



Chapter 155 Sign Code Text Amendment (P24-016)

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This is a city-initiated amendment to Chapter 155, “Sign Code”, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Port St. Lucie. We consider this a housekeeping item.

Staff has updated the sign code to provide clarification on exemptions, correct a scrivener’s error, and provide additional freestanding signs for larger developments.

Modification Request

- Clarifying or spelling updates – 155.01 (E) - 155.03 (A)&(C) – 155.04 (B)(4, 7, 13-17, & 19) – 155.05 (G) – 155.06 (F) – 155.08 (D)(i).
- Additional freestanding sign for larger developments - 155.08 (H)
- Scrivener's error – Table D.

Modification Request

- Chapter 155 was modified to clarify that public signs are exempt. Section 155.03 and Section 155.04 (B) (13) was updated to support this clarification.
- Section 155.04(B) was updated to clarify what regulations shall be followed by each sign type that is exempt from the sign permitting process.
- Section 155.04(B)(7) was updated to clarify that credit card signs are not counted towards the permitted façade square footage. For example, an ATM machine in the wall of a commercial building may have a credit card sign that is limited to twenty-four (24) square inches each or an aggregate of ninety-six (96) square inches per business premises and that will not count in the calculation of permitted façade signage.
- Section 155.06 (F) has been updated to remove the restriction on residential neighborhood entry signs having lighting.

Modification Request

- Section 155.08 (H) was updated to grant the ability for commercial, institutional, and industrial complexes of three (3) acres and over to have one additional freestanding sign on the primary frontage street with over two hundred forty (240) linear feet of frontage. This is what is already permitted for commercial, institutional, and industrial complexes of less than three (3) acres.
- Section 155.08 (E)(2) has regulations for façade signage that is also detailed in Table “D”. A Scrivener's error was made on the table during the last amendment. Table D has been updated to properly reflect the regulations of square footage permitted listed in Section 155.08 (E)(2).
- There were other miscellaneous clarifying changes made thought the Chapter as listed in the Staff Report.

Recommendation

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the staff-initiated text amendment at their regular meeting of June 3, 2025.