



DOVER PLANNING BOARD



Sign Ordinance Review Committee

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PLANNING BOARD SIGN COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Sign Committee is to review the City's sign ordinance, research current industry standards and the sign regulations of other communities, ensure that the sign ordinance balances the needs of our business community with the safety, health and welfare of the community, and to propose amendments to the Zoning Ordinance as needed to develop sign regulations that are current, comprehensive and user friendly.





- GOALS: (Agenda Item this morning)
 - Identify and review sign ordinances
 - Hold public hearings (Citizens Forums)
 - Select a local sign company to prepare a presentation on sign technologies to include:
 - Wall signs
 - Hanging/Projecting signs
 - Electronic signs
 - Signs in Form Based Code district
 - Identify sign types not in definitions
 - Prepare and present a final report to the Planning Board





SIGN REGULATIONS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION ACT 1965

SIGN ORDINANCE CHAPTERS NEED TO BE CLEAR AND UP TO DATE





- NUMEROUS AMENDMENTS OVER THE YEARS
- RECENT SIGN ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS 2009, 2010, 2012 & 2013
- CURRENTLY, DIGITAL SIGNS ARE NOT ALLOWED
- EXISTING SIGNS WERE GRANDFATHERED AT TIME OF AMENDMENTS
- FORM BASED CODE ENACTED-Mill Motif
- TEMPORARY SIGN ORDINANCE AMENDED IN 2013





GATEWAYS





PORTSMOUTH CIRCLE







York Maine







NO UNIQUE GATEWAY AT ANY OF DOVER'S EXIT OFF RAMPS





EXAMPLES FROM CITY OF DOVER SIGN INVENTORY





INFORMATIONAL SIGNS





MUNICIPAL AND COMMERCIAL













VARIETY OF TEMPORARY SIGNS

MESSAGE BOARDS

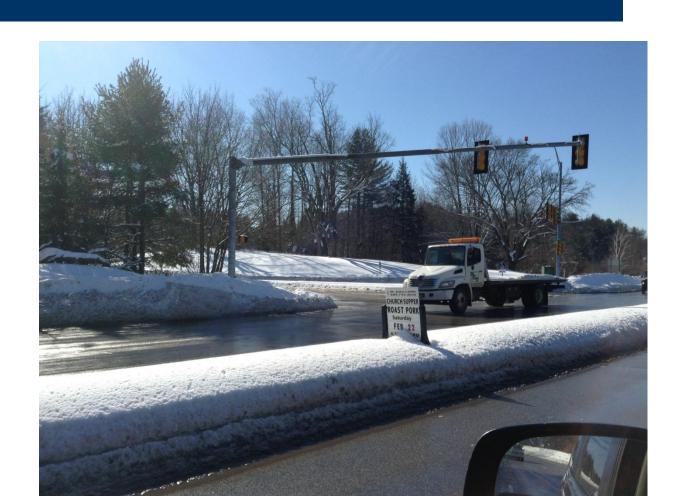


























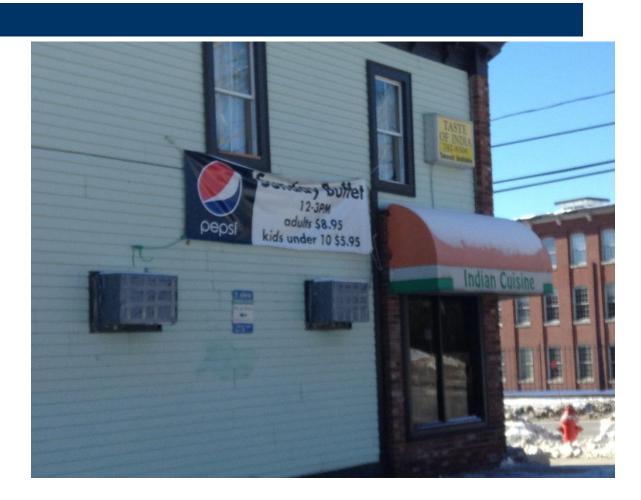




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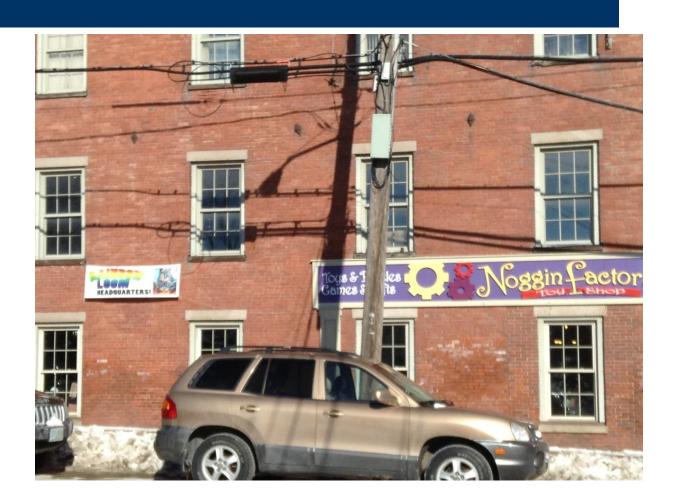
















CREATIVE SIGNAGE? LOOPHOLES?

















EXAMPLES OF EXISTING AND GRANDFATHERED SIGNS IN DOVER





SILVER STREET SHELL







SILVER ST IRVING







FEDERAL SAVINGS







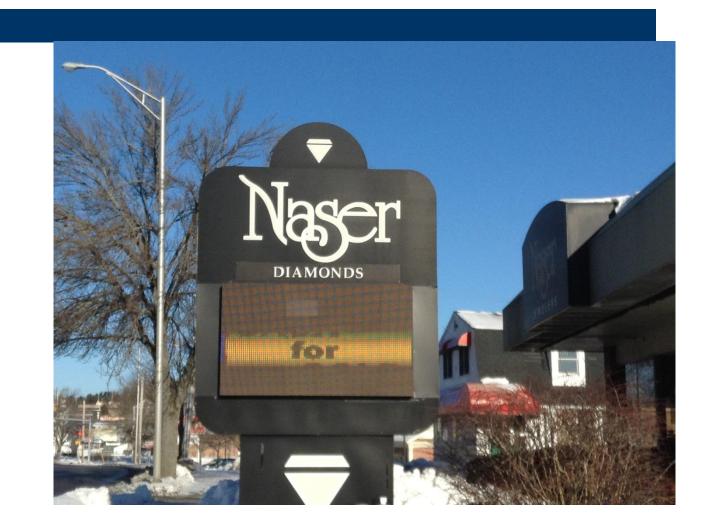
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MUCH TALKED ABOUT SIGN







SURROUNDING TOWNS MORE LIBERAL SIGN ORDINANCE?

EXAMPLES OF WHAT WE MAY NOT WANT?





MOBIL STATION IN ROCHESTER







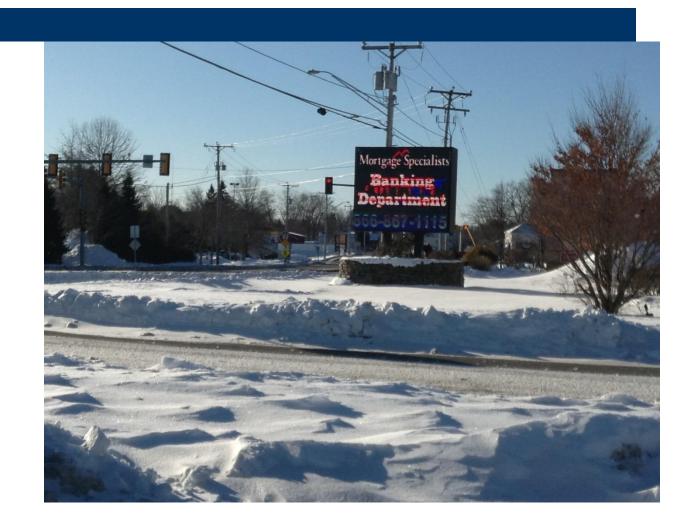
ROCHESTER GAS STATION







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CLEARY CLEANERS ROCHESTER







CLEARY FLASHING SIGN







IS THERE A BUILDING HERE?







INITIAL LIST OF ORDINANCE CHAPTERS FOR REVIEW

- 170-32 SIGNS AND FENCES
- LIST OF DEFINITIONS
- ZONING TABLES
- APPENDICES (Sign)

TIM CORWIN WILL SPEAK AS THE STAFF MEMBER IN CHARGE OF SIGN ENFORCEMENT





RECOGNIZE PLANNING DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE VISION ENFORCEMENT DOVER IS A BETTER PLACE AS A RESULT OUR CHALLENGE IS TO DETERMINE IF IT CAN BE MADE EVEN BETTER





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