

City Council Resolution

Temporary Signs

The City of St. Marys Mayor and Council resolves that temporary signs may be placed in the median right-of-way strip starting at the 400 block of Osborne Street and ending at the 100 block of Osborne Street or along the Osborne Street east or west right-of-way starting at the 1000 block of Osborne Street and ending on the 500 block of Osborne Street when meeting the following conditions:

1. A maximum of five median signs in any one median, spaced evenly along the median as determined by the City of St. Marys.
2. No more than one sign at each corner of an intersection for non-median signs.
3. There is a limit of one temporary sign per business frontage along Osborne Street. Businesses with multiple occupants may share a sign. A second sign for a structure with multiple businesses occupying a single structure may be considered if an extra space is available.
4. Only commercial businesses may utilize temporary signs.
5. Temporary signs may only be used to identify and locate businesses, no advertising permitted. No supplemental sign, notice, flag, balloon or other decoration shall be attached to a temporary sign.
6. Temporary signs may have the following information included on the sign:
 - a. Name (Example: Bev's Bed and Breakfast)
 - b. An arrow pointing in the direction of the business
 - c. Telephone number
 - d. Business logo
7. Businesses operating off of Osborne Street will have priority in using a median sign space.
8. More than one business may utilize an existing sign space by combining onto one sign and meeting all other sign requirements.
9. The City will install a loop attached into the ground at the specific spots designated for temporary signs. All temporary signs will have a chain secured to the sign such that the sign can be attached to the loop to prevent the sign from being blown into the roadway.

The loop will also identify the location for the temporary sign. Locations will be assigned to a business and cannot be changed without approval from the Planning Director.

10. Signs may be installed during a business' normal working hours. Signs will be removed when a business is closed.
11. Signs must be permitted through the Planning Department at a cost of \$10.00 per sign. Permits are valid from January 1 through December 31 of each year. Permits must be renewed each year. Permits will be renewed by contacting the Planning Director and signing and dating the original permit request at no cost to the applicant. Changes in potential locations or sign upgrades may be addressed at this time.
12. Signs must be 24 inches wide by 30 inches tall, two-sided sandwich board style connected at the top, freestanding and capable of being attached to the ground with a chain. Signs must remain on the ground and may not be elevated. Signs may not be attached to a public appurtenance or sidewalk. Signs shall not be affixed to or mounted on wheels.
13. Temporary signs must be manufactured to a professional standard of construction, finish and graphics. Signs cannot be painted in a style resembling traffic or construction signs.
14. Signs shall not be reflective, fluorescent or illuminated.
15. Signs must be recessed from street corners to preserve sight lines and not obstruct traffic or drivers' line-of-sight.
16. Signs shall be maintained in good repair.
17. Temporary sign permits will be issued as revocable permits meaning that the City may remove a sign at its discretion for violation of any of the conditions listed above or violation of any other provision within the sign ordinance or any other St. Marys ordinance. The intent of the temporary sign ordinance resolution is to support identifying business locations along with maintaining the overall appearance and aesthetics of the downtown area.

NOW THEREFORE, be it approved by the Mayor and Council that the City of St. Marys adopts this temporary sign ordinance resolution.