

Town of Falmouth Community Development Department 271 Falmouth Road Falmouth, ME 04105

Memorandum

Date: April 5, 2012 To: Town Council

From: Amanda L. Stearns, Community Development Director

Cc: Nathan A. Poore, Town Manager

Theo Holtwijk, Director of Long-Range Planning

FEIC

Re: Ordinance Amendments for Signage

The attached amendments to the Code of Ordinances and the Zoning and Site Plan Review Ordinance accomplish several things.

- 1. Implement the provisions for temporary advertising signs as developed by the FEIC.
- 2. Move all provisions for temporary signs to the Code of Ordinances.
- 3. Provide for an exemption for municipal signs or signs placed on municipally owned or controlled property.
- 4. Make minor adjustments to the provisions for other types of temporary signs to keep the overall provisions consistent as follows:
 - a. Add a definition for Bulletin Board.
 - b. Amend the definition of temporary sign.
 - c. Remove administration for temporary signs from the Zoning Ordinance.
 - d. Add a specific definition for temporary free standing sign to include A-frames.
 - e. Apply the penalties to all temporary signs.
 - f. Clarify that other types of temporary signs are not permitted in the public right-of-way.
 - g. Add the height restriction of ten feet to all temporary free standing signs.

The schedule for consideration by the Council is:

April 9 – Introduction

May 1 – MRA Hearing for the Zoning Ordinance piece [Code of Ordinance amendments do not require a hearing]

May 15 – Council Hearing

May 29 – Council Order