

10-14-3: ENFORCEMENT:

- A. Building Inspector: The building inspector is hereby vested with the duty of enforcing these regulations, and, in the performance of such duty, is empowered to the following directives:
1. To issue permits to construct, alter or repair signs which conform to this chapter;
 2. To ascertain that all signs, construction or maintenance of any sign is in conformance with this chapter and the conditions imposed precedent to the issuance of a conditional use permit, if applicable;
 3. To issue a notice of violation to the person having charge, control or benefit of any sign found by the building inspector to be unsafe or dangerous or in violation of this chapter or the ordinances of the city;
 4. To institute any appropriate action or proceeding in any case where any sign is erected, constructed, reconstructed, altered, repaired, converted or maintained, or in any case where any sign is used in violation of any ordinance of the city, including, but not limited to, this title, in order to prevent such unlawful erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, conversion, maintenance or use, and to restrain, correct or abate such violation.
 5. To abate and remove any unsafe or dangerous sign which is not repaired or made safe within five (5) working days after giving appropriate notice to the person having charge, control or benefit of any such sign.
 - a. In such an event, the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign shall pay to the city the costs incurred in such removal within thirty (30) calendar days after written notice is mailed to such person.
 - b. Upon failure to pay the costs incurred in abating and removing an unsafe or dangerous sign, the city may place a lien against property owned by the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign to assure compliance with this provision. This provision for abatement and removal shall not apply to any sign for which a notice of violation is being appealed to the board of adjustment.
 6. To abate and remove any illegal sign other than unsafe or dangerous signs which are not made conforming within thirty (30) working days after giving appropriate notice to the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign.
 - a. In such an event, the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign shall pay to the city the cost incurred in such removal within thirty (30) calendar days after written notice is mailed to such person.
 - b. Upon failure to pay the costs incurred in abating and removing an illegal sign, the city may place a lien against property owned by the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign to assure compliance with this provision. This provision for

abatement and removal shall not apply to any sign for which a notice of violation is being appealed to the board of adjustment.

7. To abate and remove any nonmaintained or abandoned sign which is not repaired or put into use within ten (10) working days after giving appropriate notice to the person having charge, control or benefit of any such sign.

a. In such an event, the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign shall pay to the city the costs incurred in such removal within thirty (30) calendar days after written notice is mailed to such person.

b. Upon failure to pay the costs incurred in abating and removing a nonmaintained or abandoned sign, the city may place a lien against property owned by the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign to assure compliance with this provision. This provision for abatement and removal shall not apply to any sign for which a notice of violation is being appealed to the board of adjustment. (1995 Code § 75-6-1)

B. Notice Requirements: Notification by the building inspector to persons having charge, control or benefit of any sign found by the building inspector to be unsafe or dangerous or in violation of this title or other ordinances of the city, and where the city is contemplating removal of said sign, shall be accomplished by the city utilizing written notices sent through the registered mail. Any such notice shall state the exact nature of the violation, the exact time and date by which the noncomplying condition or use must be remedied, and the appeals procedure by which the person having charge, control or benefit of such sign may appeal the decision of the building inspector. (1995 Code § 75-6-2)

C. Sign Permit And Fee Required: All signs hereafter erected within the city shall be erected, reconstructed or remodeled only in accordance with the authority of the sign permit issued by the city. Application for a sign permit shall be made to the building inspector and shall be accompanied by a fee. Such fee shall be established by resolution of the city council. A sign permit shall be issued by the building inspector if the proposed sign is found to be in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and other ordinances of the city. (1995 Code § 75-6-3)

D. Reinspection Fee: In the event that a notice of violation is issued, a reinspection fee shall be charged to defray the costs of reinspection. Said reinspection fee shall be charged for each inspection required until applicable regulations of the city are complied with. The amount of the fee shall be established by resolution of the city council. (1995 Code § 75-6-4)

