~~Any sign~~

1 ~~other than a sign that meets the definition of an on-~~  
2 ~~premises sign and which does not meet any other more~~  
3 ~~specific definition as provided in this section.~~  
4

5 *On-premises sign:* Any sign identifying or advertising  
6 a business, person, activity, goods, product or service  
7 located on the premises where the sign is installed and  
8 maintained. ~~An on-premises sign may also allow any other~~  
9 ~~noncommercial message where all other sections of this code~~  
10 ~~are complied with.~~  
11

12 *Opinion sign:* A sign which indicates d a belief  
13 concerning an issue, name, cause, or affiliation which is  
14 not scheduled for an election. This includes, but is not  
15 limited to, signs advertising political parties, or any  
16 political information.  
17

18 *Outdoor public telephone:* For purposes of this sign  
19 code, any exterior telephone located either freestanding or  
20 affixed to a building which is intended for use by the  
21 general public. This definition is also to include any  
22 structure which is intended for the purpose of supporting  
23 said telephone.  
24

25 *Parapet or parapet wall:* That portion of the building  
26 that rises above the roof d level.  
27

28 *Pennants:* See "Banner and pennant signs."  
29

30 *Permanent sign:* Any sign which, when installed, is  
31 intended for permanent use. For the purposes of this  
32 chapter [article], any sign with an intended use in excess  
33 of twelve (12) months from the date of installation shall  
34 be deemed a permanent sign.  
35

36 *Personal gain sign:* Any sign advertising for personal  
37 gain on residential property; ~~for example,~~ (i.e. a garage,  
38 yard or patio sale sign.)  
39

40 *Pole sign:* A permanent sign erected upon a pole or  
41 poles and which is wholly independent of any building or  
42 other structure for support.  
43

44 *Portable sign:* Any sign not permanently attached to  
45 the ground or building.

1  
2       *Premises:* A tract of real property in a single  
3 ownership which is not divided by a public street or right-  
4 of-way. The real property considered a unit.  
5

6       *Project:* A group or cluster of buildings with a  
7 common access from a dedicated roadway.  
8

9       ~~*Project sign:* A sign which identifies the construction~~  
10 ~~of a building, structure or group thereof.~~  
11

12       *Projecting sign:* A sign attached to and supported by a  
13 building or other structure and which extends at any angle  
14 therefrom.  
15

16       *Public hearing sign:* A sign announcing the date, time,  
17 and location of where an issue of law or fact is brought  
18 forth to the decision-making body.  
19

20       *Public interest sign:* A noncommercial sign,  
21 permanently erected and maintained by the city, county,  
22 state, or any agency thereof, to denote the name of any  
23 thoroughfare; ~~the route to any city, facility~~ educational  
24 institution, public building, park, recreational facility  
25 or hospital; to direct and regulate traffic; or, to denote  
26 any transportation or transmission company for the safety  
27 of the public.  
28

29       ~~*Outdoor public telephone:* For purposes of this sign~~  
30 ~~code, any exterior telephone located either freestanding or~~  
31 ~~affixed to a building which is intended for use by the~~  
32 ~~general public. This definition is also to include any~~  
33 ~~structure which is intended for the purpose of supporting~~  
34 ~~said telephone.~~  
35

36       *Promotional advertising banner:* a sign placed on a  
37 permanent pole being used on a rotating basis to provide  
38 greater visibility to multi-tenant developments.  
39

40       *Real estate sign:* A sign erected by the owner, or his  
41 agent, indicating property which is for rent, sale or  
42 lease.  
43

44       *Rear identification sign:* The rear is that portion of  
45 the building containing the service or secondary service

1 entrance that is not one the same building side as a  
2 customer entrance.  
3

4 *Replaceable tenant panel:* An individual sign panel  
5 with the name of a single tenant of a multi-tenant complex  
6 or the name of the multi-tenant complex for use in a  
7 monument sign of a multi-tenant complex where said panel is  
8 designed for easy installation into the monument sign's  
9 cabinet or frame in the field without any other alteration  
10 to any other portion of the monument sign's sign face or  
11 structure.  
12

13 ~~*Residential district:* For purposes of this code, all~~  
14 ~~zoning districts within the City of Margate prefixed with~~  
15 ~~an "R," or "T" designation as well as PRC districts and~~  
16 ~~residential areas of PUD districts shall be considered~~  
17 ~~residential districts.~~  
18

19 *Roof sign:* A sign erected over or on the roof, or  
20 extending above the roof line, which is dependent upon the  
21 roof, parapet or upper walls of any building, or portion  
22 thereof, for support.  
23

24 ~~*Sandwich or sidewalk sign:* A moveable sign not secured~~  
25 ~~or attached to the ground, but which is not being carried~~  
26 ~~by an individual, nor moving or animated in any other~~  
27 ~~fashion.~~  
28

29 *Sign:* A device, structure or representation for visual  
30 communication that is used for the purposes of bringing the  
31 subject thereof to the attention of the general public. For  
32 the purposes of removal, "sign" shall also include all sign  
33 structures.  
34

35 *Sign area:* The square foot area enclosed by the  
36 perimeter of the sign structure. When a sign is composed of  
37 individual letters, symbols or logos only, the sign area is  
38 the area enclosed by a perimeter line (forming a single  
39 rectangle) enclosing all letters, symbols and logos;  
40 however, no sign shall have a distance greater than three  
41 (3) feet between symbols, logos, letters, or numbers. ~~When~~  
42 ~~a sign is a~~ For monument signs, the square foot area from  
43 the ground, excluding first twelve (12) inches, to the  
44 maximum height times width is the sign area.  
45

1           *Sign code inspector:* ~~The~~ A code inspector, ~~the~~ a code  
2 inspector's designated representative, or any other  
3 individual designated by the city manager to enforce the  
4 provisions of this sign code.

5  
6           *Sign face:* The part of the structure that is intended  
7 primarily for or can be utilized for communication  
8 purposes. The sign face shall include any area of the sign  
9 that is internally illuminated.

10  
11           *Site:* A parcel, ~~of land consisting of a~~ lot, tract,  
12 ~~parcel~~ or other unit of land recorded in the public records  
13 of Broward County, or combinations thereof, and having a  
14 common development scheme presented to the city as a single  
15 project whether simultaneously or in phases.

16  
17           *Snipe sign:* A sign which is tacked, nailed, posted,  
18 pasted, glued or otherwise attached to trees, poles, wire  
19 or wood stakes, or fences, or to other objects with a ~~the~~  
20 message appearing thereon.

21  
22           *Special event sign:* A sign identifying a temporary  
23 event, other than a sale of goods, being held in the city  
24 by a city sponsored, city based nonprofit organization, or  
25 announcing a city approved promotional activity sponsored  
26 by the owner or agent of a property and being located on  
27 the site of the event (i.e. a parade, festival).

28  
29           *Structure:* That which is built or constructed.  
30 ~~Anything constructed or erected which requires location on~~  
31 ~~the ground or which is attached to an object having a~~  
32 ~~location on the ground.~~

33  
34           ~~*Subdivision grade:* Grade of the land as indicated on a~~  
35 ~~recorded subdivision site plan exclusive of any mounds or~~  
36 ~~berms.~~

37  
38           *Subdivision identification sign:* A sign designating a  
39 recorded subdivision, residential complex or neighborhood  
40 with definable boundaries.

41  
42           *Symbol:* A sign, design, character, or other such  
43 representation used to signify a use or activity, rather  
44 than an organization or corporation.

1           *Temporary sign:* Any sign other than a window sign  
2 intended for use not permanent in nature. For the purposes  
3 of this chapter [article] any sign with an intended use of  
4 twelve (12) months or less shall be deemed a "temporary  
5 sign."

6  
7           *Under awning sign or under canopy sign:* A horizontal  
8 hanging sign that is pedestrian-oriented and is suspended  
9 beneath a canopy or awning over a pedestrian walkway and  
10 not visible outside the canopy area.

11  
12           *Uniform sign plan:* A plan for all signage for  
13 properties with more than two (2) businesses utilizing  
14 signage. The plan sets forth standards for uniform sign  
15 type area, letter style, letter height, colors, etc. (See  
16 section 39.10 (+).)

17  
18           ~~*Use related information sign:* A sign which relates to~~  
19 ~~an activity on the premises upon which it is located.~~

20  
21           *Vehicle sign:* Any sign or signs permanently or  
22 temporarily affixed to or painted on a transportation  
23 vehicle, including, but not limited to automobiles, trucks,  
24 boats, trailers, or campers, for the primary purpose of  
25 identification, advertisement, sales, or directing the  
26 public to a business, person, event or activity located on  
27 the same or another property, or any other premises.

28  
29           *Wall sign:* A sign which is affixed ~~approximately~~  
30 ~~parallel~~ to and supported by ~~any~~ wall or other enclosure.

31  
32           *Wayfinding sign:* A sign with symbols, text, maps, or  
33 other similar graphics that are used to convey location and  
34 directions to travelers.

35  
36           *Window:* For purposes of this section a window is a set  
37 of contiguous panels of glass or other transparent material  
38 separated by dividers six (6) inches or smaller.

39  
40           *Window sign, interior:* A sign located on the inside of  
41 a window or within ten (10) feet of window or enclosed  
42 structure which is visible from the exterior through a  
43 window or other opening.

1 Window sign, exterior: A sign affixed or applied to  
2 the exterior of a window.

3  
4 **SECTION 3:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
5 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
6 Code Section 39.3 General requirements for signs in all  
7 zoning districts is hereby amended to read as follows:  
8

9 **Section 39.3 General requirements for signs in all zoning**  
10 **districts.**

11  
12 ~~Section. 39.3.1. Construction requirements.~~

13  
14 (~~Aa~~) ~~Compliance with building code.~~ All signs shall comply  
15 with the construction and installation requirements of  
16 the Florida Building Code. ~~relating to construction and~~  
17 ~~installation.~~

18  
19 (~~Bb~~) All structural, electrical, and mechanical members  
20 utilized in the construction, erection and operation of  
21 signs shall be concealed except for vertical supports or  
22 other supporting members which are designed and arranged  
23 so as to be an integral part of the aesthetic  
24 composition of a sign.

25  
26 (~~Cc~~) ~~Permanent signs shall not utilize more than five (5)~~  
27 ~~three (3) colors including a background color. Temporary~~  
28 ~~signs shall not utilize more than five (5) three (3)~~  
29 ~~colors. For the purpose of this section, white, black,~~  
30 ~~neutral bronze or the color of the building on which the~~  
31 ~~signs are affixed shall not be considered colors for~~  
32 ~~sign structures. white and black shall not be considered~~  
33 ~~color.~~ When a logo or logotype is used, the logo or  
34 logotype may be comprised of the colors as appropriately  
35 registered or trademarked with the State of Florida or  
36 U.S. Government. ~~For the purposes of calculating the~~  
37 ~~number of colors of a sign, structures of signs when~~  
38 ~~white, black, neutral bronze or the color of the~~  
39 ~~building on which they are affixed shall not be~~  
40 ~~considered.~~

41  
42 (~~Dd~~) All wood permitted to be used, whether for new  
43 permanent signs, for replacement of existing permanent  
44 signs, or for any part thereof, shall be rot and termite  
45 resistant, through open-cell preservation methods as

1 specified by the American Wood Preservation Association,  
2 or by any other open-cell preservation treatment  
3 approved by the ~~Building~~ Department.  
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5 (~~E~~) No face jumping or wires visibly connected to  
6 individual letters shall be permitted.  
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8 (~~F~~) Interior angle of V-shaped signs shall be no greater  
9 than thirty (30) degrees.  
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11 (~~G~~) All signs permitted by this code shall be  
12 professionally drawn and constructed.  
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14 (~~H~~) Location of the sign ~~is~~ shall not ~~to~~ interfere with  
15 public alarms, signals or signs. No sign or support  
16 shall be placed in such a position or manner as to  
17 obstruct or interfere, either physically or visually,  
18 with any fire alarm, police alarm, traffic signal or  
19 sign or any devices maintained by or under public  
20 authority.  
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22 (~~I~~) No signs, except interior window signs, shall not be  
23 constructed of cardboard or any other paper products.  
24 ~~except interior window signs.~~  
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26 (~~J~~) All letters or ~~of~~ symbols two (2) inches or larger on  
27 permanent identification signs must extrude or intrude  
28 into the sign face a minimum of three-eighths (3/8) of  
29 an inch. Signs which are nonconforming due to this  
30 requirement only shall not be subject to section  
31 39.14.5(~~E~~) of this sign code. The following signs shall  
32 be exempt from this requirement:  
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34 (~~1~~) Window signs;

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36 (~~2~~) Identification signs located on a structure in an  
37 M-1 or M-1A zoned property which do not face Banks  
38 Road, Copans Road, Royal Palm Boulevard, or US  
39 441/State Road 7;  
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41 (~~3~~) Replacement tenant panels on multi-tenant monument  
42 signs and cabinet signs;  
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44 (4) Address block signs;  
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1                   (5)Rear identification signs.

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3       (K\*)All signs must be installed perpendicular (at a 90-  
4       degree angle) to level earth.

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6       (L±)At all intersections of a private driveway with a  
7       public right-of-way, no sign, except temporary signs no  
8       greater than three (3) feet in height, shall be  
9       permitted within the triangular area formed by the chord  
10      connecting twenty-five (25) feet from the intersection  
11      of the right-of-way line and a perpendicular line formed  
12      by the outer edge of the driveway pavement.

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14      (Mm)At all intersections of public rights-of-way, no sign,  
15      except temporary signs no greater than three (3) feet in  
16      height, shall be permitted within the triangular area  
17      formed by the chord connecting thirty-five (35) feet  
18      from the intersection of the right-of-way lines or  
19      tangent extensions thereof.

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21      ~~Section 39.3.2. Landscaping.~~

22           ~~A planting bed at least two (2) feet in width shall~~  
23      ~~surround any monument and/or freestanding sign. This bed~~  
24      ~~shall contain mulch and ground covers, shall be irrigated,~~  
25      ~~and shall be shown on the site plan and/or any sign permit~~  
26      ~~application for said sign. Said ground covers shall be~~  
27      ~~located in the ground, shall not be permitted in a~~  
28      ~~flowerbox or other such device, and shall be maintained to~~  
29      ~~a maximum height of twelve (12) inches.~~

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31           **SECTION 4:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
32      Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
33      Code Section 39.4 Required signs for signs in all zoning  
34      districts is hereby amended to read as follows:  
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36      **Section 39.4 Required signs.**

37           The following signs must be placed where relevant:

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39      (Aa)Fire lane markings, no smoking, locked doors, blocked,  
40      apartment identification, not an exit, warning signs at

1 gasoline stations and others as may be prescribed by the  
2 fire marshal.

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4 ~~(B)~~ Handicapped parking signs and other signs in accordance  
5 with state requirements.  
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7 ~~(C)~~ As a condition for receiving a certificate of occupancy  
8 or Local Business Tax Receipt, ~~occupational license or~~  
9 ~~permitted use~~, the correct street address shall be  
10 permanently placed on the front of the building,  
11 storefront or bay and easily recognized at all times.  
12 ~~All non-residential buildings shall have an address sign~~  
13 ~~on the rear door. Additionally, a~~ All address signs shall  
14 have minimum three-inch letters and a maximum of eight-  
15 inch letters. Buildings backing on a public right-of-way  
16 shall also display an address sign in a conspicuous  
17 location. ~~Single family homes are exempt from this rear~~  
18 ~~address sign provision.~~ The color of street address  
19 letters shall be of opposing contrast to its background.  
20 Buildings backing on a public right-of-way shall also  
21 display an address sign in a conspicuous location.  
22 Additionally, all non-residential buildings shall have  
23 an address sign on the rear door.  
24

25 ~~(D)~~ (1) A public hearing sign special sign, professionally  
26 ~~prepared to standards contained in the Office of the~~  
27 ~~Director of the Department of Environmental and~~  
28 ~~Engineering Services, shall be posted by the petitioner~~  
29 ~~when petitions are made for quasi-judicial land use~~  
30 ~~determinations or amendments to the future land use map~~  
31 ~~application of the Margate Comprehensive Plan regarding~~  
32 ~~specific parcels. (This shall include any administrative~~  
33 ~~appeals to the eCity eCommission notwithstanding the~~  
34 ~~fact that the petitioner is not the person or entity~~  
35 ~~appealing.) Petitioners shall be required to~~  
36 ~~professionally prepare to standards contained in the~~  
37 ~~office of the director of the department of~~  
38 ~~environmental and engineering services, and post signs~~  
39 shall be single-faced, four-foot by four-foot (4x4),  
40 sign(s) with black lettering on a white background. ~~on~~  
41 ~~the property proposed for such public hearing. The sign~~  
42 ~~shall be installed on the property proposed for the~~  
43 public hearing seven (7) days prior to the public  
44 hearing and shall contain the following language:  
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1 "A public hearing concerning the (petition to be  
2 heard) of this property will be held by the (insert  
3 name of Board or Commission as appropriate) of the  
4 City of Margate at (time, place and date). Call (954)  
5 972-6454 ~~(954) 972-0828~~ for further information."  
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7 (2)The petition category, date of hearing and  
8 information number shall be displayed in bold font a  
9 minimum of six (6) inches in height. Signs shall be  
10 posted on the property proposed for the hearing facing  
11 all road frontages, and shall be set back five (5) feet  
12 from the property line, and top of sign shall be six (6)  
13 feet above grade. The petitioner shall submit a dated  
14 photograph of all signs to the Economic Development  
15 Department ~~department of environmental and engineering~~  
16 services.  
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18 (3)Petitioner shall execute a public hearing sign bond  
19 agreement acknowledging that the above sign shall be  
20 removed within two (2) business days following a final  
21 determination on the matter, or if said sign is not  
22 removed in two (2) days, that the petitioner, on behalf  
23 of the owners of the property, authorize the  
24 administration of the City of Margate to remove said  
25 sign, and forfeiting the bond fee.  
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27 (4)In the event that a hearing as provided for in this  
28 section is continued, then petitioner is required within  
29 seventy-two (72) hours of the order of continuance to  
30 either:  
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32 (a)Post a new sign, as provided for in this section,  
33 at a time designated by the tabling body; or  
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35 (b)Amend time, place and date on the existing sign(s)  
36 such that it evidences the meeting as provided for  
37 by the order of continuance as determined by the  
38 tabling body. ~~Petitioner shall execute an~~  
39 ~~agreement which shall provide that the above sign~~  
40 ~~shall be removed within two (2) business days~~  
41 ~~following a final determination on the matter, or~~  
42 ~~if said sign is not removed in two (2) days, that~~  
43 ~~the petitioner, on behalf of the owners of the~~  
44 ~~property, authorize the administration of the City~~  
45 ~~of Margate to remove said sign, billing the costs~~

1 ~~of the removal of the sign to the owner of the~~  
2 ~~property.~~

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4 ~~Ne~~ All zoning map amendments, special exception uses,  
5 variances, waivers, or other matters that require public  
6 hearings, pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall  
7 be denied automatically unless all portions of this section  
8 have been complied with, prior to the public hearing.  
9 ~~including the removal of signs provided herein, or the~~  
10 ~~payments of the cost of removal of same to the City of~~  
11 ~~Margate.~~

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13 ~~All zoning map amendments, special exception uses,~~  
14 ~~variances, waivers, or other matters that require public~~  
15 ~~hearings, pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall~~  
16 ~~be effective until all portions of this section have been~~  
17 ~~complied with, including the removal of signs provided~~  
18 ~~herein, or the payments of the cost of removal of same to~~  
19 ~~the City of Margate.~~

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21 ~~All zoning map amendments, special exception uses,~~  
22 ~~variances, waivers, or other matters that require public~~  
23 ~~hearings, pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall~~  
24 ~~be denied automatically unless all portions of this section~~  
25 ~~have been complied with, including the removal of signs~~  
26 ~~within forty-eight (48) hours. (A denial based upon the~~  
27 ~~proceeding shall not prejudice an applicant to reapply for~~  
28 ~~an approval at a later date.)~~

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30 **SECTION 5:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
31 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
32 Code Section 39.5 Residential district permanent signs for  
33 signs in all zoning districts is hereby amended to read as  
34 follows:  
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36 **Section 39.5 Residential district permanent signs.**

37 The following signs are authorized in all residential  
38 districts, including residential areas contained within PUD  
39 and PRC, and TOC zones. All signs permitted and approved  
40 prior to January 8, 1997, are exempt from the requirements  
41 of section 39.14.5(E) of this code but not from the  
42 regulations of any other section:

43  
44 (A) Address block sign:  
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1           (1) Number maximum: One (1) per major neighborhood  
2           entrance

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4           (2) Location: The sign shall be located at the  
5           intersection of two roadways.

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7           (3) Setback minimum: 2 feet

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9           (4) Area maximum: six (6) square feet per each sign

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11           (5) Height maximum: seven (7) feet from base of sign

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13           (6) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines

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16           (B) Subdivision identification sign:

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18           (1) Number maximum: 1 monument or 2 entrance wall signs  
19           (if symmetrical to one another) per entrance

20           (2) Location: Must be located on common property near  
21           said entrances

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23           (3) Setback minimum: 5 feet from right-of-way or placed  
24           on subdivision perimeter wall

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26           (4) Sign copy area maximum: 32 square feet per sign  
27           face and an aggregate area of 64 square feet

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29           (5) Height maximum: 7 ½ feet above established grade

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31           (6) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines

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33           (7) Letter height maximum: 18 inches

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35           (C) Clubhouse identification sign:

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37           (1) Number maximum: 1 monument or 1 entrance wall sign

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39           (2) Location: Must be located on common property near  
40           said entrance

41  
42           (3) Setback minimum: 5 feet from right-of-way or placed  
43           on clubhouse wall

1 (4) Sign copy area maximum: 32 square feet per sign  
2 copy including border

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4 (5) Height maximum: 7 ½ feet above established grade

5  
6 (6) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines

7  
8 (7) Letter height maximum: 18 inches

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10  
11 (D) Multi-family identification signs:

12  
13 (1) Number maximum: 1 wall sign

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15 (2) Area maximum: 20 square feet

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17 (3) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines

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19 (4) Letter height: 18 inches

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21 (b) These signs are available to multifamily buildings  
22 greater than 5 units that are not part of a larger  
23 complex.

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26 (E) General information signs:

27  
28 (1) Area maximum: 4 square feet

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30 (2) Height maximum: 6 feet

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32 (3) No advertising copy

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34 (4) Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with  
35 size, color, copy and other regulations contained  
36 the regulating statutes.

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39 (F) Directional signs:

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41 (1) Area maximum: 4 square feet

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43 (2) Height maximum: 4 feet

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45 (3) No advertising copy

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(G) Model signs:

(1) Model office lot

(a) Number maximum: 1 sign

(b) Area maximum: 24 square feet

(2) Model lot

(a) Number maximum: 1 sign on each model lot

(b) Area maximum: 8 square feet

(3) Model directional signs

(a) Number maximum: 3 per development

(b) Area maximum: 4 square feet per each sign

(4) Model signs may only be utilized while a unit is being actively used as a non-dwelling model. Once the last model is inhabited, signs are no longer permitted at the model office.

<u>Subdivision or clubhouse identification sign:</u>	
<u>Number maximum<sup>†</sup></u>	<u>1 monument or entrance wall sign or 2 entrance wall signs (if symmetrical to one another) per entrance or clubhouse</u>
<u>Location</u>	<u>Must be located on common property near said entrances or at a clubhouse</u>
<u>Sign copy area maximum</u>	<u>32 (-) square feet for sign copy including border</u>
<u>Height Maximum</u>	<u>7½ feet (90 inches) above subdivision grade including any berm or mound</u>
<u>Setback minimum</u>	<u>5 feet</u>
<u>Letter Height Maximum</u>	<u>18 inches</u>
<u>Lines of copy</u>	<u>2 lines</u>

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<i>Multi family identification signs:</i>	
Number maximum	<del>1 wall sign</del>
Area maximum	<del>20 ( ) square feet</del>
Letter height maximum	<del>18 inches</del>
Lines of copy maximum	<del>2 lines</del>
Other regulations	<del>Available to multifamily buildings with greater than 5 units that are not part of a larger complex</del>
<i>General information signs:</i>	
Height maximum	<del>6 feet</del>
Area maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Other regulations	<del>No advertising copy</del>
	<del>Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with size, color, copy and other regulations contained in the regulating statutes</del>
<i>Directional signs:</i>	
Height maximum	<del>4 feet</del>
Area Maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Other regulations	<del>No advertising copy</del>
<i>Model signs:</i>	
Number maximum	<del>1 on each model lot or model office lot</del>
Area maximum	
Model office lot	<del>24 ( ) square feet</del>
Model lot	<del>8 square feet</del>
Model directional signs	<del>3 per development not to exceed 4 square feet each</del>
Duration of use	<del>Model signs may only be utilized for as long as a model is used as a non-dwelling model. When</del>

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**SECTION 6:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign Code Section 39.6 Nonresidential district permanent signs for signs in all zoning districts is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 39.6 Nonresidential district permanent signs.**

~~Table 2 authorizes the~~ The following signs are permitted in nonresidential districts as well as business areas of PUD and TOC districts. Any development may have any combination of signs within this section unless otherwise restricted.

(A) Identification monument sign:

(1) Location: Monument signs shall not be permitted within 100 feet of any other monument sign along the same direction of travel of a right-of-way.

(2) Setback minimum:

- (a) 5 feet from right-of-way
- (b) 10 feet from any interior property line

(3) Area maximum:

- (a) 96 square feet for projects with at least eight (8) tenants and one tenant space at least 25,000 square feet.
- (b) 72 square feet for all multi-tenant buildings
- (c) 49 square feet for all single occupant free standing building
- (d) The first twelve (12) inches of a monument sign protruding up from the ground shall not be counted toward the total sign area.

(4) Sign face area maximum: 75% of the total sign structure area

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2 **(5) Height maximum:**  
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4 (a) 13 feet above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to  
5 the sign for projects with at least eight (8)  
6 tenants and one tenant space at least 25,000  
7 square feet  
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9 (b) 10 feet above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to  
10 the sign for all other multi-tenant (72 square  
11 feet) signs  
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13 (c) 9 feet above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to  
14 the sign for single occupant (49 square feet)  
15 signs  
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17 **(6) Width maximum: 8 feet**  
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19 **(7) Address:**  
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21 (a) All signs must display address of complex in  
22 numbers at least 6 inches high, but not more  
23 than twelve (12) inches, located at the top of  
24 each side of the monument sign  
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26 (b) Address shall not be calculated in the total  
27 sign face area when located on an area that  
28 would not otherwise be calculated as part of the  
29 sign face area.  
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31 (c) In addition to the above required address  
32 display, the address may also be displayed  
33 vertically along the structural side of a  
34 monument sign which is perpendicular to a right-  
35 of-way.  
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**(8) Landscaping:**

37 (a) A planting bed at least two (2) feet in width  
38 shall surround any monument and/or freestanding  
39 sign.

40 (b) This bed shall contain mulch and ground covers,  
41 shall be irrigated, and shall be shown on the

1 site plan and/or any sign permit application for  
2 said sign.

3 (c) Said ground covers shall be located in the  
4 ground, shall not be permitted in a flowerbox or  
5 other such device, and shall be maintained to a  
6 maximum height of twelve (12) inches.

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8 (B) Main identification wall sign:

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10 (1) Number maximum:

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12 (a) One 1 sign located on a side with right-of-way  
13 frontage or frontage on the main circulation  
14 route of a multi-tenant shopping center.

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16 (b) If no frontage as previously listed exists, the  
17 occupancy will be allowed 1 sign.

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19 (c) One (1) additional sign will be allowed per  
20 occupancy if an occupancy has two identical  
21 storefronts, one in front and one in rear where  
22 both storefronts either have right-of-way  
23 frontage or frontage on a main circulation route  
24 of a multi-tenant shopping center.

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26 (2) Location: Ground-level occupancy where said  
27 occupancy has its own direct customer/client  
28 entrance from the exterior of the building.

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30 (3) Area maximum: 1 square foot per lineal foot of  
31 building frontage

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33 (a) In calculating lineal feet of building frontage  
34 for purposes of determining wall sign size,  
35 canopies shall not be included.

36  
37 (4) Height maximum: Top of façade or wall

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39 (5) Height minimum: 9 feet

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41 (6) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines

1           (7) Signs installed flat on building may not extend  
2           over a mansard, signs installed on mansard may not  
3           extend over edge of mansard  
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6           (C) Secondary identification wall sign:  
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8           (1) Number maximum: 1 sign per side (other than that on  
9           which the main identification wall sign exists)  
10           with right-of-way frontage, frontage on the main  
11           circulation route of a multi-tenant shopping  
12           center, façade facing oncoming traffic on near side  
13           of adjacent major roadway, or has high visibility  
14           from a major roadway and does not conflict with  
15           neighboring properties. Signs shall be posted on  
16           the wall with said frontage.  
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18           (2) Location: Only available for occupancies that are  
19           allowed a main identification wall sign. Building  
20           rear is excluded from having secondary  
21           identification wall sign.  
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23           (3) Area maximum: 1.0 square foot for each linear foot  
24           of building frontage not to exceed size of main  
25           identification wall sign  
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27           (4) Height maximum: Top of façade or wall  
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29           (5) Height minimum: 9 feet  
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31           (6) Length maximum: 100% of main identification wall  
32           sign or 75% of building frontage whichever is less  
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34           (7) Lines of copy maximum: 2 lines  
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36           (8) Signs installed flat on building may not extend  
37           over a mansard, signs installed on mansard may not  
38           extend over edge of mansard  
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41           (D) Rear identification sign:  
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43           (1) Number maximum: 1 sign per occupancy  
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1           (2) Location: The sign may be wall mounted and needs to  
2           either be located on or within three (3) feet of a  
3           service or secondary entrance.  
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6           (E) Building identification wall sign:  
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8           (1) Number maximum: 2 signs per building, based on the  
9           limitation of (2) Location, below.  
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11           (2) Location:  
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13                   (a) Building frontages facing corridor or regional  
14                   arterial roadways  
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16                   (b) Installed within five (5) feet of the top of  
17                   the façade and no less than twenty (20) feet  
18                   above the established grade.  
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20                   (c) Not permitted above the main roofline of a  
21                   building.  
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23           (3) Area maximum: 0.5 square foot for each linear foot  
24           of building frontage not to exceed size of main  
25           identification wall sign  
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27           (4) Height maximum: Tope of façade or wall  
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29           (5) Length maximum: Fifty (50) per cent of the building  
30           frontage on which they are installed  
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32                   (a) Twenty-four (24) inches for one- and two-story  
33                   buildings  
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35                   (b) An additional six (6) inches of letter height  
36                   shall be permitted for each additional story.  
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38           (6) Signs installed flat on building may not extend  
39           over a mansard, signs installed on mansard may not  
40           extend over edge of mansard  
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43           (F) General information signs:  
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45           (1) Area maximum: 4 square feet

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2 (2) Height maximum: 6 feet

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4 (3) Property owners may allow the labeling of  
5 individual parking spaces for use by customers or  
6 employees of an individual business or group of  
7 businesses.

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9 (4) No advertising copy.

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11 (5) Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with  
12 size, color, copy and other regulations contained  
13 in the regulating statutes.

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16 (G) Directional signs:

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18 (1) Area maximum: 4 square feet

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20 (2) Height maximum: 4 feet

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22 (3) No advertising copy.

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24 (4) Permitted on properties that have multiple tenants,  
25 more than one (1) entrance, or a drive-thru  
26 facility.

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28 (4) Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with  
29 size, color, copy and other regulations contained  
30 in the regulating statutes.

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33 (H) Under awning and canopy identification sign:

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35 (1) Number maximum: 1 per establishment (corner  
36 storefront may be permitted one (1) per side)

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38 (2) Location: Positioned ninety (90) degrees to façade,  
39 rigidly attached, and is centered in the area under  
40 the awning or canopy

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42 (2) Area maximum: 4 square feet

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44 (3) Maximum letter height: 10 inches

1           (4) **Minimum clearance:** 9 feet

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3           (5) Sign may be internally illuminated provided the sign  
4           is "cabinet" in style

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6           (6) Signs shall not be permitted where blade signs are  
7           utilized.

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9           (7) Signs are not subject to the requirements of section  
10           39.3.(J)

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12           (8) Gasoline station signs subject to section 39.8.3

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15           (I) *Awning sign:*

16           (1) **Number maximum:** 1 per establishment

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18           (2) **Location:** Awning valance, awning face or awning  
19           side

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21           (3) **Area maximum:** Fifty (50) per cent of total awning  
22           area

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24           (4) Awning signs are not required to comply with  
25           subsection 39.3.(J).

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29           (J) *Site directory sign:*

30           (1) **Number maximum:** 1 per multi-building project

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32           (2) **Location:** On a wall or freestanding in courtyard

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34           (3) **Area maximum:** Total sign area to be no more than 32  
35           square feet

36                   (a) 12 square feet for complex identification  
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38                   (b) 20 square feet for tenant identification  
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41           (4) **Height maximum:** 6 feet from base of building  
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1                    (5) Letter height Maximum:

2                    (a) 15 inches for complex identification portion

3                    (b) 8 inches for tenant identification portion

4                    (6) No advertising copy.

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10                  (K) Building directory sign:

11                    (1) Number maximum:

12                    (a) 1 per building less than 20,000 square feet

13                    (b) 2 per building 20,000 square feet or greater

14                    (2) Location: On building wall

15                    (3) Area maximum: Total sign area to be no more than 10  
16                    square; sign may not be more than 4 feet in height

17                    (4) Letter height maximum: 6 inches for building  
18                    identification

19                    (5) No advertising copy.

20                    (6) Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with  
21                    size, color, copy and other regulations contained  
22                    in the regulating statutes.

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32                  (L) Blade sign:

33                    (1) Number maximum: One (1) per ground-floor occupancy  
34                    for each thirty (30) feet of building frontage

35                    (a) Fractional portions shall not be considered  
36                    for additional blade sign(s).

37                    (b) Businesses with less than thirty (30) feet of  
38                    building frontage may install one (1) blade  
39                    sign per building frontage with a direct  
40                    customer entrance, provided that no other  
41                    blade sign is within twenty (20) feet.

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2 (2) Location: Arcade, gallery, shopfront or awning type  
3 frontage with a direct entrance for customers

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5 (3) Area maximum: six (6) square feet  
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8 (M) Grand projecting sign:  
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10 (a) Regulations:

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12 (1) Number maximum: one (1) per ground-floor tenants  
13 with at least twenty-five thousand (25,000) square  
14 feet of gross area

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16 (2) Location: Only permitted on building frontages  
17 facing corridor or regional arterial roadways

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19 (3) Area maximum: forty-five (45) square feet  
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21 (4) Height maximum: 15 feet  
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23 (a) No portion of a grand projecting sign shall be  
24 installed above twenty-five (25) feet above  
25 the established grade.

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27 (b) Nor shall any grand projecting sign protrude  
28 above any roofline.

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30 (5) Width maximum: 3 feet  
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32 (6) Signs may be illuminated.  
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35 (N) Projecting sign:  
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37 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per ground-floor tenant  
38 with direct entrance for customers

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40 (2) Location: Building façade perpendicular to the  
41 façade. Not permitted to be installed under an  
42 arcade, gallery, or shopfront and awning type  
43 frontage overhang.

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45 (3) Area maximum: six (6) square feet

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(4) Signs shall be at least thirty (30) feet from another.

(5) Signs shall not be internally illuminated.

<del>Identification monument sign:</del>	
<del>Minimum Separation</del>	<del>Monument signs shall not be permitted within 100 feet of any other monument sign along the same direction of travel of a right-of-way.</del>
<del>Setback minimum</del>	<del>5 feet from right-of-way</del>
	<del>10 feet from any interior property line</del>
<del>Area maximum</del>	<del>96 sq. ft. for projects with at least eight (8) tenants and one tenant space at least 25,000 sq. ft.</del>
	<del>72 sq. ft. for all multi-tenant buildings</del>
	<del>49 sq. ft. for all single occupant free standing building</del>
	<del>The first twelve (12) inches of a monument sign protruding up from the ground shall not be counted toward total sign area.</del>
<del>Height maximum</del>	<del>13 ft. above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to the sign for projects with at least eight (8) tenants and one tenant space at least 25,000 sq. ft.</del>
	<del>10 ft. above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to the sign for all other multi-tenant (72 sq. ft.) signs</del>
	<del>9 ft. above the sidewalk elevation adjacent to the sign for single occupant (49 sq. ft.) signs</del>
<del>Width maximum</del>	<del>8 ft.</del>
<del>Sign face area maximum</del>	<del>75% of total sign structure area</del>
<del>For multi-tenant developments</del>	<del>Must display the name of the development or plaza at the top of the sign</del>
	<del>May display the names of up to eight (8) tenants</del>
	<del>See section 39.8.17 for information on replaceable tenant panels.</del>
<del>Address</del>	<del>All signs must display address of complex in</del>

	numbers at least 6 inches high, but not more than ten (10) inches, located at the top of each side of the monument sign
	Address shall not be calculated in the total sign face area when located on an area that would not otherwise be calculated as part of the sign face area.
	In addition to the above required address display, the address may also be displayed vertically along the structural side of a monument sign which is perpendicular to a right-of-way.
Other regulations	Shall not be comprised of more than two (2) identical, back to back sign faces.
<i>Main identification wall sign:</i> <sup>1</sup>	
Occupancies allowed sign	Ground-level occupancy where said occupancy has its own direct customer/client entrance from the exterior of the building.
Number maximum	1 sign located on a side with right-of-way frontage or frontage on the main circulation route of an "L" or a "U" shaped center.
	If no frontage as previously listed exists, the occupancy will be allowed 1 sign.
	1 additional sign will be allowed per occupancy if an occupancy has two identical storefronts, one in front and one in rear, where both storefronts either have right-of-way frontage or frontage on a main circulation route of an "L" or "U" shaped center.
Area maximum	1 square foot per lineal foot of building frontage
Height maximum	Top of façade or wall
Height minimum	9 feet
Length maximum	75% of building frontage
Other regulations	Maximum of 2 lines of copy
	Must be installed perpendicular (at a 90 degree angle) to level ground
	Logos may not exceed 25% of line area utilized; Logotype may be up to 100% of the line area utilized.
	Signs installed flat on building may not

	<del>extend over a mansard, signs installed on mansard may not extend over edge of mansard</del>
<i>Secondary identification wall sign:<sup>2</sup></i>	
Occupancies allowed sign	<del>6 feet</del>
Number maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Area maximum	<del>No advertising copy</del>
Height maximum	<del>Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with size, color, copy and other regulations contained in the regulating statues</del>
Height minimum	<del>9 feet</del>
Length maximum	<del>100% of main identification wall sign or 75% of building frontage whichever is less</del>
Other regulations	<del>Maximum of 2 lines of copy</del>
	<del>Building rear is excluded from having a secondary identification wall sign</del>
	<del>Must be installed perpendicular (at a 90 degree angle) to level ground</del>
	<del>Logos may not exceed 25% of sign area utilized; Logotype may be up to 100% of the line area utilized.</del>
	<del>Signs installed flat on building may not extend over a mansard, signs installed on mansard may not extend over edge of mansard</del>
<i>Rear identification sign:</i>	
Number maximum	<u>One (1) per occupancy</u>
Location	<u>Rear - the portion of the building containing the service or secondary service entrance that is not on the same building side as a customer entrance.</u>
Setback minimum	<u>Must be located on or within three (3) feet of a service or secondary entrance.</u>
Area maximum	<u>One (1) square foot</u>
Other	<u>This sign may be wall mounted.</u>
	<u>This sign must conform with any applicable uniform sign plan.</u>
	<u>Said signs do not have to conform to the three-eighths-inch depth requirement but must be maintained in a good repair and appearance.</u>
	<u>The city shall have the right to request replacement of dilapidated signs.</u>

	<del>Rear identification signs are not subject to the requirements of section 39.3.1 (j) of this code.</del>
<i>General information signs:</i>	
Area maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Height Maximum	<del>6 feet</del>
Designated parking signs	<del>Such labeling of individual parking spaces for use by customers or employees of an individual business or group of businesses shall only be allowed in the rear of a center or building</del>
Other regulations	<del>No advertising copy</del>
	<del>Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with size, color, copy and other regulations contained in the regulating statutes</del>
<i>Directional signs:</i>	
Area maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Height maximum	<del>4 feet</del>
Other regulations	<del>No advertising copy</del>
	<del>Signs regulated by State Statutes must comply with size, color, copy and other regulations contained in the regulating statutes</del>
<i>Under canopy identification sign:</i>	
Number maximum	<del>1 per establishment</del>
Area maximum	<del>4 square feet</del>
Maximum letter height	<del>10 inches</del>
Minimum clearance	<del>9 feet</del>
Other regulations	<del>Signs are not subject to the requirements of section 39.3.1 (j)</del>
	<del>Must meet all requirements of section 39.8.9</del>
	<del>Gasoline station signs subject to section 39.8.3</del>
<i>Site directory sign:</i>	
Number maximum	<del>1 per multi-building project</del>
Area maximum	<del>Total sign area to be no more than 32 (-) square feet:</del>
	<del>12 (-) square feet for complex identification</del>

	portion
	20 ( ) square feet for tenant identification portion
Lettering	Maximum 15 inches for complex identification portion
	Maximum 8 inches for tenant identification portion
Location	On a wall or freestanding in courtyard
Setback minimum	100 feet
Height maximum	6 feet from base of building
Other regulations	No advertising copy
<i>Building Directory sign:</i>	
Number maximum	1 per building less than 20,000 square feet
	2 per building 20,000 square feet or greater
Area maximum	Total sign area to be no more than 10 square feet; sign may not be more than 4 feet in height
Lettering	Maximum 6 inches in height for building identification
	Maximum 2 inches for tenant identification
Location	On building wall
Setback minimum	20 feet from right-of-way
Other regulations	No advertising copy
<i>Flags and flag poles:</i>	See <u>S</u> ection 39.8.6 of this article
<i>Window signs:</i>	See <u>S</u> ection 39.8.7 of this article
<i>Rear of building signs:</i>	See <u>S</u> ection 39.8.8 of this article
<i>Hospital signs:</i>	See <u>S</u> ection 39.8.14 of this article

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<sup>±</sup> See Section 39.8 ( ) for additional gasoline station, hospital, accessory usage car wash, automatic teller machine, freestanding schools, places of worship, accessory and drive-thru sign provisions.

<sup>2</sup> ~~City may permit a larger area for a secondary wall sign where the 0.5 square foot area disturbs uniformity among signs in a row of adjacent bays.~~

**SECTION 7:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign Code Section 39.7 Temporary signs is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 39.7 Temporary signs.**

~~39.7.1. (A) General temporary sign regulations. Number of temporary signs permitted.~~

(1A) ~~A total of up to~~ maximum of five (5) ~~three (3)~~ temporary signs of any type may be displayed per parcel or lot at any one time.

~~1. Any one temporary sign shall be erected for a maximum period of one hundred eighty (180) days.~~

~~2. These signs shall be:~~

<del>Maximum area</del>	<del>3 square feet</del>
<del>Maximum height</del>	<del>6 feet above grade</del>
<del>Minimum setback</del>	<del>1 foot from right of way</del>

~~3. No torn, tattered or faded signs are permitted.~~

~~(B) The following regulations shall apply to all temporary election signs in single-family and duplex districts:~~

~~1. The maximum length of display shall be sixty (60) days; however, signs shall be removed within forty eight (48) hours after an election.~~

~~2. The maximum number of signs shall be five (5) signs per parcel.~~

~~3. The maximum area of a single sign shall be six (6) square feet. Sign copy may be displayed on both faces of a sign; however, the maximum area shall be calculated from a single face.~~

~~4. Reserved.~~

(2) Each sign shall not be displayed for more than twelve (12) consecutive months unless otherwise noted in this section.

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2 (3)5. Any such sign shall be located wholly on private  
3 property, and shall have a minimum setback of one (1)  
4 foot from the right-of-way for residential areas and  
5 five (5) feet from the right-of-way or interior property  
6 line for commercial areas, unless otherwise noted in  
7 this section.  
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10 ~~39.7.2.~~ (B) The following temporary signs shall be permitted in  
11 residential multifamily and nonresidential districts.

12 (1) Residential Districts

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14 (A) Announcing sign:

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16 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per project on-site

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18 (2) Area maximum: eight (8) square feet

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20 (3) An announcing sign may be displayed from the date  
21 of site plan approval until the date that the  
22 certificate of occupancy is issued, for a length of  
23 18 months, or for a change in tenant during build  
24 out.

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27 (B) Contractor sign:

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29 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per project on site

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31 (2) Area maximum: six (6) square feet

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33 (3) Contactor signs may be displayed from the issuance  
34 date of a building permit until said permit expires  
35 or date of the certificate of occupancy is issued,  
36 whichever is less.

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38 (4) If desired, sign may be placed on construction  
39 fence.

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42 (C) Election sign:  
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1 (1) **Area maximum:** six (6) feet for single-family  
2 residential; thirty-two (32) square feet for multi-  
3 family residential

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5 (2) Election signs in multi-family areas may be  
6 displayed for a maximum of 60 days prior to the  
7 election and must be removed within 48 hours after.

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9 (3) Each person wishing to post signs in multi-family  
10 areas shall provide the city with a list of the  
11 locations and descriptions of each sign, a written  
12 consent from the property owner of his authorized  
13 agent for each sign, and a local address and  
14 telephone number at which s/he (the person wishing  
15 to post the sign) may be contacted regarding  
16 violations or requirements of this subsection.

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18 (4) Property owners, individuals filing for a permit  
19 and the party erecting the sign shall each be  
20 liable for violation of this subsection.

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23 (D) *Opinion sign:*

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25 (1) **Area maximum:** three (3) square feet

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27 (2) Opinion signs may be displayed for a maximum of  
28 twelve (12) months.

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31 (E) *Personal gain sign:*

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33 (1) **Number maximum:** one (1) per lot on-site; four (4)  
34 off-site provided it is not posted in a public  
35 right-of-way or on other public property

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37 (2) **Setback minimum:** one (1) foot

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39 (3) **Area maximum:** three (3) square feet per face; two  
40 (2) face maximum

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42 (4) **Length of display:** maximum forty-five (45) days

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44 (5) **Height maximum:** three (3) feet above grade  
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2 (F) Grand opening event sign:  
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- 4 (1) Number maximum: one (1) banner per project; one (1)  
5 balloon per project  
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7 (2) Setback minimum: Banner sign may only be hung from  
8 the front of the building  
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10 (3) Height maximum: Roof line or top of parapet of  
11 building  
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13 (4) Length of display: sixty (60) consecutive days  
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15 (5) Approval of the banner must be obtained within 60  
16 days of the release of a model home certificate of  
17 occupancy.  
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19 (6) If balloon and grand opening banner sign are to be  
20 displayed, the balloon must be displayed within the  
21 60 day time period the banner is displayed.  
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23 (7) All banners must contain the words "grand opening."  
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25 (8) No advertising of specific products or pricing  
26 shall be included on any grand opening banner or  
27 balloon  
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29 (9) A \$75.00 bond shall be collected to ensure the  
30 banner is removed after the 60 day display.  
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32 (10) All banners not removed after the approved 60 days  
33 shall forfeit the \$75.00 bond to the city.  
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35 (11) All banners found to be installed without approval  
36 shall be immediately removed until such time that  
37 approval is granted.  
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39 (2) Non-residential Districts  
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41 (A) Announcing sign:  
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- 43 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per project on-site  
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45 (2) Area maximum: Twenty-four (24) square feet

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2 (3) An announcing sign may be displayed from the date  
3 of site plan approval until the date that the  
4 certificate of occupancy is issued, for a length of  
5 18 months, or for a change in tenant during build  
6 out.  
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9 (B) Contractor sign:

10 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per roadway

11 (2) Area maximum: Twenty-four (24) square feet

12 (3) Contractor signs may be displayed from the issuance  
13 date of a building permit until said permit expires  
14 or date of the certificate of occupancy is issued,  
15 whichever is less.

16 (4) If desired, sign may be placed on construction  
17 fence.

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24 (C) Walkway sign:

25 (1) Number maximum: One (1) per business with a direct  
26 customer entrance from the exterior of the building

27 (2) Area maximum: Six (6) feet

28 (3) Location: Must be located within fifteen (15) feet  
29 of the customer entrance.

30 (4) Width maximum: Not permitted to reduce the walkway  
31 to less than five (5) feet in width.

32 (5) Walkway signs are not permitted on any public  
33 sidewalk, except for urban greenways located within  
34 the TOC.

35 (6) The sign must be freestanding. It is not permitted  
36 to be tied, or otherwise secured, to any structure  
37 or landscaping, etc. for support.  
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1 (D) Election sign:

2 (1) Area maximum: Thirty-two (32) square feet

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5 (2) Election signs may be displayed for a maximum of 60  
6 days prior to the election and must be removed  
7 within 48 hours after.

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9 (3) Each person wishing to post signs pursuant to this  
10 subsection shall provide the city with a list of  
11 the locations and descriptions of each sign, a  
12 written consent from the property owner of his  
13 authorized agent for each sign, and a local address  
14 and telephone number at which s/he (the person  
15 wishing to post the sign) may be contacted  
16 regarding violations or requirements of this  
17 subsection.

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19 (4) Property owners, individuals filing for a permit  
20 and the party erecting the sign shall each be  
21 liable for violation of this subsection.

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24 (E) Opinion sign:

25 (1) Area maximum: Thirty-two (32) square feet

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28 (2) Opinion signs may be displayed for a maximum of  
29 twelve (12) months.

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32 (F) Special event sign:

33 (1) Area maximum: Twenty-four (24) square feet

34 (2) Number maximum: One (1) per street frontage on-site

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37 (3) Length of display:

38 (a) Small events, approved by the DRC, shall be  
39 permitted to display event signage for up to  
40 fourteen (14) days prior to the event and  
41 throughout the duration of the event.  
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1                    (b) Large events, approved by the City Commission,  
2                    shall be permitted to display event signage  
3                    for up to thirty (30) days prior to the event  
4                    and throughout the duration of the event.

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6                    (C) All event signage shall be removed upon close  
7                    of the event.

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9                    (4) **Height maximum:** Six (6) feet above grade

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12                    (G) Grand opening event sign:

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14                    (1) **Number maximum:** One (1) banner sign per project;  
15                    One (1) grand opening ground sign per roadway  
16                    frontage of the subject property

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18                    (2) **Location:** Banner sign may only be hung from the  
19                    front of the building

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21                    (3) **Setback minimum:** Grand opening balloon must be  
22                    located within fifteen (15) feet of customer  
23                    entrance

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25                    (4) **Area maximum:**

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27                    (a) Sixteen (16) square feet for signs on  
28                    buildings with building frontage up to thirty  
29                    (30) feet.

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31                    (b) An additional 1 square foot may be added to a  
32                    banner for each additional 2 feet of building  
33                    frontage.

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35                    (c) Grand opening ground signs shall contain a  
36                    twenty-four (24) square feet frame pre-  
37                    constructed by the City of Margate with an  
38                    eighteen (18) square feet (3 ft. x 6 ft.)  
39                    space available on each side for businesses to  
40                    utilize for personalized copy.

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42                    (5) **Height maximum:** Roof line or top of parapet of  
43                    building

1 (6) Length of display: Sixty (60) consecutive days for  
2 banner sign

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4 (7) Approval of the banner must be obtained within  
5 sixty (60) days of the issuance of the first local  
6 business tax receipt for a business at a new  
7 location or within sixty (60) days of the transfer  
8 of an existing business.

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10 (8) If balloon, ground sign, and grand opening banner  
11 sign are to be displayed, the balloon and/or ground  
12 sign must be displayed within the sixty (60) day  
13 time period the banner is displayed.

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15 (9) All banners must contain the words "grand opening"  
16 or "reopening."

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18 (10) No advertising of specific products or pricing  
19 shall be included on any grand opening ground sign,  
20 banner, or balloon.

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22 (11) A \$75.00 bond shall be collected to ensure the  
23 banner is removed after the sixty (60) day display.

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25 (12) All banners not removed after the approved sixty  
26 (60) days shall forfeit the \$75.00 bond to the  
27 city.

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29 (13) All banners found to be installed without approval  
30 shall be immediately removed until such time that  
31 approval is granted.

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33 (14) A fee of \$150.00 shall be charged for all rental  
34 or pre-constructed grand opening ground sign  
35 frames. Businesses shall be responsible for  
36 providing the city with individualized portion of  
37 grand opening ground sign (copy), at their expense.

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39 (15) Reopening event banners:

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41 (a) Shall only be approved for a business that is  
42 closed for a minimum of ten (10) days for  
43 either reorganization, renovation, or as a  
44 result of a declared emergency, immediately  
45 prior to said reopening.

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(b) Shall be subject to all rules and regulations pertaining to grand opening banners, as specified above.

*Special event signs:*

Number maximum	<del>1 per street frontage on site</del>
Length of Display	<del>Small events, approved by the DRC, shall be permitted to display event signage for up to fourteen (14) days prior to the event and throughout the duration of the event.</del>
	<del>Large events, approved by the City Commission, shall be permitted to display event signage for up to thirty (30) days prior to the event and throughout the duration of the event.</del>
	<del>All event signage shall be removed upon close of the event.</del>
Area maximum	<del>24 ( ) square feet</del>
Height maximum	<del>6 feet above grades</del>

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*Election Signs:*

	<del>Multifamily Residential District</del>	<del>Nonresidential District</del>
Area Maximum	<del>6 square feet</del>	<del>32 ( ) square feet</del>
Length of display	<del>Maximum of 60 days prior to the election; up to 48 hours after the election</del>	
Height maximum	<del>6 feet above grade</del>	
Setback minimum	<del>5 feet from right-of-way</del>	
	<del>5 feet from interior property line</del>	
Prior to posting	<del>Each person wishing to post signs pursuant to this subsection shall provide the city with a list of the locations and descriptions of each sign, a written consent from the property owner or his authorized agent for each sign, and a local address and telephone number at which s/he (the person wishing to post the sign) may be</del>	

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	<del>contacted regarding violations or requirements of this subsection.</del>
Responsible party(ies)	<del>Property owners, individuals filing for a permit and the party erecting the sign shall each be liable for violation of this subsection.</del>
Construction	<del>All signs must conform to the provisions of the Florida Building Code pursuant to subsection 39.3.1(a) of this article.</del>
	<del>Signs may not be constructed of cardboard, paper or any other paper products pursuant to section 39.3.1(i) of this article.</del>
	<del>No snipe signs are permitted pursuant to section 39.17 ()(13) of this article.</del>

~~Opinion Signs:~~

	<del>Multifamily Residential District</del>	<del>Nonresidential District</del>
Area Maximum	<del>3 square feet</del>	<del>32 () square feet</del>
Height maximum	<del>6 feet above grade</del>	
Setback minimum	<del>5 feet from right-of-way</del>	
	<del>5 feet from interior property line</del>	
Length of Display	<del>Maximum of 365 45 days</del>	

~~Grand opening event:~~

	<del>Multifamily Residential District</del>	<del>Nonresidential District</del>
Number per project	<del>1 banner sign per project</del>	
	<del>1 balloon per project</del>	<del>1 balloon per establishment</del>
		<del>1 grand opening ground sign per roadway frontage of the subject property</del>
Area maximum		<del>16 () square feet for signs on buildings with</del>

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		<del>building frontage up to 30 ft.</del>
		<del>An additional 1 sq. ft. may be added to a banner for each additional 2 ft. of building frontage</del>
		<del>Grand opening ground signs shall contain a 24 sq. ft. frame pre-constructed by the City of Margate with an 18 sq. ft. (3ft x 6ft) space available on each side for businesses to utilize for personalized copy</del>
<del>Maximum length of display</del>	<del>60 consecutive days for banner sign</del>	
	<del>14 ( ) consecutive days for balloon</del>	
<del>Height maximum</del>	<del>Roof line or top of parapet of building</del>	
<del>Setback minimum</del>	<del>Banner sign may only be hung from the front of the building</del>	
	<del>Balloon must be 10 feet from right-of-way</del>	
		<del>Grand opening ground signs shall be posted 5 ft from right-of-way. However, in the event that site conditions prohibit the ability to maintain a 5-foot setback, the placement of the grand opening ground sign shall be at the</del>

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		discretion of city administration
Other regulations	Approval must be obtained within 60 days of the release of a model home certificate of occupancy	Approval must be obtained within 60 days of the issuance of the first local business tax receipt for a business at new location or within 60 days of the transfer of an existing business
	If balloon, ground sign, and grand opening banner sign are to be displayed, the balloon and/or ground sign must be displayed within the 60-day time period the banner is displayed	
	All banners must contain the words <u>"grand opening."</u>	All banners must contain the words <u>"grand opening"</u> or <u>"reopening."</u>
	No advertising of specific products or pricing shall be included on any grand opening ground sign, banner, or balloon	
	No fee shall be charged for a banner; however, a \$75.00 bond shall be collected to ensure the banner is removed after the 60 day display.	
	All banners not removed after the approved 60 days shall forfeit the \$75 bond to the city.	
	All banners found to be installed without approval shall be immediately removed until such time that approval is granted.	
	A fee of \$150 shall be charged for the rental of pre-constructed grand opening ground sign frames. Businesses shall be responsible for providing the city with individualized portion of grand opening ground signs (copy), at their expense.	
Reopening Event		All non-residential

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		<del>properties shall be entitled to install a banner to announce a reopening.</del>
		<del>Reopening banners shall only be approved for a business that is closed for a minimum of ten (10) days for either reorganization, renovation, or as a result of a declared emergency, immediately prior to said reopening.</del>
		<del>Reopening banners shall be subject to all rules and regulations pertaining to grand opening banners, as specified above.</del>

~~Walkway signs:~~

	<del>Multifamily Residential District</del>	<del>Nonresidential District</del>
<del>Number maximum</del>	<u>Not permitted</u>	<del>1 per business with a direct customer entrance from the exterior of the building</del>
		<del>6 sq. ft.</del>
		<del>6 ft.</del>
		<del>Not permitted to reduce the walkway to less than five (5) feet in width</del>

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		Not permitted on any public sidewalk, except for urban greenway located within TOC.
		Sign must be freestanding. Not permitted to be tied, or otherwise secured, to any structure or landscaping, etc., for support.
		Sign must be located within fifteen (15) feet of customer entrance
		Not subject to criteria of uniform sign plan

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*Contractor sign:*

	Multifamily Residential District	Nonresidential District
Number maximum	1 per project on site	1 per parcel on site
Area maximum	6 square feet	16 ( ) square feet
Length of display	From issuance date of building permit until said permit expires or date certificate of occupancy is issued	
Height maximum	6 feet above grade	
Setback minimum	5 feet from right-of-way	

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*Announcing sign:*

	Multifamily Residential District	Nonresidential District
Number per project	1 per project on-site	
Area maximum	8 square feet	24 ( ) square feet

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Length of display	<del>From the date of site plan approval until the date any certificate of occupancy is issued or 18 months, whichever is less</del>
Height maximum	<del>6 feet above grade</del>
Setback minimum	<del>5 feet from right-of-way</del>

*Personal gain sign (i.e., garage or yard sale):*

	Multifamily Residential District	Nonresidential District
Number maximum	<del>1 per lot on-site</del>	<del>Not permitted</del>
	<del>1 off-site provided it is not posted in a public right-of-way or on other public property</del>	
Area maximum	<del>3 square feet per face; 2 face maximum</del>	<del>Not applicable</del>
Length of display	<del>Maximum of 45 days</del>	<del>Not applicable</del>
Height maximum	<del>3 feet above grade</del>	<del>Not applicable</del>
Setback minimum	<del>5 feet from right-of-way</del>	<del>Not applicable</del>
<i>Real estate signs</i>	<del>See 39.8.10 of this article</del>	
<i>Holiday decorative signs</i>	<del>See 39.8.16 of this article</del>	
<i>Window signs</i>	<del>See 39.8.7 of this article</del>	

**SECTION 8:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign Code Section 39.8 Supplemental regulations is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 39.8 Supplemental regulations.**

Regulations outlined in this section are supplemental and in addition to regulations outlined elsewhere in this code.

1 ~~39.8.1.(A)~~ Special signs.

2 The city may erect or authorize to be erected the following  
3 signs:

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- 5 ~~(a)~~ (1) Entrance signs at or near the eCity limits;
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- 7 ~~(b)~~ (2) Community bulletin boards;
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- 9 ~~(c)~~ (3) Signs determined to provide for the health, safety  
10 and welfare of the community;
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- 12 ~~(d)~~ (4) Bench signs and/or bus shelter signs as permitted  
13 and approved by the city manager;
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- 15 ~~(e)~~ (5) Signs displaying the "Margate Millennium" City logo  
16 and appropriate verbiage which are approved by the  
17 city manager or designee and the holder of the  
18 registered service mark of the logo;:-
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- 20 ~~(f)~~ (6) Wayfinding signs.
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22 ~~39.8.2.(B)~~ Changeable copy signs.

23 Signs displaying messages which can be or are intended to  
24 be changed by use of removable letters and numerals or digital  
25 EMC copy are permitted to be used only for theaters, playhouses,  
26 freestanding places of worship, freestanding schools, drive-thru  
27 establishments, hospitals, banks, and gasoline service stations,  
28 subject to the regulations below:

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30 (1) Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

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- 32 (a) Signs shall not have any scrolling, flashing or any  
33 other animation.
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- 35 (b) Signs may display more than one message with a  
36 minimum of four (4) minutes in between message  
37 changes.
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- 39 (c) Message changes must be quick shift. Fading or  
40 other similar animations are not permitted.
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- 42 (d) The EMC portion may not exceed twenty-five (25)  
43 percent of the total sign area.
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1 (e) See section 39.8.(C) for limits on changeable copy  
2 signs for gasoline stations.

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4 (f) See section 39.8.(D) for limits on changeable copy  
5 signs for freestanding places of worship and  
6 freestanding schools.

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8 (2) Changeable copy signs for theaters or playhouses:  
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10 (a) May have changeable copy on a wall sign shall not  
11 to exceed seventy-five (75) square feet in area.

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13 (b) Multiple screen theaters may be permitted  
14 additional sign area, not to exceed twenty-five  
15 (25) square feet per additional screen OR theater.

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17 (c) Playhouses may utilize allowable copy area of  
18 permissible freestanding signs for changeable copy.

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20 (i) Such signs shall contain only the title of the  
21 performance, the Motion Picture Association of  
22 American rating, the hours of the performance,  
23 and the name of the production company or the  
24 name of the major star.

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26 (3) Changeable copy signs for drive-thru establishments:  
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28 (a) May have a single-faced moveable letter sign  
29 showing menu or featured items.

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31 (b) Sign must have a transparent protective locked  
32 cover and all items of information must be  
33 contained within the area under the locked cover.

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35 (c) The sign (combined with the sign structure) may not  
36 exceed six (6) feet in height and may not exceed  
37 forty-two (42) square feet in area.

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39 (d) The sign must be affixed to a wall of the  
40 establishment adjacent to the drive-thru window or  
41 located freestanding between the building and  
42 drive-thru lane.

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44 (e) The sign face must not be visible from any portion  
45 of right-of-way which abuts the establishment.

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3 ~~(a) Changeable copy wall signs for theaters or playhouses~~  
4 ~~shall not exceed seventy-five (75) square feet in~~  
5 ~~area. Multiple screen theaters may be permitted~~  
6 ~~additional sign area, not to exceed twenty-five (25)~~  
7 ~~square feet per additional screen OR theaters and~~  
8 ~~playhouses may utilize allowable copy area of~~  
9 ~~permissible freestanding signs for changeable copy.~~  
10 ~~Such signs shall contain only the title of the~~  
11 ~~performance, the Motion Picture Association of America~~  
12 ~~rating, the hours of the performance, and the name of~~  
13 ~~the production company or the name of the major star.~~  
14 ~~(b) Drive thru establishments, in addition to other~~  
15 ~~permitted signs, may be permitted to have a single-~~  
16 ~~faceted moveable letter sign showing menu or featured~~  
17 ~~items. Said sign must have a transparent protective~~  
18 ~~locked cover and all items of information must be~~  
19 ~~contained within the area under the locked cover. The~~  
20 ~~sign (combined with the sign structure) may not exceed~~  
21 ~~six (6) feet in height and may not exceed forty-two~~  
22 ~~(42) square feet in area. The sign must be affixed to~~  
23 ~~a wall of the establishment adjacent to the drive in~~  
24 ~~window or located freestanding between the building~~  
25 ~~and drive-in lane. The sign face must not be visible~~  
26 ~~when viewed from any portion of right-of-way which~~  
27 ~~abuts the establishment.~~  
28 ~~(c) Gasoline stations. See section 39.8.3 for limits on~~  
29 ~~changeable copy signs for gasoline stations.~~  
30 ~~(d) Freestanding places of worship and freestanding~~  
31 ~~schools. See section 39.8.5 for limits on changeable~~  
32 ~~copy signs for freestanding places of worship and~~  
33 ~~freestanding schools.~~  
34 ~~(e) All changeable letters or symbols (excluding logos)~~  
35 ~~utilized in the changeable copy area on a permitted~~  
36 ~~changeable copy sign shall be either white or black.~~  
37 ~~Both shades may not be utilized simultaneously.~~  
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39 39.8.3.(C) Gasoline stations.

40 This section shall pertain to all gasoline stations sites  
41 including any uses, whether accessory or not, which share the  
42 same site.  
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1 (1~~a~~) In calculating lineal feet of building frontage for  
2 purposes of determining wall sign size, gasoline station  
3 canopies shall not be included.  
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5 (2) A company logo not to exceed four (4) square feet shall  
6 be permitted on each side of a canopy with street  
7 frontage but no wall sign shall be permitted thereon.  
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9 (3~~b~~) ~~In addition to the gasoline service building wall sign~~  
10 ~~and the company logo wall sign, one~~ additional wall  
11 sign, not to exceed twenty (20) square feet, shall be  
12 permitted on a detached car wash building which is an  
13 accessory use to the gasoline service station building.  
14 ~~The detached car wash building wall signs shall be~~  
15 ~~consistent with the color and style of other signage on~~  
16 ~~the site.~~  
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18 (4~~e~~) One monument sign may be permitted per site. This sign  
19 shall comply with all the provisions of ~~§~~section 39.6 ~~(+)~~  
20 Identification Monument Sign except that:  
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22 (a~~1~~) The monument sign shall contain the company name  
23 and/or logo and ~~the gas prices,~~ and may contain a  
24 the company logo and/or the name and/or logo of any  
25 other businesses which share the same occupancy.  
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27 (b~~2~~) The sign area of the name(s) and/or logo(s) shall  
28 ~~not exceed~~ equal one-half the total sign face area  
29 and one-half the sign width.  
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31 (c~~3~~) The sign area advertising the price of gasoline  
32 may ~~not exceed~~ equal one-half the total sign face  
33 area and one-half the sign width.  
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35 (d~~4~~) The sign shall not exceed nine (9) ~~eight (8)~~ feet  
36 in height nor forty-nine (49) feet in total area. A  
37 maximum of seventy-five (75) per cent of the sign  
38 structure shall be used for sign face(s).  
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40 (e~~5~~) The pricing portion of the sign may have  
41 changeable copy or digital EMC changeable copy.  
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43 (4~~d~~) Signs may be placed on gasoline pumps in order to  
44 provide information to the public; however such signs  
45 may not exceed one and one-half (1½) square feet per

1 sign face with a maximum of two (2) back-to-back faces  
2 (total of three (3) square feet in area) per  
3 freestanding pump cluster.  
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5 ~~(e)The adoption of mandatory regulations regarding gasoline~~  
6 ~~pricing signs by the federal, state or local government~~  
7 ~~shall preempt and govern gasoline pricing signs~~  
8 ~~permitted by the code.~~  
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11 ~~(f)Signs designating a group of pump dispensers as "self-~~  
12 ~~service" shall be no larger than one square foot in area and~~  
13 ~~said signs shall only be placed at the ends of an aisle of pump~~  
14 ~~dispenser units.~~  
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16 (5f)Signs designating a group of pump dispensers as "self-  
17 service" or "full-service" shall be no larger than one  
18 (1) square foot in area and said signs shall only be  
19 placed at the ends of an aisle of pump dispenser units.  
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21 ~~(1)If a price for a particular grade of gasoline,~~  
22 ~~diesel fuel or other product sold to power~~  
23 ~~motorized vehicles is displayed relating to a~~  
24 ~~particular service (i.e., self-serve or full-~~  
25 ~~serve), said service shall be available at the~~  
26 ~~filling station posting same.~~  
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28 (6g)One (1) sign displaying prices shall be required of all  
29 establishments selling fuel to power motorized vehicles  
30 within the City.  
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32 (a)The size of said sign shall be a minimum of twelve  
33 (12) square feet.  
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35 (b)Said sign shall be prominently placed and readily  
36 visible during daylight hours from a passing motor  
37 vehicle on at least one (1) abutting street.  
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39 ~~(c)~~The lowest price for at least two (2) grades of  
40 gasoline, diesel fuel or other product sold to power  
41 motorized vehicles shall be posted. ~~Each sign as~~  
42 ~~provided in subsection (i) shall have~~  
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44 (d)~~Unit prices shall be~~ displayed in Arabic numerals no  
45 smaller than ten (10) inches high.

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2 (~~e~~) If a unit price is in increments of less than one  
3 (1) gallon or a unit price is measured in other than  
4 gallons, said unit measure shall be clearly displayed  
5 in numerals no less than eight (8) inches high on the  
6 sign as provided for above.  
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8 ~~(2) Should gasoline, diesel fuel or other product sold~~  
9 ~~to power motorized vehicles be sold by any unit~~  
10 ~~measure other than by gallons or fraction thereof,~~  
11 ~~a table or chart shall be provided within view of~~  
12 ~~each pump showing the equivalent of each unit to a~~  
13 ~~gallon.~~  
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15 (7) The adoption of mandatory regulations regarding gasoline  
16 pricing signs by the federal, state or local government  
17 shall preempt and govern gasoline pricing signs  
18 permitted by the code.  
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20 ~~39.8.4.~~ (E) Automatic teller machines (ATM).

21 ATM's are permitted one wall sign for sites with less than  
22 two (2) machines and may have up to two (2) wall signs if there  
23 are more than (2) machines on site. Each sign shall not exceed  
24 four (4) square feet. An opaque lighted cabinet sign with  
25 lighted sign letters is permitted in this instance. The sign  
26 shall not be higher than eight (8) feet high and said sign must  
27 be adjacent to the machine. Signs in existence prior to the  
28 adoption of this code need not comply with this subsection or  
29 section 39.3.4 ~~(j)~~ (J) but must meet all other sections of this  
30 code and any other applicable codes and regulations.  
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32 ~~39.8.5.~~ (D) Freestanding schools and places of worship:

33 ~~(a)~~ (1) One (1) monument sign, either illuminated or non-  
34 illuminated may be permitted. Said monument sign shall  
35 comply with all regulations set forth for monument  
36 signs in nonresidential districts (section 39.6 ~~(+)~~)  
37 except that an area of the sign, not to exceed twenty

1 (20) square feet, may contain changeable copy or  
2 digital EMC changeable copy.

3 ~~(b)~~ (2) One non-illuminated wall sign may also be permitted  
4 provided that it complies with the regulations for a  
5 "main identification wall sign" in nonresidential  
6 districts (section 39.6. ~~(J)~~ (J)).

7 ~~(e)~~ (3) Signs in this category permitted and approved prior  
8 to January 8, 1997, are exempt from the requirements  
9 of section 39.14.5 of this code but not from the  
10 regulations of any other section.

11 ~~(d)~~ (4) Banners are permitted subject to the requirements  
12 in section 39.7.

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14 ~~39.8.6.~~ (F) *Flags and flag poles.*

15 (1) No more than three (3) flags of any kind shall be  
16 permitted on any parcel or lot.

17 (2) Flags must be no greater than forty (40) square feet in  
18 area.

19 (3) Flags must be set back a minimum of ten (10) feet from  
20 the right-of-way and affixed in such a manner so as to  
21 comply with all the requirements of the Code of the City  
22 of Margate and the ~~South~~ Florida Building Code.

23 (4) Flags shall not be flown so that the lowest portion of  
24 the flag (irrespective of any pole or mounting) rises  
25 above the roofline of the structure to which it is  
26 attached or affixed.

27 (5) Any pole planted or positioned into the ground to which  
28 a flag is attached must be permanent and be approved and  
29 permitted by the Margate Building Department.

1        (6)Flags may not be attached, affixed or flown from any  
2            freestanding sign or pole which supports a lighting  
3            fixture.

4        (7)The maximum height of a flag pole is twenty-five (25)  
5            feet.

6        (8)No more than two (2) flags may be flown on any one (1)  
7            approved and permitted flag pole. ~~All flags are subject~~  
8            ~~to section 39.11.1 of this code.~~

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10     ~~39.8.7.~~(G) Window signs.

11            The total area of all window signs (interior, exterior and  
12     illuminated) may be no greater than ~~twenty-five (25)~~ seventy  
13     five (75) per cent of the total window area per window.

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15        (1a)Interior window signs. ~~Window signs on the interior~~  
16            ~~surface of those~~

17            (a)Located within ten (10) feet of the window;  
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19            (b) ~~Shall~~ shall be professionally drawn or constructed;  
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21            (c)May be a maximum of ~~four (4)~~ five (5) colors;  
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23            (d)Shall be nonilluminated;  
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25            (e)Letters must be no more than eight (8) inches in  
26            height;

27            (f)No flashing or strobe lights are permitted. ~~(see~~  
                 ~~section 39.8.7 (c) for exceptions).~~

(2b)Exterior window signs.

~~Such signs may only be constructed of individual letters~~  
          ~~or logos.~~

1           (a) Letters must be individual and constructed from ~~white~~  
2           vinyl and no greater than ~~eight (8)~~ twelve (12)  
3           inches in height~~;~~;

4           (b) Logos may be ~~three (3)~~ five (5) colors and a maximum  
5           of four (4) square feet~~;~~;

6           (c) Said signs shall not state any price~~;~~;

7           (d) Signs shall not be applied to or cover any divider  
8           between individual panels in a window~~;~~;

9           (e) Signs shall be kept in a condition that will maintain  
10          their original aesthetic appearance.

11          (3e) Illuminated window signs

12          (a) One (1) illuminated (including neon) sign may be  
13          permitted per bay per frontage, with the number of  
14          bays being determined by the number of water meters  
15          on record for any subject property~~;~~;

16          (b) ~~provided that~~ The sign(s) ~~does~~ shall not exceed ~~two (2)~~  
17          four (4) square feet in area~~;~~;

18          (c) ~~has a~~ A maximum of ~~three (3)~~ five (5) colors are  
19          permitted on the sign~~;~~;

20          (d) ~~has~~ Letters shall be no greater than twelve (12)  
21          inches in height~~;~~;

22          (e) ~~and that~~ The total area of signs in the window ~~does~~ shall  
23          not exceed twenty-five (25) per cent of the total  
24          window area per window.

25          (f) In addition, one (1) illuminated sign that reads  
26          "open" may be permitted per bay per frontage,  
27          provided that,

28          (i) ~~provided that~~ The sign does not exceed ~~two (2)~~ four  
29          (4) square feet in area~~;~~;

1           (ii) The sign has a maximum of ~~three (3)~~ five (5)  
2           colors<sub>7i</sub>;

3           (iii) ~~has~~ The letters are no greater than twelve (12)  
4           inches in height<sub>7i</sub>;

5           (iv) ~~and t~~The total area of signs in the window does  
6           not exceed twenty-five (25) per cent of the total  
7           window area per window<sub>7i</sub>;

8           (v) No flashing or strobe illumination is permitted.  
9           The installation and display of an illuminated  
10          window sign shall require a permit to insure  
11          compliance with the South Florida Building Code  
12          and any other applicable codes.

13          (D) Any neon, LED, rope lighting, window outlining or other  
14          similar lighting devices are not permitted year round  
15          unless otherwise noted.

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17 ~~39.8.8. Rear identification signs.~~

18 ~~One (1) rear identification sign, not to exceed one (1)~~  
19 ~~square foot is permitted for each occupancy. For purposes of~~  
20 ~~this section, the rear is that portion of the building~~  
21 ~~containing the service or secondary service entrance that is not~~  
22 ~~on the same building side as a customer entrance. This sign may~~  
23 ~~be wall mounted. This sign must conform with any applicable~~  
24 ~~uniform sign plan and be located on or within three (3) feet of~~  
25 ~~a service or secondary entrance. Said signs do not have to~~  
26 ~~conform to the three-eighths-inch depth requirement but must be~~  
27 ~~maintained in a good repair and appearance. The city shall have~~  
28 ~~the right to request replacement of dilapidated signs. Rear~~  
29 ~~identification signs are not subject to the requirements of~~  
30 ~~section 39.3.1 (j) of this code.~~

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~~39.8.9. Under canopy signs.~~

~~One (1) under canopy identification sign per storefront is permitted, not to exceed four (4) square feet in area and shall have a minimum vertical clearance of nine (9) feet. Corner storefronts may be permitted one (1) such sign per side. Sign must be positioned ninety (90) degrees to façade, must be rigidly attached, centered in the area under the canopy, and may be internally illuminated provided the signs is "cabinet" in style." Sign must conform with any applicable uniform sign plan. Said signs are not subject to the requirements of section 39.3.1 (j). Signs under gasoline station canopies shall be governed by section 39.8.3.~~

~~39.8.10.(H) Real estate signs.~~

Said signs must be maintained in good repair and appearance. The eCity shall have the right to request replacement of dilapidated signs.

(1a) Residential Districts:

(a1) One (1) sign not to exceed three (3) square feet per sign face (two (2) faces permitted), six (6) square feet aggregate.

(b2) Sign copy shall include the applicable language, for example, "For Sale," "For Rent," "For Lease," and may contain the name of the owner or representative and a contact phone number.

(c3) One (1) additional sign, not to exceed six (6) inches by eighteen (18) inches, may be attached to the approved sign displaying one (1) piece of information, such as "By Appointment Only," "Sold"

1 or "Open." An "Open" or "Open House" sign may be  
2 displayed only when the premises are actually  
3 available for inspection by a prospective buyer or  
4 tenant.

5 (d4) One off-site real estate "Open" sign not to exceed  
6 three (3) square feet in area, shall be permitted  
7 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and  
8 only when the premises are actually available for  
9 inspection by prospective buyer or tenant.

10 (e5) Undeveloped residential land parcels greater than  
11 two (2) acres shall be permitted one non-illuminated  
12 freestanding sign not to exceed sixteen (16) square  
13 feet per sign face with a maximum of two (2) faces.

14 (2b) Nonresidential districts:

15 (a1) One window sign in compliance with section  
16 39.8.7(G), ~~entitled "Window signs"~~ is permitted. If  
17 the window on the available bay(s) or storefront(s)  
18 has a total area less than twenty-four (24) square  
19 feet, one sign, not to exceed six (6) square feet in  
20 area may be displayed inside the window. ~~permitted~~  
21 ~~to be affixed to the building.~~

22 (b2) ~~If the Undeveloped nonresidential land is vacant~~  
23 ~~and greater than four (4) acres shall be permitted~~  
24 one non-illuminated freestanding sign not to exceed  
25 in area, one non-illuminated freestanding sign, not  
26 ~~to exceed twenty-four (24) square feet, may be~~  
27 permitted. per sign face with a maximum of two (2)  
28 faces.

29 (c3) A project with a vacant bay or storefront for sale  
30 or rent which is greater than twenty-two thousand  
31 five hundred (22,500) and one-half (22,500) square

1 feet in area or greater than fifteen (15) per cent  
2 of all square footage in a project is for sale or  
3 rent or vacant land under four (4) acres may be  
4 permitted one non-illuminated freestanding sign, not  
5 to exceed sixteen (16) square feet.

6 (d4)All signs shall include the applicable language,  
7 for example "For Sale," "For Rent," ~~or~~ "For Lease,"  
8 or "Available," and may include the name of the  
9 owner or representative, a contact phone number, the  
10 applicable zoning district and total area of the  
11 property or storefront available.

12  
13 ~~39.8.911.~~ (I) Newspaper racks.

14 Newspaper racks are prohibited from displaying the name,  
15 logo or any advertising message of any product or service other  
16 than the name and/or logo of the periodical being distributed.

17  
18 ~~39.8.1012.~~ (J) Trash receptacles and dumpsters.

19 ~~(a)~~Trash receptacles are prohibited from displaying any  
20 commercial or noncommercial message of any kind, other  
21 than the name and/or phone number of the company  
22 servicing said dumpster.

23 ~~(b) Dumpsters may only display the name and/or phone number~~  
24 ~~of the company servicing said dumpster.~~

25  
26 ~~39.8.1113.~~ (K) Public telephones.

27 This subsection is to ~~designed in the interests of the~~  
28 ~~health, safety, and welfare of the general public and with the~~  
29 ~~goal of ensuring~~ ensure the easy identification of public

1 telephones by the general public in the event of any emergency  
2 or crisis. Any sign on an outdoor public telephone, ~~may only~~  
3 ~~display a sign with the international symbol for telephone with~~  
4 ~~the word "Telephone" or "Phone," and must be white lettering on~~  
5 ~~a blue background.~~ must only display the international sign for  
6 telephone.

7 (1) Each telephone is allowed one ~~One~~ sign not to exceed one  
8 square foot in area per sign face with a maximum of two  
9 (2) sign faces for an aggregate of two (2) square feet.

10 (2) ~~may~~ The sign may be attached to a freestanding phone  
11 structure or may be affixed to a wall above a public  
12 telephone.

13 (3) ~~This~~ The sign may be a projecting sign provided that it  
14 has a minimum clearance of nine (9) feet, a maximum  
15 height of twelve (12) feet, and it does not protrude  
16 over a right-of-way.

17 This subsection is not intended to regulate any letters or  
18 symbols ~~no greater than~~ one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) inch or less in height  
19 and/or width on the body of the telephone (not on the telephone  
20 structure) which describe instructions for use of the telephone  
21 or other information required by state or federal law.

22  
23 ~~39.8.1214.~~ (L) Hospitals.

24 (1) Hospitals with more than one hundred (100) beds for  
25 ~~patient~~ overnight patient treatment may have one (1)  
26 monument sign per building. ~~equal to the maximum size~~  
27 ~~that is allowed for a multi-tenant complex with a single~~  
28 ~~tenant space over twenty-five thousand (25,000) square~~  
29 ~~feet.~~

30  
31 (a) Maximum height: 13 feet

32  
33 (b) Maximum: 8 feet

1  
2 (c)Maximum square footage: 96 square feet  
3

4 (2)Signs may also be placed on building sides without  
5 roadway frontage provided one hundred (100) per cent of  
6 the sign face is visible from a main roadway and said  
7 signs conform to all other applicable sections of this  
8 code.  
9

10 (3)A hospital must submit a uniform sign plan which shall  
11 conform with and be subject to all of the provisions of  
12 section 39.10 ~~(+)~~ (Uniform Sign Plan) of this Code.  
13

14 ~~39.8.1315.~~ (M) Certification and affiliation signs.

15 A business owner in any nonresidential ~~commercial or~~  
16 ~~industrial~~ district may with the property owner's permission  
17 display up to one (1) nonanimated sign designating its  
18 professional certification, seal, symbol, or other historic or  
19 generally recognized trade affiliation. Said sign shall not  
20 exceed two (2) square feet in area, and may only be affixed to  
21 the wall of the building where the main customer entrance exists  
22 but shall be no higher than the door. This sign may be in  
23 addition to other signs ~~the main wall sign~~ permitted by this  
24 Code.  
25

26 ~~39.8.16.~~ (N) Nonresidential #holiday decorative signs.

27 Signs of a primarily decorative nature, clearly incidental  
28 and customary and commonly associated with any national, local  
29 or religious holiday shall be permitted provided that such signs  
30 shall be displayed for a period of not more than sixty (60)  
31 consecutive days. ~~and no parcel or lot shall display such signs~~  
32 ~~for more than sixty (60) days in any one calendar year.~~ Such  
33 signs may be of any approved type, number, area or illumination  
34 and shall be entirely within the boundaries of the lot or

1 premises on which they are erected. Said signs may be painted or  
2 applied to the interior or exterior of any window. Said signs  
3 ~~shall not be installed greater than twenty (20) feet above grade~~  
4 ~~and~~ shall be subject to the applicable electrical and structural  
5 inspection.

6  
7 ~~39.8.17.(O)~~ Replaceable tenant panels.

8 Cabinet type wall signs and Mmulti-tenant monument signs  
9 which allow for the display of up to eight (8) ~~four (4)~~ tenants  
10 of a multi-tenant complex may utilize replaceable tenant panels  
11 in said monument sign. These panels may be changed or rotated  
12 without the requirement of a permit or inspection by the city  
13 ~~upon application (including photography) to the city,~~ the  
14 ~~payment of appropriate permit fees upon a complete reinspection~~  
15 ~~of said monument sign at the time of permitting. Each tenant~~  
16 ~~changed or rotated shall be permitted individually. Permits~~  
17 ~~shall only be approved in the name of the owner of the monument~~  
18 ~~sign. The change or rotation of said panels in nonconforming~~  
19 ~~signs shall not constitute an alteration or change of said sign~~  
20 ~~and therefore shall not cause the loss of legal nonconforming~~  
21 ~~status under section 39.14.3 (a) of this code. Replaceable~~  
22 ~~tenant panels in nonconforming signs shall not be subject to~~  
23 ~~section 39.3.1 (j) of this code.~~

24  
25 In the event a business listed on a tenant panel(s) of a  
26 multi-tenant complex's monument sign closes, leaves or abandons  
27 the complex, or in any other way no longer is to be listed on  
28 the monument sign, the owner shall replace said tenant panel  
29 with a blank panel until such time as a new tenant is listed.

30  
31 (P) Car dealerships.

32 All car dealerships are subject to the following  
33 regulations:

1 (1) Prohibited from displaying any attention attracting  
2 devices as described in section 39.9(c);

3  
4 (2) Permitted to display all industry required tags in  
5 vehicle windows;

6  
7 (3) permitted to have "feature cars" based on the following  
8 criteria:

9  
10 (a) Lots with less than 100 cars are permitted up to  
11 one (1) feature car.

12  
13 (b) Lots with 101-300 cars are permitted up to three  
14 (3) feature cars.

15  
16 (c) Lots with 301 or more cars are permitted up to five  
17 (5) feature cars.

18  
19 (4) Shall be permitted to display the sale price of  
20 vehicles.

21  
22 (a) No more than one (1) price sign per vehicle;

23  
24 (b) May be vinyl decal or printed sign display in  
25 windshield area;

26  
27 (c) May be hung from rear view mirror;

28  
29 (d) No chalk, paint, marker or similar writing  
30 permitted.

31  
32 ~~39.8.18.(Q) Nonresidential Temporary decorative lighting.~~

33 Decorative light strings or light tubes that meet the  
34 Underwriters Laboratories standards for commercial grade

1 exterior use may be displayed in all non-residential zoning  
2 districts subject to the following conditions:

3  
4 (a) Lights may be permitted to be ~~temporarily~~ affixed to any  
5 tree, hedge, bush, shrub, building façade, column,  
6 awning, or any other architectural feature of a  
7 building. ~~for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.~~  
8 ~~Light strings shall be removed at the end of the~~  
9 ~~permitted ninety-day period.~~

10  
11 (b) The use of any installation hardware (nails, tacks,  
12 screws, etc.) that penetrates the bark of a live tree is  
13 strictly prohibited.

14  
15 (c) All exterior lights must be permitted by the Margate  
16 Building Department prior to installation. ~~The Margate~~  
17 ~~Building Department shall reinspect after the permitted~~  
18 ~~ninety-day period has elapsed to verify that the~~  
19 ~~temporary decorative lights have been removed.~~

20  
21 (d) Prior to issuing a permit for ~~temporary~~ decorative  
22 lights, a letter of authorization from the property  
23 owner must be submitted with the permit application as  
24 well as all inspection and reinspection fees associated  
25 with the permit.

26  
27 (e) All lights shall be professionally installed in  
28 accordance with the Florida Building Code, the Florida  
29 Fire Prevention Code, and the National Electric Code.  
30 All lighting must have a permanent power source that has  
31 been professionally installed and independently  
32 permitted by the Margate Building Department. ~~Connection~~  
33 ~~of lighting to power source via extension cords is~~  
34 ~~strictly prohibited.~~

1  
2 ~~(f) Light strings permitted to be displayed for said ninety~~  
3 ~~(90) day period shall only emit white illumination.~~

4  
5 ~~(g) Multicolored lights may be displayed for a maximum of~~  
6 ~~forty-five (45) days in connection with any of the legal~~  
7 ~~public holidays designated by the United States~~  
8 ~~Congress. The temporary decorative multi-colored lights~~  
9 ~~shall be removed no later than fifteen (15) days after~~  
10 ~~the identified holiday has passed.~~

11  
12 ® Promotional advertising banners.

13 The purpose of this pilot program is to offer an additional  
14 way for businesses in multi-tenant developments to gain greater  
15 visibility and increase opportunities for promotion.

16  
17 (A) General program requirements:

18  
19 (a) Centers with more than six (6) tenants may install  
20 permanent poles to display promotional advertising  
21 banners.

22  
23 (b) One set of poles per 100 feet is permitted.

24  
25 (c) The property owner shall submit a site plan of  
26 property showing dimensioned location of  
27 promotional advertising banners.

28  
29 (d) Dimensioned drawing, photograph or detailed  
30 description of promotional advertising display  
31 shall be submitted to the Economic Development  
32 Department.

1           (e) Each tenant may display the banner for a maximum of  
2           thirty (30) days, up to six (6) times per year.

3  
4           (f) Banners shall be the appropriate size for the  
5           provided poles.

6  
7           (g) Banners shall not display any pricing.

8  
9           (h) The permanent pole shall require any applicable  
10          permits through the Building Department.

11  
12           **SECTION 9:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
13          Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
14          Code Section 39.9 Nuisance is hereby amended to read as  
15          follows:  
16

17          **Section 39.9 Nuisance.**

18          ~~39.9.1.~~(A) Illumination.

19                 No illuminated signs shall face a residential district in  
20                 such a way that the lighting fixture reflects directly into the  
21                 residential district at night.  
22

23          ~~39.9.2.~~(B) Utility pole signs.

24                 No signs shall be affixed or otherwise attached to any  
25                 public utility pole or structure except pole identification  
26                 signs as placed by the owning utility, public information signs  
27                 as placed upon said pole or structure by a governmental entity,  
28                 or other signs as authorized by the city.  
29

30          ~~39.9.3.~~(C) Attention attracting devices —~~outdoor merchandise.~~

31                 Balloons, flags, pennants, streamers, spinners, tinsel,  
32                 bunting, neon lights, signs, or other similar devices shall not  
33                 be applied to any vehicle, boat, equipment, machinery or other  
34                 stock-in-trade merchandise which is stationary and outdoors,

1 buildings or structure, or strung on wires, or otherwise used on  
2 any site except as otherwise permitted in this article. ~~except~~  
3 ~~that one or more product information forms shall be permitted~~  
4 ~~per item of merchandise provided they do not total on any one~~  
5 ~~item more than two hundred (200) square inches in area and~~  
6 ~~provided further that they do not have any type or logos more~~  
7 ~~than one inch in height.~~

8  
9 No door, hatch, hood, trunk, or other part or appendage of  
10 any stock-in-trade merchandise which is stationary and outdoors  
11 shall be left in the open or extended position except when said  
12 merchandise is being repaired in an area approved for such  
13 repair. Any merchandise or stock-in-trade whose said part(s) or  
14 appendages are not kept in conformance with this section shall  
15 be deemed an attention attracting device in violation of this  
16 section.

17  
18 ~~39.9.4. [Balloons, flags, pennants, etc.]~~

19 ~~— Balloons, flags, pennants, streamers, spinners, tinsel,~~  
20 ~~bunting, neon lights or other similar devices shall not be~~  
21 ~~applied to any building or structure, or strung on wires, or~~  
22 ~~otherwise used on any site except as otherwise permitted in this~~  
23 ~~article.~~

24  
25 ~~39.9.5.(D) Angle to ground.~~

26 All free-standing signs ~~(whether monument, traffic,~~  
27 ~~informational, etc.)~~ shall be maintained perpendicular (at a 90-  
28 degree angle) to level ground.

29  
30 **SECTION 10:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
31 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
32 Code Section 39.10 Uniform sign plan is hereby amended to  
33 read as follows:  
34

1 Section 39.10 Uniform sign plan.

2 (~~A1~~)~~For all~~ All projects with more than two (2) tenants  
3 displaying signage and for hospitals as defined by  
4 section 39.8.14: shall adopt a A uniform sign plan, shall  
5 be submitted to the city indicating the sign type and  
6 size to be utilized for all permanent wall signs on the  
7 subject property. Uniform sign plan shall be submitted to  
8 include:

9  
10 ~~(a) That all signs shall conform to this code.~~

11  
12 ~~(b) Signs to be located on the property, including~~  
13 ~~standards for uniform: sign area, letter style(s),~~  
14 ~~letter color(s) (face, returns and illumination),~~  
15 ~~letter heights, lighting specifications, and sign~~  
16 ~~locations, all of which shall be compatible with the~~  
17 ~~architectural design of the entire center (sign area~~  
18 ~~and letter heights variations may be allowed for major~~  
19 ~~tenant signs).~~

20  
21 ~~(c) Uniform sign plans submitted shall indicate the sign~~  
22 ~~type for include the following applicable items:~~

- 23 1. ~~Identification monument signs.~~  
24 2. ~~Main identification wall signs.~~  
25 3. ~~Secondary identification wall signs.~~  
26 4. ~~General information signs.~~  
27 5. ~~Directional signs.~~  
28 6. ~~Under canopy identification signs.~~  
29 7. ~~Site directory signs.~~  
30 8. ~~Building directory signs.~~  
31 9. ~~Temporary signs.~~  
32 10. ~~Flags and flag poles.~~  
33 11. ~~Window signs.~~  
34 12. ~~Rear identification signs.~~

1           ~~13. Building address signs.~~

2           ~~14. Other signage that may be erected upon the~~  
3           ~~property.~~

4  
5       (Bd) New or revised uniform sign plans shall be submitted by  
6       the property owner(s) or their agent to the Economic  
7       Development Department for review. A one hundred dollar  
8       (\$100.00) administrative fee shall be applied to all  
9       applications. ~~The Department shall review the plan based~~  
10      ~~on consistency with the City of Margate Code,~~  
11      ~~compatibility with exterior features and colors of the~~  
12      ~~subject structure(s) as provided in Section 40.5 () of~~  
13      ~~this Code, and redevelopment efforts underway in the~~  
14      ~~City. The Department shall issue a written approval or~~  
15      ~~rejection for any proposed uniform sign plan within ten~~  
16      ~~(10) calendar days of receiving a complete application.~~  
17      ~~Uniform sign plans for existing developments that are~~  
18      ~~consistent with or stricter than the Code of the City of~~  
19      ~~Margate shall be considered an administrative approval.~~

20  
21      ~~(e) Once the uniform sign plan, excluding any signs~~  
22      ~~comprised of registered logos or logotype, has been~~  
23      ~~established for a multi-tenant center or complex, the~~  
24      ~~criteria shall apply to the entire center, as well as~~  
25      ~~each individual occupant, and shall remain as long as~~  
26      ~~the center exists, regardless of change of ownership~~  
27      ~~or management. The criteria of the uniform sign plan~~  
28      ~~may only be changed if all signs in the center are~~  
29      ~~changed to conform to the new approved criteria within~~  
30      ~~a period of no more than one (1) year from the date of~~  
31      ~~approval of the new plan.~~

32  
33      (C) Upon adoption of a new or revised uniform sign plan, all  
34      signs in the center shall be changed to conform to the

1           new approved criteria within one (1) year from the  
2           date of approval of the new or revised plan.

3  
4           ~~(f) Businesses that wish to use a logo or logotype~~  
5           ~~registered either with the State of Florida or U.S.~~  
6           ~~Government must comply with the provisions set forth~~  
7           ~~in Section 39.6 () of this Article.~~

8  
9           **SECTION 11:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
10          Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
11          Code Section 39.11 Improper signs is hereby amended to read  
12          as follows:

13  
14          **Section 39.11 Improper signs.**

15          ~~39.11.2.~~ (A) *Abandoned signs.*

16                 Any sign advertising a commodity or service previously  
17          associated with vacated or abandoned premises or a sign  
18          structure no longer displaying a sign advertising a commodity or  
19          service currently or previously associated with a premises shall  
20          be removed from the premises by the responsible party as defined  
21          in section 39.18-2 (A) no later than sixty (60) days from the  
22          time said activity ceases to exist at the premises.

23  
24                 (1) Removal shall include any sign structure and/or  
25                 foundation.

26                 (2) The façade or property shall be restored to original  
27                 condition following removal of a sign, sign structure  
28                 and/or sign foundation pursuant to this section.

29                 (3) In the event that the sign is a cabinet sign in a multi-  
30                 tenant center ~~that would otherwise meet the requirements~~  
31                 ~~of this chapter [article] and any applicable uniform~~

1 ~~sign plan, the panel advertising the previous business~~  
2 ~~or use shall be removed and a blank panel shall be~~  
3 ~~installed. in the cabinet for up to a 180 day period.~~  
4 ~~Upon the end of the 180-day period, the sign shall then~~  
5 ~~be deemed to be abandoned. In the event a blank panel is~~  
6 ~~not installed or if the sign does not otherwise meet~~  
7 ~~this chapter [article] and/or any applicable uniform~~  
8 ~~sign plan, the sign shall be considered abandoned after~~  
9 ~~sixty (60) days.~~

10  
11 ~~39.11.3.~~(B) *Dangerous or defective signs.*

12 No person shall maintain or permit to be maintained on any  
13 premises owned or controlled by him any sign which is in a  
14 dangerous or defective condition. Any such sign shall be removed  
15 or repaired by the owner of the sign or the owner of the  
16 premises, or as otherwise provided for in section 39.13 ~~(+)~~.

17  
18 ~~39.11.4.~~(C) *Unlawful signs.*

19 No person shall erect on any premises any signs which does  
20 not comply with the provisions of this code.

21  
22 ~~39.11.5.~~(D) *Signs without property owners consent.*

23 No person shall erect, construct or maintain any sign upon  
24 any property or building without the consent of the owner or  
25 person entitled to possession of the property or building if  
26 any, or their authorized representatives.

27  
28 **SECTION 12:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
29 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign

1 Code Section 39.12 Removal of improper signs is hereby  
2 amended to read as follows:  
3

4 **Section 39.12 Removal of Improper signs.**

5 ~~(Aa) Types of violations.~~ The city shall cause to be removed  
6 any sign that endangers the public safety such as an  
7 abandoned, dangerous or defective sign, or an unlawful  
8 sign.

9 ~~(Bb) Notice.~~ The City shall prepare a notice which states  
10 that if the sign is not removed or the violation is not  
11 corrected within ten (10) days, the sign shall be  
12 removed by the city in accordance with the provisions of  
13 this section.

14 (1) All notices mailed by the sign code inspector shall  
15 be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.

16 (2) Any time periods provided in the section shall be  
17 deemed to commence on the date of the receipt of the  
18 certified mail.

19 ~~(c) Recipient. For all signs, the~~

20 (3) The notice shall be mailed to the owner of the  
21 property on which the sign is located as shown on the  
22 last tax roll, if known, the

23 (4) The notice shall also be mailed or delivered to the  
24 owner of the sign and the occupant of the property, as  
25 well.

26 (5) The notice given by the city shall state not only the  
27 remedial action required to be taken, but shall also  
28 state that if such action is not taken within the  
29 time limits set forth in this article, the cost of  
30 correcting the unlawful feature of the sign or  
31 removing the sign may be assessed against the

1 property on which the signs is located, together with  
2 the additional five (5) per cent for inspection and  
3 incidental costs, and an additional ten (10) per cent  
4 penalty for the cost of collection and the same shall  
5 constitute a lien against the property on which the  
6 sign is situated.

7 (6)The owner of the premises or sign shall also be  
8 prosecuted for violating this code.

9  
10 **SECTION 13:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
11 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
12 Code Section 39.13 Emergency removal of signs by city is  
13 hereby amended to read as follows:  
14

15 **Section 39.13 Emergency removal of signs by city.**

16 (A)When it is determined by the city that a sign would  
17 cause an imminent danger to the public safety, and  
18 contact cannot be made with a sign owner or building  
19 owner, ~~no written notice shall have to be served. In~~  
20 this emergency situation, the city may remedy the  
21 situation by removing or repairing said sign, without  
22 providing written notice. ~~all costs begin assessed as~~  
23 ~~contained in the following subsections (a) through (c):~~

24 ~~(a)The notice given by the city shall state not only the~~  
25 ~~remedial action required to be taken, but shall also~~  
26 ~~state that if such action is not taken within the time~~  
27 ~~limits set forth in this article, the cost of correcting~~  
28 ~~the unlawful feature of the sign or removing the sign~~  
29 ~~may be assessed against the property on which the signs~~  
30 ~~is located, together with the additional five (5) per~~  
31 ~~cent for inspection and incidental costs, and an~~  
32 ~~additional ten (10) per cent penalty for the cost of~~  
33 ~~collection and the same shall constitute a lien against~~

1           ~~the property on which the sign is situated. The owner of~~  
2           ~~the premises or sign shall also be prosecuted for~~  
3           ~~violating this code.~~

4           (Bb) The In the event that the City removes a sign, the City  
5           shall mail a notice to the owner of said premises as  
6           shown by the tax rolls, at the address shown upon the  
7           tax rolls, by certified mail, return receipt requested,  
8           postage prepaid, notifying such owner that the work has  
9           been performed pursuant to this code, stating the date  
10          of performance of the work, the nature of the work, and  
11          demanding of payment of the costs thereof (as certified  
12          by the city), together with five (5) per cent for the  
13          inspection and the other incidental costs in connection  
14          therewith. Such notice shall state that if said amount  
15          is not paid within thirty (30) days of mailing the  
16          notice, it shall become a lien against the property of  
17          said owner, describing the same, and will additionally  
18          include a ten (10) per cent penalty for the cost of  
19          collection.

20          (Ce) Any sign removed by the city pursuant to the provisions  
21          of this section shall become the property of the eCity  
22          and may be disposed of in any manner deemed appropriate  
23          by the eCity. The cost of removal of the sign by the  
24          eCity shall be considered a debt owed to the eCity by  
25          the owner of the property and may be recovered in an  
26          appropriate court action by the eCity or by assessment  
27          against the property as hereinafter provided. The cost  
28          of removal shall include any and all incidental expense  
29          incurred by the eCity in connection with the sign's  
30          removal.

31  
32                 **SECTION 14:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
33                 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign

1 Code Section 39.14 Legal nonconforming signs, nonconforming  
2 signs, abandoned signs is hereby amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4

5 **Section 39.14. Legal nonconforming signs, nonconforming signs,**  
6 **abandoned signs.**

7 ~~39.14.1. Notice of nonconformity:~~

8 ~~Upon determination that a sign is nonconforming, the~~  
9 ~~inspector shall use reasonable efforts to so notify either~~  
10 ~~personally or in writing the user or owner of the property on~~  
11 ~~which the sign is located of the following: The sign's~~  
12 ~~nonconformity; and whether the sign is eligible for~~  
13 ~~characterization either as "legal nonconforming" or "unlawful."~~  
14 ~~Failing a determination of the sign owner, user or owner of the~~  
15 ~~property on which the sign is located, the notice may be affixed~~  
16 ~~in a conspicuous place to the sign or the business premises with~~  
17 ~~which the sign is associated. The inspector shall require new~~  
18 ~~sign permits to be issued for each existing sign classified as a~~  
19 ~~"legal nonconforming signs." A photograph of each sign so~~  
20 ~~classified shall be attached to the city's copy of permit~~  
21 ~~application.~~

22  
23 ~~39.14.2.(A) Legal nonconforming signs:~~

24 ~~Signs eligible for characterization as "legal~~  
25 ~~nonconforming." Any sign located in the city limits on January~~  
26 ~~8, 1997, or located in an area annexed to the city thereafter~~  
27 ~~which does not conform with the provisions of this code, is~~  
28 ~~eligible for characterization as a "legal nonconforming" sign~~  
29 ~~provided the sign was covered by a sign permit or variance at~~  
30 ~~the time of installation. on January 8, 1997, or the sign was in~~  
31 ~~compliance with all applicable provisions of the appropriate~~  
32 ~~sign code in effect prior to January 8, 1997. An "unlawful" sign~~  
33 ~~is a nonconforming sign that was not so authorized.~~

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~~39.14.3.~~ (B) *Loss of legal nonconforming status.*

A legal nonconforming sign shall immediately lose ~~it's~~ its legal nonconforming designation and shall be immediately brought into compliance with this code with a new permit secured or said sign shall be removed if:

(1a) The sign is altered in any way in structure or copy which tends to or makes the sign less in compliance with the requirements of this code than it was before the alteration (permitted changes include change of copy in changeable copy signs, changing or rotating of replaceable tenant panels in multi-tenant signs and normal maintenance including changing of face for maintenance provided copy or colors of face are not altered); or

(2b) The sign is relocated or moved; or

(3e) In the event the sign is damaged, in need of repair, remodeled or reconstructed to the extent that the cost of such repair, remodeling or reconstruction equals fifty (50) per cent or more of the original cost of the sign; or

(4d) The sign is replaced or abandoned.

~~On the happening of any one or more of (1), (b), (c), or (d), the sign shall be immediately brought into compliance with this code with a new permit secured or said sign shall be removed. Final determination shall be made by the sign inspector.~~

~~39.14.4.~~ (C) *Legal nonconforming sign maintenance and repair.*

1 Nothing in this section shall relieve the owner or user of  
2 a legal nonconforming sign or owner of the property on which the  
3 legal nonconforming sign is located from the provisions of this  
4 code regarding safety, maintenance and repair of signs. However,  
5 any repainting, cleaning and other normal maintenance or repair  
6 of the sign or sign structure or copy shall not cause the sign  
7 to become more nonconforming. If such maintenance causes the  
8 sign to be more nonconforming, the sign shall lose its legal  
9 nonconforming status.

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11 ~~39.14.5. Amortization or compliance date.~~

12 ~~———— Legal nonconforming signs so designated after the adoption~~  
13 ~~of this sign code on January 8, 1997, shall be altered to~~  
14 ~~conform to the provisions of these regulations as established in~~  
15 ~~the following table:~~

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(1)	<del>Pole and monument signs</del> <sup>1,2</sup>	<del>July 8, 2002</del>
(2)	<del>Wall and awning sign</del> <sup>2,3</sup>	<del>July 8, 2001</del>
(3)	<del>Painted signs</del>	<del>July 8, 1999</del>
(4)	<del>Compliance with approved uniform sign plan</del>	<del>July 8, 2002</del>
(5)	<del>Directional, under canopy, signs, general information, site directory, awning, building directory and neon signs</del>	<del>July 8, 2000</del>
(6)	<del>Real estate, model home, window miscellaneous temporary signs not otherwise mentioned</del>	<del>January 8, 1998</del>
(7)	<del>Flags, banners and other wind signs</del>	<del>January 8, 1997</del>

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18 <sup>1</sup>~~For the purposes of this section, changeable copy signs on pole~~  
19 ~~or monument signs shall be deemed pole or monument signs~~  
20 ~~respectively and changeable copy wall signs shall be deemed wall~~  
21 ~~signs.~~

<sup>2</sup>~~This section shall not affect off-premises signs whereby state or federal law require the city to reimburse owners for the value of their signs over and above the amortization provided herein.~~

<sup>3</sup>~~Except signs painted directly on a building. Such painted signs shall fall under the limitations of section 39.14 (1)(5)(3) of this article.~~

~~39.14.6. Permit fee waiver.~~

~~Permit fees may be waived for the installation of a sign determined by the city to be a replacement for a legal nonconforming sign for the same occupant, which is permitted prior to July 8, 1998. In order to be eligible for a fee waiver, the complex [in] which said sign is to be located must have registered with the city a city approved uniform sign plan and the sign must be in compliance with all provisions of said plan, if applicable (see section 39.10 ()). Permit fees for signs meeting the above criteria which are permitted between [before] July 8, 1999, shall have fifty (50) per cent of applicable permit fees waived. All signs permitted after July 8, 1999, shall be responsible for all associated permit fees.~~

**SECTION 15:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign Code Section 39.15 Permitting process is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 39.15. Permitting process.**

~~39.15.1(A) Permit required.~~

It shall be unlawful for any person to install, alter or cause to be installed or altered within the municipal boundaries of the City of Margate, any sign requiring such a permit,

1 whether permanent or temporary, without first having obtained a  
2 permit from the eCity. Said permit shall be issued by the city  
3 after determination has been made that all conditions of these  
4 regulations have been met. ~~Administrative policies shall set~~  
5 ~~procedures for the execution of these regulations of the sign~~  
6 ~~code for conforming and nonconforming signs. Failure to secure a~~  
7 ~~permit or to call for a final inspection as required by said~~  
8 ~~permit may result in a penalty equal [to] the fees specified~~  
9 ~~herein doubles; the payment of such doubled fees shall not~~  
10 ~~relieve any person or entity from complying with other~~  
11 ~~provisions of this article or from other penalties prescribed~~  
12 ~~herein.~~

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14 ~~39.15.2.~~ (B) *Permit application.*

15 Application for a permit shall be made to the eCity in  
16 writing upon forms provided by the eCity and shall state the  
17 following information:

18 (1a) Name, address and telephone number of the applicant.

19 (2b) Name, address and telephone number of the sign owner  
20 and owner of the property upon which the sign is  
21 proposed to be installed or affixed.

22 (3e) Location by street number and legal description (tract,  
23 block, lot) of the building, structure or lot to which  
24 or upon which the sign is proposed to be installed or  
25 affixed.

26 (4d) A drawing to scale showing the design of the sign,  
27 including dimensions, ~~sign~~ size, method of attachment,  
28 source of illumination, and showing the relationship to  
29 any building or structure to which it is, or is proposed  
30 to be installed or affixed, or to which it relates.

1 (5e) A fully dimensioned plot plan (or site plan), to scale,  
2 indicating the location of the sign relative to property  
3 lines, rights-of-way, streets, easements, sidewalks and  
4 other buildings or structures on the premises.

5 (6f) Number, size and location of all existing signs on the  
6 same building, lot or premises.

7 (7g) Sign copy.

8 (8h) Value of the sign.

9 (9i) Written permission ~~to erect the proposed sign~~ from the  
10 owner of the property on which the sign is proposed to  
11 be erected.

12 (10j) An elevation of the building on which said sign is to  
13 be located showing dimensions of the building and the  
14 sign as well as the proposed location of said sign.

15 (11k) If applicable, a copy of the uniform sign plan for the  
16 building or center.

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18 ~~39.15.3.~~ (C) *Permit fees.*

19 As a condition to the issuance of a permit, applications  
20 must be accompanied by the applicable fee, in accordance with  
21 section 9-21 ~~(+)~~ (Buildings - Schedule of Fees) of the Code of  
22 the City of Margate.

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24 ~~39.15.4.~~ (D) *Permit issuance.*

25 If, upon all applicable final ~~examinations~~ inspections  
26 (sign, electrical and/or structural), the city determines that  
27 an application is in conformance with the provisions of this  
28 chapter [article], the inspector shall cause a written  
29 certificate of completion to be issued. Said certificate of

1 completion shall be posted in a conspicuous location within any  
2 occupancy displaying signage in such a way that it may be  
3 readily inspected by any official of the eCity. In the event  
4 that the sign is permitted to the property owner and not a  
5 particular occupancy, the certificate of completion shall be  
6 presented to any official requesting such within seventy-two  
7 (72) hours. Failure to properly post or produce a certificate of  
8 completion in compliance with this section shall be prima facie  
9 evidence of failure to meet the requirements of this chapter  
10 [article].

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12 ~~39.15.5. Change of owner notification.~~

13 ~~Upon a change in the sign user, owner, or owner of the~~  
14 ~~property on which the sign is located, the new sign user, owner,~~  
15 ~~or new property owner shall notify the city of the change. The~~  
16 ~~owner of sign shall notify the city of any change of ownership~~  
17 ~~of a permitted sign. There will be no fee or permit associated~~  
18 ~~with such notification unless an alteration is made to the sign~~  
19 ~~structure or copy.~~

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21 **SECTION 16:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
22 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
23 Code Section 39.16 Signs exempt from permit requirements is  
24 hereby amended to read as follows:  
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26 **Section 39.16. Signs exempt from permit requirements.**

27 (A)The following signs shall be exempt from the permit  
28 requirements of this section. ~~All other provisions of~~  
29 ~~these regulations shall continue to apply. This~~  
30 ~~exemption in no way waives the requirements of~~  
31 ~~structural and/or safety requirements outlined by these~~  
32 ~~regulations and/or the South Florida Building Code:~~

1 (1~~a~~) Signs required by federal, state, county and/or  
2 municipal agencies.

3 (2~~b~~) Interior window signs (except illuminated window  
4 signs as provided for in section 39.8.77  
5 ~~(e)~~ (G) (3)).

6 (3~~e~~) Up to five (5) ~~Any one~~ temporary and signal-  
7 purpose signs, not exceeding six (6) ~~three (3)~~  
8 square feet on any residentially zoned property.  
9 ~~This subsection includes an election, real estate,~~  
10 ~~or personal gain sign.~~

11 (4~~d~~) Flags allowed under this code. Flag poles require  
12 a permit.

13 (5~~e~~) Nameplate, and building address signs.

14 (6~~f~~) Tablets, such as memorials, cornerstones, date ~~or~~  
15 of erection, when built into the walls of a  
16 building.

17 (7~~g~~) Professionally drawn or constructed general  
18 information signs, such as trespass signs, private  
19 driveway, no dumping and customer parking, when  
20 such signs do not exceed four (4) ~~three (3)~~ square  
21 feet in area each, are not illuminated, and do not  
22 project over a public right-of-way provided total  
23 number of signs on a property or in a complex will  
24 not exceed four (4), unless additional signs are  
25 required for compliance with state or federal  
26 regulations.

27 (8~~h~~) Changing of copy in permitted changeable copy  
28 signs.

29 (9~~i~~) Changing of directory listing in a permitted  
30 directory sign provided the size, style, and color

1 of the listing to be changed conforms with the  
2 existing lettering on the sign.

3 (~~10j~~) Traffic regulatory signs with approval from city  
4 engineer.

5 (~~11k~~) Special event signs and nonprofit sale signs as  
6 allowed in section 39.7.2(B)(7).

7 (12) Replacement tenant panels as provided in section  
8 39.8(O).

9 (13) Promotional advertising banners. Permanent poles  
10 for banners require a permit.

11 (14) Car dealership signs as provided for in section  
12 39.8(P).

13 (B) This exemption in no way waives the requirements of  
14 structural and/or safety requirements outlined by these  
15 regulations and/or the Florida Building Code.

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17 **SECTION 17:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
18 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
19 Code Section 39.17 Prohibited signs is hereby amended to  
20 read as follows:  
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22 **Section 39.17 Prohibited signs.**

23 The following signs are those signs which shall not be  
24 installed or displayed within ~~the municipal boundaries of the~~  
25 city unless specifically identified and permitted in other  
26 sections of these regulations:

27 (~~A1~~) Abandoned signs.

28 (~~B2~~) Advertising balloons or any windborne advertising or  
29 attention getting devices except as outlined in section  
30 39.7 and section 39.8-6(F).

1 (~~C3~~) Animated or flashing signs.

2 (~~D4~~) Banner signs except as a temporary grand opening sign  
3 or for approved special events, ~~or non-profit sales,~~  
4 academic schools or religious institutions (see section  
5 39.7 ~~(+)~~, "Temporary signs ~~sings~~").

6 (~~E5~~) Buntings, balloons and flags other than ~~(a) temporary~~  
7 ~~grand opening banner signs permitted in section 39.7 (-)~~  
8 ~~or (b) flags specifically permitted in section 39.8.6~~  
9 this article.

10 (~~F6~~) Obscene signs.

11 (~~G7~~) Off-premises signs and billboards, ~~(including off-~~  
12 ~~premises project directional. signs but not including~~  
13 ~~bench signs provided for in section 39.8.1 (C)).~~

14 (~~H8~~) Pole signs ~~sings~~.

15 ~~(9) Portable signs which are not being carried by any~~  
16 ~~individual.~~

17 ~~(10) Projecting signs.~~

18 (~~I11~~) Roof signs (except on a mansard) except where such  
19 sign is located on a parapet where the parapet is of  
20 uniform height across the entire frontage of the  
21 building.

22 (~~12) Sidewalk or sandwich signs that are not affiliated with~~  
23 ~~a sidewalk café which has been permitted by the City of~~  
24 ~~Margate.~~

25 (~~J13~~) Snipe signs.

26 (~~K14~~) Temporary signs and permanent signs (other than public  
27 interest signs) placed on any public property (a  
28 shopping center parking lot shall not be deemed public  
29 property for the purposes of enforcing this section).

1 (~~L15~~) Any sign that could be confused with a traffic signal.

2 (~~M16~~) Visible neon bulb, LED, or other bare bulb signs or  
3 building embellishment (except as provided for in  
4 section 39.8.7 (c)).

5 (~~N17~~) Any sign not permitted by this article.

6 (~~O18~~) Signs exceeding the height of a façade.

7 ~~(19) Any sign that is within four (4) feet of, and extends~~  
8 ~~over, the exterior surface of a window other than those~~  
9 ~~described in section 39.8.6 (b).~~

10 (~~P20~~) Vehicle signs when a vehicle displaying a vehicle sign  
11 is:

12 (1~~a~~) Parked for more than three hours in a 24 hour  
13 period within 100 feet of any public right-of-way;  
14 and

15 (2~~b~~) Visible from the street right-of-way that the  
16 vehicle is within 100 feet of; and

17 (3~~e~~) Not regularly "used in the conduct of the business  
18 advertised" on the vehicle (A vehicle used  
19 primarily for the purpose of advertising, or for  
20 the purpose of providing transportation for owners  
21 or employees of the occupancy advertised on the  
22 vehicle, shall not be considered a vehicle used in  
23 the conduct of business); and

24 (4~~d~~) Not parked in the rear of the parking lot or in  
25 the rear of the building which contains the  
26 business. On properties which do not provide a rear  
27 parking area, vehicle signs are parked in parking  
28 spaces immediately adjacent to the street right-of-  
29 way when other parking spaces are available on the  
30 premises, and are displayed in a manner that

1                   constitutes a prohibited sign per Section 39.17 of  
2                   the Margate Zoning Code.

3                   (This section is not intended to prohibit any form of  
4                   vehicular signage such as a sign attached to a bus,  
5                   lettered on a motor vehicle or attached to or  
6                   displayed from a taxicab which is not consistently  
7                   used as a stationary sign or advertisement. In the  
8                   instance where a sign advertising the sale of the  
9                   vehicle itself on the residential property of the  
10                  registered owner of the vehicle, said sign shall be  
11                  considered a personal gain sign and shall be subject  
12                  to all applicable provisions of such signs on the  
13                  owner's property. Furthermore vehicles displaying a  
14                  vehicle sign parked on properties with physical  
15                  constraints which cannot accommodate location  
16                  requirements provided for in sections 1-4 ~~a-d~~ above  
17                  shall be exempt from said requirements.)

18                  (~~Q21~~) Signs projecting horizontally in excess of twelve (12)  
19                  inches from the structure upon which it is constructed.

20                  (~~R22~~) Bench or bus shelter signs except those permitted by  
21                  section 39.8.1 ~~(e)~~ (A) (4).

22                  ~~(23) Changeable copy signs except as specifically permitted~~  
23                  ~~(see section 39.8.2).~~

24                  (~~S24~~) Signs painted directly upon any wall surface or  
25                  exterior of a door or window.

26                  ~~(25) Signs painted, affixed or otherwise attached to the~~  
27                  ~~surface of an opaque door when said sign is visible from~~  
28                  ~~outside the structure for periods exceeding five (5)~~  
29                  ~~continuous minutes at any time during a twenty-four-hour~~  
30                  ~~period except building address signs, or rear~~

1           ~~identification signs where said signs do not exceed one~~  
2           ~~square foot each.~~

3           (T26) Signs which are erected upon private property and  
4           extend into or above, or are anchored or placed in any  
5           portion of the right-of-way of a city street or public  
6           sidewalk, except grand projecting signs located in the  
7           Transit Oriented Corridor zoning districts.

8           ~~(27) Monument or freestanding signs, where otherwise~~  
9           ~~permitted, closer than one hundred fifty (150) feet to~~  
10           ~~another previously permitted and conforming monument,~~  
11           ~~freestanding or pole sign which is in conformance with~~  
12           ~~all the provisions and regulations of this article.~~

13           (U28) Signs attached to trees or other vegetative  
14           landscaping material.

15           ~~(29) Incidental signs attached or affixed in any way to any~~  
16           ~~pole, fence, bench, or freestanding structure other than~~  
17           ~~a building, or attached perpendicular to any wall other~~  
18           ~~than certification and affiliations signs as allowed in~~  
19           ~~section 39.8.15.~~

20           (V30) Signs that emit sound, odor, visible matter or project  
21           onto a structure or into the atmosphere any visual image  
22           by means of current or future technology including  
23           searchlights.

24           ~~(31) Signs, excluding any registered logo and/or logotype~~  
25           ~~registered with the State of Florida or U.S. Government,~~  
26           ~~which do not conform with uniform sign plan requirements~~  
27           ~~if applicable.~~

28           ~~(32) Signs attached to any awning or canopy except those~~  
29           ~~outlined in sections 39.8.3 and 39.8.9.~~

1 ~~(33)Balloons, flags, pennants, streamers, spinners, tinsel,~~  
2 ~~bunting, neon lights or other similar devices shall not~~  
3 ~~be applied to any building or structure, or strung on~~  
4 ~~wires, or otherwise used on any site except as otherwise~~  
5 ~~permitted in this article.~~

6 ~~(W34)Human signs, when the person holding a sign or other~~  
7 ~~display is seated, when the person holding a sign or~~  
8 ~~other display is seated or standing on a prop, and also~~  
9 ~~anytime a person shakes, swings, oscillates, waves,~~  
10 ~~rotates, twirls, or throws the sign or display. Human~~  
11 ~~signs shall not be permitted on any public street,~~  
12 ~~public median, or public swale. Human signs shall not be~~  
13 ~~permitted to hold or display any sign that is larger~~  
14 ~~than six (6) square feet in area.~~

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16 **SECTION 18:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
17 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
18 Code Section 39.18 Enforcement is hereby amended to read as  
19 follows:  
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21 **Section 39.18 Enforcement.**

22 ~~39.18.1.~~(A) Responsible parties.

23 The following parties shall be liable for any violation of  
24 this code:

25 (1)The individual or entity erecting or displaying a sign  
26 contrary to this code;

27 (2)The owner of the sign erected or displayed;

28 (3)The owner of the premises (other than any governmental  
29 entity) on which the sign has been unlawfully erected or  
30 displayed;

31 (4)The lessee (if any) of the premises;

1        (5)~~The person or entity contracted for erecting or~~  
2            displaying the sign if other than the owner of the sign,  
3            and;

4        (6)~~Any other person or entity in possession of said~~  
5            premises in which the sign has been erected or displayed  
6            unlawfully, ~~shall be liable for any violation of this~~  
7            ~~code.~~

8    ~~39.18.2.~~ (B) *Permit revocation.*

9            Any permit may be revoked at any time by the ~~e~~City upon a  
10          determination by a court of competent jurisdiction or code  
11          enforcement action that the sign is not in compliance with the  
12          provisions of this code. Further, if the sign authorized by any  
13          permit has not been constructed within the one hundred eighty  
14          (180) day period after the date of issuance of any permit or if  
15          there is no request for final inspection within one hundred  
16          eighty (180) days of the issuance of the permit then said permit  
17          shall automatically be revoked.

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19    ~~39.18.3.~~ (C) *Penalty.*

20            In addition to revocation of a sign permit, any violation  
21          of the provision of this ~~e~~Code shall be determined to be  
22          unlawful and punishable as prescribed in section 37.16 ~~(+)~~ of  
23          [Appendix A to] the Code of the City of Margate. Signs installed  
24          without a permit or those for which there is no request for  
25          final inspection within one hundred eighty (180) days of the  
26          issuance of the permit shall also be subject to double fee  
27          penalties.

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29    ~~39.18.4.~~ (D) *Civil remedies.*

1 (1a) Injunction and abatement. They eCity may initiate  
2 injunction or abatement proceedings or other appropriate  
3 action in a court of competent jurisdiction against any  
4 person who violates or fails to comply with any  
5 provision of this code or the erector, owner or user of  
6 an unlawful sign, or the owner of the property on which  
7 an unlawful sign is located, to prevent, enjoin, abate  
8 or terminate violations of this sign code and/or the  
9 erection, use of display of an unlawful sign.

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11 (2b) Should the city prevail in any civil action against a  
12 violator of this sign code, it shall be entitled to  
13 reasonable attorney's fees and all court costs therein.  
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15 ~~39.18.5.~~ (E) Assurance of discontinuance.

16 As an additional means of enforcing this eCode, the eCity  
17 may accept an assurance of discontinuance of any act or practice  
18 deemed in violation of this eCode or of any rule or regulation  
19 adopted pursuant hereto, from any person engaging in, or who has  
20 engaged in, such act or practice.

21 (1) Any such assurance shall accomplish specify a time limit  
22 during which such discontinuance is to be accomplished  
23 within ten (10) days of notice.

24 (2) Failure to perform the forms of any such assurance shall  
25 constitute prima facie proof of a violation of this sign  
26 code or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant thereto,  
27 which makes the alleged act or practice unlawful for the  
28 purpose of securing any injunctive relief from a court  
29 of competent jurisdiction.

1           **SECTION 19:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
2 Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article XXXIX Sign  
3 Code Section 39.19 Waivers is hereby amended to read as  
4 follows:  
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6 **Section 39.19 Waivers.**

7       ~~(A) Whereas it is the attempt of this sign code to reduce~~  
8       ~~the proliferation of the number, size and types of~~  
9       ~~signs, and whereas it has been determined that less-~~  
10       ~~obtrusive signs will ultimately lead to a healthier~~  
11       ~~economy within the City of Margate, therefore no No sign~~  
12       shall be permitted to be erected or displayed contrary  
13       to the provisions of this article unless a waiver is  
14       approved by a majority vote ~~in favor of granting such a~~  
15       ~~waiver by~~ of the members of the Board of Adjustment  
16       ~~Margate Community Redevelopment Agency Board if the~~  
17       ~~proposed sign is located within the Margate Community~~  
18       ~~Redevelopment Area or a majority of votes in favor of~~  
19       ~~granting such a waiver by the present members of the~~  
20       ~~Board of Adjustment is the sign is located in the city~~  
21       ~~but outside the Community Redevelopment Area.~~

22       (B) A decision to grant a waiver by the Board of Adjustment  
23       ~~either body~~ must be in conformance with the following  
24       criteria:

25       (1a) There is something unique about the building or site  
26       configuration that would cause the signage permitted  
27       by this article to be ineffective in identifying a  
28       use or structure that would otherwise be entitled to  
29       a sign.

30       (2b) The granting of a waiver is not contrary to the ~~plan~~  
31       ~~and~~ intent of the sign code ~~or may~~ the adopted  
32       community redevelopment plan or policies or the City  
33       of Margate Comprehensive Plan, the aesthetics of the

1 area, and does not create a nuisance or adversely  
2 affect ~~effect~~ any neighboring properties.

3 (C) Any person may petition the ~~Community Redevelopment~~  
4 ~~Agency Board or the~~ Board of Adjustment ~~(depending on~~  
5 ~~the proposed sign location)~~ for a waiver of the  
6 affecting provisions of this article provided they:

7 (1a) Complete a petition application form as provided  
8 by the Economic Development Department ~~city clerk~~;

9 (2b) Submit payment to the city in the amount  
10 specified by section 2-79 ~~(+)~~ of the Code of the  
11 City of Margate;

12 (3e) Prove that the proposed sign meets the criteria  
13 laid out above.

14 (D) ~~An exception to this sign code shall only be granted~~  
15 ~~pursuant to the above waiver provisions.~~ Any waiver  
16 may be conditioned on requirements deemed necessary  
17 in granting said waiver. Variances pursuant to any  
18 other code shall not be available for signs (as  
19 defined by this code). Except as provided herein,  
20 waivers as provided for in this section shall be  
21 heard and appealed pursuant to the procedures  
22 contained in section 2-79 ~~(+)~~ through section 2-81 ~~(+)~~  
23 of the Code of the City of Margate.

24 (E) Any waiver granted pursuant to this section shall  
25 become null and void if a building permit for the  
26 approved sign is not applied for within 180 days of  
27 the ~~written~~ ruling from the ~~Margate Community~~  
28 ~~Redevelopment Agency,~~ Board of Adjustment or Margate  
29 City Commission. Additionally, said waiver shall  
30 become null and void in the event that a permit  
31 expires or is revoked.

1           (F)All signs approved by this waiver process must be  
2           constructed and installed ~~as~~ per the information  
3           presented to the ~~Margate Community Redevelopment~~  
4           ~~Agency Board~~, Board of Adjustment and/or Margate City  
5           Commission both in writing and verbally. Failure to  
6           construct a sign per the information presented shall  
7           render the waiver null and void and any sign  
8           installed in its places shall be immediately removed.

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11           **SECTION 20:** The Code of Ordinances of the City of  
12           Margate, Florida, Appendix A Zoning, Article IX Transit  
13           Oriented Corridor - City Center, Section 9.14 signage is  
14           hereby amended to read as follows:  
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16 ~~Section 9.14. Signage.~~

17 ~~(A) Signage standards.~~

18           ~~1. One (1) address number no less than six (6) inches~~  
19           ~~in height, and no more than twelve (12) inches in~~  
20           ~~height shall be attached to all buildings in close~~  
21           ~~proximity to the principal entrance or at a mailbox.~~

22           ~~2. Each ground floor occupancy with an arcade, gallery,~~  
23           ~~or shopfront and awning type frontage may install one~~  
24           ~~(1) blade sign for each thirty (30) feet of building~~  
25           ~~frontage that has a direct entrance for customers.~~  
26           ~~Fractional portions shall not be considered for~~  
27           ~~additional blade sign(s). Businesses with less than~~  
28           ~~thirty (30) feet of building frontage may install one~~  
29           ~~(1) blade sign per building frontage with a direct~~  
30           ~~customer entrance, provided that no other blade sign~~  
31           ~~is within twenty (20) feet. Blade signs shall be~~  
32           ~~installed perpendicular to the façade. Blade signs~~  
33           ~~shall not exceed a total of six (6) square feet in~~  
34           ~~area. (See illustration 28, Signage).~~

1 ~~3. Signage may be lit externally, but only with~~  
2 ~~shielded light sources that prevent nuisance~~  
3 ~~lighting. No light source shall be permitted to face~~  
4 ~~or intrude upon any residential use.~~

5 ~~4. Grand projecting signs are only permitted on~~  
6 ~~building frontages facing corridor or regional~~  
7 ~~arterial roadways. See illustration 14, Recommended~~  
8 ~~Connections. One (1) grand projecting sign may be~~  
9 ~~permitted for ground-floor tenants with at least~~  
10 ~~twenty-five thousand (25,000) square feet of gross~~  
11 ~~area. Grand projecting signs may be illuminated and~~  
12 ~~permitted up to a maximum of forty-five (45) square~~  
13 ~~feet, not to exceed three (3) feet wide by fifteen~~  
14 ~~(15) feet tall, and shall not be permitted to~~  
15 ~~protrude into any public right-of-way. No portion of~~  
16 ~~a grand projecting sign shall be installed above~~  
17 ~~twenty-five (25) feet above the established grade,~~  
18 ~~nor shall any grand projecting sign protrude above~~  
19 ~~any roofline.~~

20 ~~5. Wall signs are permitted for ground-floor~~  
21 ~~occupancies on all building frontages with a direct~~  
22 ~~customer/guest entrance, at a size not to exceed one~~  
23 ~~(1) square foot of gross sign area per lineal foot of~~  
24 ~~building frontage. No illuminated or externally lit~~  
25 ~~signs are permitted to face residential uses.~~

26 ~~6. Each ground-floor tenant may install one (1)~~  
27 ~~projected sign for each thirty (30) feet of building~~  
28 ~~frontage that has a direct entrance for customers.~~  
29 ~~Fractional portions shall not be considered for~~  
30 ~~additional projecting sign(s). Businesses with less~~  
31 ~~than thirty (30) feet of building frontage may~~  
32 ~~install one (1) projecting sign per building frontage~~  
33 ~~with a direct customer entrance, provided that no~~

1 other projecting sign is within twenty (20) feet.  
2 Projecting signs shall be installed perpendicular to  
3 the façade. Projecting signs shall not be permitted  
4 to be installed under an arcade, gallery, or  
5 shopfront and awning type frontage overhang.  
6 Projecting signs shall not exceed a total of six (6)  
7 square feet. Projecting signs shall not be permitted  
8 to protrude into any public right-of-way, nor shall  
9 any projecting sign be internally illuminated.

10 7. Under awning signs shall be permitted up to two (2)  
11 square feet in area. One (1) under awning sign shall  
12 be permitted for each direct entrance to a ground  
13 floor tenant space. Under awning signs shall not be  
14 permitted where blade signs are utilized.

15 8. Awning valance signs, awning face signs, and awning  
16 side signs shall be permitted in only one (1) color  
17 per building except for signs utilizing registered  
18 trademarks, logos, and/or logotypes. Awning signs may  
19 be permitted up to fifty (50) per cent of total  
20 awning area. Awning signs are not required to comply  
21 with subsection 39.3.1(j) of the Margate Zoning Code.

22 9. Building identification wall signs are only  
23 permitted on building frontages facing corridor or  
24 regional arterial roadways. See Illustration 14,  
25 Recommended Connection. Building identification wall  
26 signs must be installed within five (5) feet of the  
27 top of the façade, and no less than twenty (20) feet  
28 above the established grade. No building  
29 identification wall sign shall be permitted above the  
30 main roofline of a building. Building identification  
31 wall signs shall utilize a maximum letter height of  
32 twenty-four (24) inches for one and two-story  
33 buildings. An additional six (6) [inches] of letter

1 height shall be permitted for each additional story.  
2 The maximum width of a building identification wall  
3 sign shall be fifty (50) per cent of the building  
4 frontage on which they are installed.

5 10. Temporary signs shall be permitted in accordance  
6 with the regulations of Article XXXIX Signs Code.

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8 **SECTION 21.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in  
9 conflict herewith are, and the same is, here by repealed to  
10 the extent of such conflict.

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12 **SECTION 22.** If any section, clause or phrase of this  
13 ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a  
14 court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in  
15 no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of  
16 this ordinance.

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18 **SECTION 23.** It is the intention of the City Commission  
19 that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be  
20 made a part of the City of Margate Code, and that the  
21 sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered  
22 and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section",  
23 "article" or such other appropriate word or phrase in order  
24 to accomplish such intentions.

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26 **SECTION 24.** This ordinance shall become effective  
27 immediately upon adoption at its second reading.

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29 PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2014.

30 PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2014.

31 ATTEST:

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35 JOSEPH J. KAVANAGH  
CITY CLERK

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MAYOR JOANNE SIMONE

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RECORD OF VOTE - 1ST READING RECORD OF VOTE - 2ND READING

Talerico	_____	Talerico	_____
Bryan	_____	Bryan	_____
Ruzzano	_____	Ruzzano	_____
Simone	_____	Simone	_____
Peerman	_____	Peerman	_____