

Ordinance No. 1745(26)

**An Ordinance of the City of Lompoc
County of Santa Barbara, State of California,
Amending Lompoc Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning Code)
Chapter 17.316 (Signs) (TA 2025-0002)**

WHEREAS, Text Amendment (TA 2025-0002) (Project) to the City of Lompoc (City) Zoning Code is initiated by the applicant and the City; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission by Resolution No. 1024 (26) and No. 1025 (26), following a public hearing on February 11, 2026, in the time and manner prescribed by law, recommended the proposed text amendments described herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on April 7, 2026, in the time and manner prescribed by law, and has duly heard and considered the Planning Commission's recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the City as Lead Agency determined the Zoning Code amendments are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) and/or Section 15311(a) of the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby finds and determines that:

- A. The Planning Commission did, by Resolution No. 1024 (26) and No. 1025(26), following a public hearing in the time and manner prescribed by law, recommend the text amendments described hereinafter.
- B. The City Council has held a public hearing in the time and manner prescribed by law and has duly heard and considered the Planning Commission's recommendation.
- C. The proposed amendments are internally consistent with all other provisions of the 2030 General Plan; and
- D. The proposed amendments are internally consistent with any applicable specific plan; and
- E. The proposed amendments serve the public necessity, convenience and general welfare; and
- F. The proposed amendments are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) and/or Section 15311(a) of the California Environmental Quality Act, because there is no possibility that the proposed amendments will have a significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 2. LMC Section 17.316.040(B) is hereby replaced with the following:

§ 17.316.040 Prohibited Signs and General Restrictions for All Signs.

- B. Prohibited Signs. The following signs are prohibited except where specifically authorized:
1. Abandoned signs;
 2. Illegal signs;
 3. Inflatable or tethered signs or devices, including air-activated graphics;
 4. Pole signs;
 5. Feather signs, except those permitted pursuant to Section 17.316.070;
 6. Roof signs;
 7. People signs; and
 8. Off-premises signs, except those permitted by an approved Sign Program pursuant to Section 17.540.020.B.

SECTION 3. LMC Section 17.316.060.C.8.a-b are hereby replaced with the following:

8. Wall signs. A wall sign is a sign attached to or painted to the exterior wall of a building or structure with the display surface of the sign approximately parallel to the building or structure wall (as defined in Chapter 17.712).

Figure 17.316.060.9

[IMAGE]

The following standards apply to wall signs (See Figure 17.316.060.9):

- a. Maximum number. Residential: one per street frontage or one per parcel; Non-Residential: two per building façade, with a maximum of four per building. Multi-tenant buildings: Each tenant may have at least one sign per building façade/elevation for the space occupied by that tenant.
- b. Maximum area. Residential: 24 square feet or four square feet; Non-Residential: Two square feet per one lineal foot of street frontage. If the building does not have street frontage then the sign square footage area is based on business frontage. Each business is allowed a total wall sign area of at least 25 square feet per sign regardless of the street frontage.

SECTION 4. LMC Section 17.316.070.A., B., and C. are hereby replaced with the following:

- A. Purpose. In addition to the purpose of this Chapter (Section 17.316.010), the Council finds that the proliferation of temporary signs is a distraction to the traveling public and creates aesthetic blight and litter that threatens the public's health, safety, and welfare. The purpose of these regulations is to ensure that temporary signs do not create a

distraction to the traveling public by eliminating the aesthetic blight and litter caused by temporary signs.

- B. General to All Temporary Signs. Temporary signs are allowed only in compliance with the provisions of this Section.
1. Temporary sign types not listed in Table 17.316.070.A are not allowed in Non-Residential Zones (see Section 17.316.020.B Interpretations).
 2. Temporary signs shall be well-maintained consistent with Section 17.316.050.D (Sign Design and Materials).
 3. Temporary signs shall not include attachments, including, but not limited to, balloons, pennant flags, ribbons, loudspeakers, etc.
 4. Temporary signs are not counted toward the total (permanent) allowable sign area or number.
- C. Temporary Sign Standards for Non-Residential Zones and Residential Zones.
1. Temporary signs in Non-Residential Zones are allowed as provided in Table 17.316.070.A. The signs in Table 17.316.070.A are allowed in any combination unless otherwise noted in this Section.

Table 17.316.070.A: Temporary Sign Standards for Non-Residential Zones						
Sign Type	Maximum Number	Maximum Area	Maximum Height	Lighting Allowed?	Sign Permit Required?	Additional Requirements
Banner Sign	1 per business frontage	36 s.f. or 10% of business frontage on which banner is placed, whichever is greater ¹	n/a	no	no (signs ≤ 32 s.f.) yes ² (signs > 32 s.f.)	17.316.070.D.1
Bus Bench Sign	1 sign per bus bench	8 s.f. and not to extend beyond the exterior limits of the bench backrest, whichever is smaller	n/a	no	yes	17.316.070.D.2
Construction signs (associated with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites ≥ 1 acre)	2 signs per entrance	96 s.f. per sign	20 feet	no	yes	17.316.070.D.6
Feather Sign (Associated with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites ≥ 1 acre)	20 per development	21 s.f. per sign	20 feet	no	yes	
Portable Sign	1 per business	6 s.f.	3 ft.	no	no	17.316.070.D.3
Window Sign	n/a	50% of window area ³	n/a	no	no	17.316.070.D.4

Table 17.316.070.A: Temporary Sign Standards for Non-Residential Zones

Sign Type	Maximum Number	Maximum Area	Maximum Height	Lighting Allowed?	Sign Permit Required?	Additional Requirements
Yard Sign	10 per business frontage; 10 per vacant lot	32 s.f.	6ft (lots < 1 acre) 8ft (lots ≥ 1 acre)	no	no	17.316.070.D.5

Notes:

- 1 For the purposes of calculating allowed banner sign area, the height of a business frontage shall be eight feet regardless of existing conditions.
- 2 The permit will not require a fee.
- 3 In no event shall more than 50% of the total window area be covered by signage, including permanent and temporary window signs.

2. Temporary Sign Standards for Residential Zones. Temporary signs in Residential Zones with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites ≥ 1 acre are allowed as provided in Table 17.316.070.B. The signs in Table 17.316.070.B are allowed in any combination unless otherwise noted in this Section.

Table 17.316.070.B: Temporary Sign Standards for Residential Zones¹

Sign Type ¹	Maximum Number	Maximum Area	Maximum Height	Lighting Allowed?	Sign Permit Required?	Additional Requirements
Feather Sign / (Associated with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites ≥ 1 acre)	1 sign per 12 units	21 s.f. per sign	20 feet	no	yes	
Subdivision Sign (Associated with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites ≥ 1 acre)	Max 6 per development	max 96 s.f. per sign	20 feet	no	yes	17.316.070.D.6
Portable Sign	Max 6 per development	6 s.f.	3 feet	no	no	17.316.070.D.3

Notes:

- 1 This Table does not apply to properties less than 1 acre in size in residential zones.

SECTION 5. The first paragraph of LMC Section 17.316.070.D. is hereby amended to read as follows:

- D. Standards by Sign Type. As listed in, and in addition to the standards in Table 17.316.070.A and Table 17.316.070.B, temporary signs shall comply with the following standards applicable to the specific sign type. Each sign shall also comply with all other applicable provisions of this Chapter.

SECTION 6. LMC Section 17.316.070.D.6 is hereby added as follows:

6. Subdivision signs and construction signs. A subdivision sign or construction sign means a temporary sign placed at a construction site or new subdivision associated with DR and/or LOM permits on project sites greater than or equal to one (1) acre. The following additional standards apply to subdivision signs and construction signs:
- a. Subdivision signs and construction signs shall maintain a minimum five-foot setback from property lines.
 - b. Subdivision signs and construction signs shall be installed securely in the ground.
 - c. Subdivision signs and construction signs shall be limited to 12 months, unless otherwise provided in a sign permit based on the size or time for completion of the project.

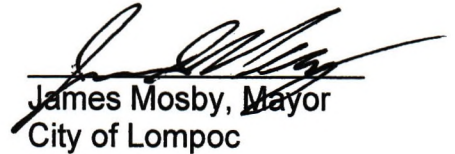
SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its adoption. The City Clerk, or her duly appointed deputy, shall attest to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be posted in the manner required by law.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced on April 7, 2026, and duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Lompoc at its duly noticed regular meeting on May 19, 2026, by the following vote:

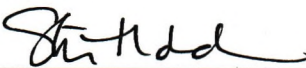
AYES: Council Member(s): Jeremy Ball, Steve Bridge, Dirk Starbuck, Victor Vega, and Mayor James Mosby.

NOES: Council Member(s): None

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None


James Mosby, Mayor
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:



Stacey Haddon, City Clerk
City of Lompoc