



# City of Margate

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## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and City Commission

**FROM:** Douglas E. Smith, City Manager

**DATE:** June 17, 2015

### CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE ARTICLE XXXIX. SIGN CODE OF THE MARGATE ZONING CODE.

**BACKGROUND:** The City Commission held two workshops on August 28, 2014 and October 2, 2014 to provide guidance on updating the entire sign code. Revisions to the code create flexible and various signage opportunities for residential and nonresidential properties. Re-formatting of the code has removed repetitiveness and provides greater clarity.

Possible revisions to the Ordinance regarding vehicle signs can be discussed at the meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Development Review Committee recommended approval on May 26, 2015 with concerns regarding changes to window signs, temporary signs on residential properties, and the addition of promotional advertising banners. The Committee was concerned that the changes for these types of signs may be too permissive.

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval on June 2, 2015 with a few revisions to window signs, temporary signs and grand opening banners.

From the two City Commission workshops, the following directions were given:

- 1) Window signs could be a maximum of 75% coverage
- 2) Residential temporary signs could stay in place for a maximum of twelve (12) consecutive months

Based on similar concerns from the DRC and Planning & Zoning Board, these items have been modified in the ordinance after the Planning and Zoning Board meeting.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

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