

## Chatham County Off-Premise Sign Ordinance Amendments

### Article VIII MAINTENANCE

#### 106.00 Maintenance.

- A. The following maintenance requirements must be observed for all off-premise signs visible from any public street or highway within the jurisdiction of this Article:

~~(5) If a sign is damaged such that more than fifty (50) percent of the value is lost, with such determination made by the sign administrator, any repair or replacement must be done in conformance with this Article.~~

- B. The sign administrator may inspect all signs for compliance with these maintenance requirements.

100.16 Non-conforming Sign. Signs that are erected and in place prior the adoption of this ordinance and which do not conform to the provisions of this ordinance are declared non-conforming signs. A sign that is erected and that is in place and which conforms to the provisions of the sign ordinance at the time it is erected, but which does not conform to an amendment to this ordinance enacted subsequent to the erection of said sign is declared a non-conforming sign.

#### 109.00 Non-conforming Signs.

- A. All legal, non-conforming, off-premise signs as herein defined in Section 100.16 are permitted to continue.

B. Any off-premise sign may be replaced, repaired or relocated on the property it is located, provided that the replaced, repaired or relocated off-premise sign does not exceed the size (square footage) or height of the original sign.

- ~~BC.~~ All legal, non-conforming, off-premise signs are permitted to continue, provided signs shall conform to the provisions in Sections A and B above and shall not be:

~~(1) Changed, altered or replaced by another non-conforming sign, except that copy may be changed on an existing sign;~~

~~(2) Expanded or modified in any way which increases the sign's non-conformity;~~

~~(3) Relocated, except in conformance with the requirements of this ordinance;~~

~~(4) Re-established after it has been removed or has been abandoned for 180 days or more;~~

~~(5) Re-established after damage or destruction if such damage to the sign exceeds fifty percent (50%) of the sign's current assessed tax value. The extent of damage shall be determined by the sign administrator.~~