

# **Grand Terrace Sign Ordinances**

## **General Rules**

You need to obtain a sign permit. You must submit a completed application; a site plan, with three blueline copies which shall be a fully dimensioned drawing clearly showing the components; elevations, three blueline copies; construction plans, three blueline copies. For more, view the city code at 18.80.040 – Submittal process.

## **Public Right of Way**

Signs on the public right-of-way are prohibited. Exceptions only apply to agency real estate signs for sale or directional when applicant has prior written consent of property owner. Real estate signs should follow number, size and height guidelines and are exempt from permits. For more information, view the city code at 18.80.110 – General standards.

## **Prohibited Signs**

Roof signs; animated signs; signs on the public right-of-way (except as provided for in this chapter, Section 18.80.110); Signs blocking door or fire escapes. For more information, view the city code at 18.80.160 – Prohibited signs.

## **Real Estate Signs**

Are exempt from the application, permit and fee requirements of this chapter. An electrical or building permit may, however, be required. A. Real estate signs for residential sales or rent not exceeding four square feet in area or five feet in height, provided it is unlit and is removed within fifteen days after the close of escrow or the rental or lease has been accomplished. For more information, view the city code at 18.80.170 – Exempt signs.

## **Penalties**

18.80.080 – Enforcement. It shall be the responsibility of the city's code enforcement officer to enforce all the provisions of this chapter. Additionally, illegal signs within the public right-of-way may be summarily abated by the city and held, pending notification of the owner by the city. The owner may obtain the sign from the city upon payment to the city of any storage and removal charge that may have been incurred by the city.

### 18.80.110 - Exempt signs.

Signs on property for sale or lease as follows:

a.

On residential property, one sign not exceeding four square feet and not exceeding a height of five feet.

b.

On multi-family property with more than 12 dwelling units, one sign per street frontage, not exceeding 24 square feet in area attached to the building or freestanding. All signs shall be located outside the public right-of-way and shall not be illuminated.

c.

On nonresidential and mixed-use property, one sign per street frontage, not exceeding 32 square feet in area or eight feet in height. The sign shall not be illuminated. One noncommercial flag per street frontage, per property.

3.

Window signs consistent with the development standards of this Chapter.

(Ord. No. [296](#), § 1, 7-12-2016)

- Broker must obtain permit for agents open house signs
- Broker can have up to 25 signs
- If the broker has a business license within the city, the sign fee is waived.
- If no license is obtained, 1 sign may be placed on private property. (12 ft back) for up to 24 hours.