

ORDINANCE NO.: 2014- 39
INTRODUCED BY: MR. MUSCENTI

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AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTIONS 1107.19, 1301.14, 1143.03(p) AND 1143.14(c) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS TO MORE SPECIFICALLY DEFINE THE TERM "SIGNS" AND TO CLARIFY THE METHOD OF MEASURING SIGN AREA.

WHEREAS, this Council desires to amend Sections 1107.19, 1301.14 and 1143.03(p) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village to more specifically define what constitutes "signs" and to make such definition consistent in the Planning and Zoning Code and the Building Code; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to amend Section 1143.14(c) to clarify the method of measuring the area of a sign; and

WHEREAS, Council has referred this Ordinance to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a report and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, Council has held a public hearing on this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Section 1107.19, "Sign," of Chapter 1107, "Definitions," of the Codified Ordinance of the Village of Chagrin Falls, be and is hereby amended as follows:

"1107.19 SIGN.

"Sign" means any visual communication including but not limited to any writing, pictorial representation, illustration, emblem, symbol, design, drawing, mural, banner, flag, placard, pennant, poster or other similar device that is visible from a dedicated right of way or other public place and is used for purposes of advertisement, announcement, declaration, demonstration, identification or expression or directing attention to a person, institution, organization, business, activity, place, object or product designed to be seen from an outdoor location and used to convey a message."

SECTION 2. That Section 1301.14, "Sign," of Chapter 1301, "Definitions," of the Building Code of the Village of Chagrin Falls, be and is hereby amended as follows:

"1301.14 SIGN.

"Sign" means any visual communication including but not limited to any writing, pictorial representation, illustration, emblem, symbol, design, drawing, mural, banner, flag, placard, pennant, poster or other similar device that is visible from a dedicated right of way or other public place and is used for purpose of advertisement, announcement, declaration,

demonstration, identification or expression or directing attention to a person, institution, organization, business, activity, place, object or product device or surface on which letters, illustrations, designs, figures or any other symbols are painted, printed or stamped, raised or in any manner outlined or attached and used for display.”

SECTION 3. That Subsection (p) of Section 1143.03, “Definitions and References,” of Chapter 1143, “Signs,” of the Codified Ordinance of the Village of Chagrin Falls, be and is hereby amended as follows:

“1143.03 DEFINITIONS AND REFERENCES.

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(p) “Sign” means any visual communication including but not limited to any writing, pictorial representation, illustration, emblem, symbol, design, drawing, mural, banner, flag, placard, pennant, poster or other similar device that is visible from a dedicated right of way or other public place and is used for purposes of advertisement, announcement, declaration, demonstration, identification or expression or directing attention to a person, institution, organization, business, activity, place, object or product designed to be seen from an outdoor location and used to convey a message.

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SECTION 4. That Subsection (c) of Section 1143.14, “General Provisions,” of Chapter 1143, “Signs,” of the Codified Ordinance of the Village of Chagrin Falls, be and is hereby amended as follows:

“1143.14 GENERAL PROVISIONS.

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(c) Measurement Standards. The area of any sign shall be measured to include the area of the smallest single rectangle enclosing all elements of the sign, including the letters, or characters, designs, graphics and the space between the elements of the sign. For ground (pole) signs with the two sides in parallel, back-to-back arrangement, only one side of the sign shall be included in the measurement of the area. In determining the location of a sign in relation to lot lines, distances shall be measured from the vertical projection of the lot line to the closest point on the sign. The height of a ground sign shall be measured to the top of the sign panel. The supporting structure may extend a maximum of two feet above the sign panel.

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SECTION 5. That existing Sections 1107.19, 1301.14, 1143.03(p) and 1143.14(c) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls, and any other ordinance in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. That actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council

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and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements, including Chapter 114 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls.

SECTION 7. That in accordance with Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls, public notice of this Ordinance shall be given by posting a copy thereof for not less than fifteen (15) days in the Village Hall.

SECTION 8. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: October 13, 2014



Council President


Submitted to the Mayor for
his approval on this
14 day of October, 2014

Approved by the Mayor
October 14, 2014



Mayor

I hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2014-39 was duly enacted on the 13 day of October, 2014, by the Council of the Village of Chagrin Falls and posted in accordance with Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Chagrin Falls.



Clerk of Council