

Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development	To	Date <u>11/28</u> #pgs <u>2</u>
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	Fax #	Phone #
239 Planning/Zoning Referral - Exemption Communities		
Municipality: City of Beacon		
Referring Agency: Municipal Board		
Tax Parcel Numbers(s): 5745830000		
Project Name: LL Amend Chapter 223- Signs, Delete Chapter 183		
Applicant: City Council		
Address of Property: Conrall Tracks & River, Beacon, NY 125080000		
<p>Actions Requiring 239 Review</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive/Master Plans</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning Amendments (standards, uses, definitions, district regulations, etc.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rezoning Involving all map changes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Site Plans (all)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Special Permits for all non-residential uses</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Use Variances for all non-residential uses</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Area Variances for all non-residential uses</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other Local Laws associated with zoning (wetlands, historic preservation, affordable housing, architectural review, etc.)</p>	<p>Exempt Actions:* 239 Review is NOT Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Administrative Amendments (fees, procedures, penalties, etc.) ● Special Permits for residential uses (accessory apts, home occupations, etc.) ● Use Variances for residential uses ● Area Variances for residential uses ● Renewals/Extension of Site Plans or Special Permits that have no changes from previous approvals ● Subdivisions / Lot Line Adjustments ● Interpretations <p><input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action submitted for Informal review</p>	<p>Parcels within 500 feet of:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> State Road:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> County Road:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Property (with recreation area or public building)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> County Property (with recreation area or public building)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal Boundary</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Farm operation in an Agricultural District</p>
Date Response Requested:		

These actions are only exempt in municipalities that signed an Intermunicipal agreement with Dutchess County to that effect.

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Response From Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development		
<p>No Comments:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Matter of Local Concern</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No Jurisdiction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No Authority</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete - municipality must resubmit to County</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from 239 Review</p>	<p>Comments Attached:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Concern with Comments</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Conditional</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Denial</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete with Comments- municipality must resubmit to County</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Informal Comments Only (Action Exempt from 239 Review)</p>	
Date Submitted: <u>11/9/18</u>	Notes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Major Project
Date Received: <u>11/9/18</u>		Referral #: ZR18-366
Date Requested: _____		
Date Required: <u>12/7/18</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Also mailed hard copy	Reviewer: <u><i>J. [Signature]</i></u>
Date Response Faxed: <u>11/28/18</u>		

MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



EOIN WRAFTER, AICP
COMMISSIONER

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

November 28, 2018

To: City Council, City of Beacon
Re: Referral #ZR18-366, LL Amending Chapter 223, Signs and to Delete Chapter 183

The Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development has reviewed the subject referral within the framework of General Municipal Law (Article 12B, §239-l/m).

ACTION - The City Council proposes a Local Law to amend Chapter 223 of the City Code to add regulations regarding signs, and to delete current chapter 183 regarding signs.

COMMENTS –

Definitions:

1. Should the definition of SIGN, LAWN be amended to say, "Inserted INTO the ground?"
2. Regarding SIGN, TEMPORARY, the Council is proposing that materials such as cardboard, wallboard, and plywood may be used. Without proper protection, these materials can quickly degrade. We encourage the City to ensure that these signs remain in good repair, since temporary signs are proposed to be permitted for up to a 6 month period.

Section E. Prohibited Signs (8) prohibits signs "that are mechanically, digitally or electronically animated." The Council may want to consider amending the definition to include the word "televisions." Under this same section, it is unclear whether digital signs are prohibited, or just animation of digital signs is prohibited.

Regarding freestanding signs, Section I(2)(a) and I(2)(b) establishes maximum size of a freestanding sign based on a building's setback. It is unclear what the rationale is behind the two different size allowances, as presumably, the freestanding sign would sit in approximately the same location, regardless of building location. Permitting larger freestanding signs for buildings setback into the site may encourage more suburban development patterns with front yard parking.

RECOMMENDATION - The Department recommends that the Board rely upon its own study of the facts in the case with due consideration of the above comments.

Eoin Wrafter, AICP, Commissioner

By

Jennifer F. Coccozza,
Deputy Commissioner