

**CITY OF JORDAN
ORDINANCE 2019-04**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 154 ZONING BY
AMENDING SIGN ORDINANCE SECTIONS 154.243 PROHIBITED SIGNS,
154.244 GENERAL PROVISIONS, 154.248 SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AND 154.259
DEFINITIONS**

Subdivision 1. Purpose. City Code Chapters 154.241 through 154.260 address sign regulation in The City of Jordan. Existing City Code language does not adequately govern requirements for maintenance of painted signage or contain guidance for murals of a commercial nature painted on building façades in the City.

Subdivision 2. Amendment. NOW BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Jordan that Section 154.242 Exempt Signs, 154.243, subparagraph (L), Section 154.244, Section 154.248, and Section 154.259 of the Jordan City Code are hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 154.242

The following signs are exempt from the provisions of this subchapter:

- (A) Signs up to 8 square feet in size.
- (B) Temporary signs pertaining only to a property upon which it is displayed. Such signs shall not exceed 10 square feet for residential property or 40 square feet for other properties. One sign shall be permitted for each lot and must be removed within 30 days.

These exemptions do not apply to murals and commercial murals.

SECTION 154.243

- (L) Commercial murals are prohibited in all districts except for the Central Business District and Highway Commercial Districts.

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- (B) Sign maintenance.
 - (1) Painting. The owner of any sign shall be required to have such a sign properly painted including all parts and supports of the sign, unless such parts or supports are galvanized or otherwise treated to prevent rust.
 - (4) Any sign which becomes structurally unsafe or endangers the safety of a building or premises or endangers the public safety shall be repaired or removed by the owner, agent, or person having beneficial use of the building, structure or land on which the sign is located. Unsafe signs must be repaired or removed within twenty-four (24) hours after notification.

- (5) Unsightly signs. Unsightly signs must be repaired or removed within fifteen (15) days of notification. In the case of murals or commercial murals, removal shall include a complete repainting of the background on which the mural or commercial mural was painted, or a complete removal of all paint to reveal an exterior finish compatible with surrounding surfaces, so that no part of the sign is any longer recognizable.

SECTION 154.248

- (H) Commercial murals. Commercial murals in the Central Business and Highway Commercial Districts and require a Conditional Use Permit subject to the following conditions:
- (1) Paint. High quality exterior paint must be used in the painting or repainting of a commercial mural. If part or all of the commercial mural is to cover brick vapor-permeable paint is required.
 - (2) Repainting. The sign must be repainted after a period no greater than every 5 years.
 - (3) Obsolete Sign. Should the sign become obsolete, the owner, agent, or person having beneficial use of the commercial mural is responsible for matching the area covered by the sign with the surrounding façade or for complete removal so that none of the commercial mural remains.
 - (4) The proposed commercial mural shall comply with any other relevant provisions of the zoning code or any design standards manual for the applicable zoning district.

SECTION 154.259

Mural. Any mosaic, painting, or graphic art or combination thereof, not containing a commercial message, which is applied to a building.

Commercial Mural. Any mosaic, painting, or graphic art or combination thereof applied to a building containing a commercial message advertising or promoting any business, product, activity, or service.

Sign. Any written message, pictorial presentation, number, illustration, decoration, flag, mural, commercial mural, banner or other device that is used to announce, direct attention to, identify, advertise or otherwise make anything known. The term SIGN shall not include landscaping or the architectural embellishment of a building not intended to communicate information. For purposes of maintenance or removal, the term SIGN shall also include frames and support structure.

Unsightly Sign. A condition in which the sign has deteriorated to the point where at least one-fourth (¼) of the surface area of the name, identification, description, display, illustration or other symbol is no longer clearly recognizable at a distance of twenty (20) feet; or where paint is peeling, chipping or flaking from the structure surface; or where the sign has developed significant rust, corrosion, rotting or other deterioration in the physical appearance, or is so faded that it is not clearly recognizable at a distance of twenty (20) feet; or where an illuminated electrical sign is no longer in proper working order

TABLE A: SIGN AND HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS

Table A shall be amended to include “Commercial Murals” in the column titled “Other Signs” at rows for Districts C-2 and C-3.

Subdivision 3: Effective Date. This ordinance is effective immediately following its publication in the official newspaper of the City.

ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Jordan, Scott County, Minnesota
this 5 day of August, 2019.

Tanya Velishek, Mayor

ATTEST:

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