

MOON TOWNSHIP
1000 BEAVER GRADE ROAD
MOON TOWNSHIP, PA 15108
(412) 262-1700
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General Sign Permit Application Information

Zoning Officer: David Meinert

1. Complete and sign permit application (fill in all information for processing).
2. Submit one (1) set of drawings of the sign with all necessary dimensions, description, and show what the sign will read.
3. Submit a site plan showing the sign location and distance from property lines, buildings, etc.
4. Submit engineer's design for large structural signs.
5. Submit contractor's Workers Compensation Certificate with Moon Township named as the certificate holder by the insurance company.
6. Sign Permit Fees: Pole and ground: \$3.00 per sq. ft. of sign area.
Wall: \$2.00 per sq. ft. of sign area.
Minimum sign fee is \$50.00. Maximum sign fee is \$300.00.
Temporary Special Event (Banner): \$30.00.
7. Obtain an Electrical Permit from this office for electrical work involving the sign.

The Sign Permit Application will not be processed unless it is completed in full, signed and all required attachments and fees have been provided.

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SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION

PERMIT FEE _____

PERMIT NO. _____

TOWNSHIP OF MOON 1000 BEAVER GRADE ROAD CORAOPOLIS, PA 15108 (412) 262-1700 FAX (412) 262-5344

At Location: _____ Zoning District _____
NO. STREET

Business Name: _____ Lot & Block No. _____

Applicant's Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____
(NAME)

(MAILING ADDRESS) (NO.) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

Landowner's Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____
(NAME)

(MAILING ADDRESS) (NO.) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

Occupant's Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____
(NAME)

(MAILING ADDRESS) (NO.) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

Contractor's Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____
(NAME)

(MAILING ADDRESS) (NO.) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

Architect/Engineer: _____ Phone: (_____) _____
(NAME)

(MAILING ADDRESS) (NO.) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

Type of Improvement:

Repair/Replace New Construction Addition Alteration Other _____
(SPECIFY)

Type of Sign:

Pole Ground Wall Directional Temporary Banner Other _____
(SPECIFY)

Type of Structure to be Erected:

Masonry Wood Frame Structural Steel Reinforced Concrete Other _____
(SPECIFY)

Size of Sign: Length _____ Width _____ Height _____

Area of Sign _____ Estimated Cost of Construction _____
(In Square Feet)

Structure distance from property line: Front yard _____ Rear yard _____ Left side _____ Right side _____

Describe and submit photos of existing signage: _____

Name and Date of any Zoning Variance received: _____

The Applicant/Owner hereby certifies that the statements made herein and representations contained in all accompanying matter made part of this application are true and correct. The Applicant/Owner shall be responsible for reviewing and fully understanding all Permit conditions and insuring compliance to all applicable Codes and Ordinances.

As applicant, I hereby certify that the proposed work is authorized by the owner of record and I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his authorized agent.

Signed: _____ Applicant _____ Date _____

Signed: _____ Owner _____ Date _____

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§ 208-403. Prohibited signs; exemptions.

- A. No sign shall be permitted in any district except as herein provided.
- B. The following signs shall be exempt from the provisions of this Chapter:
 - (1) Official notices authorized by a court, public body or public safety official.
 - (2) Directional, warning or information signs authorized by federal, state or municipal governments.
 - (3) Memorial plaques, building identification signs and building cornerstones when cut or carved into a masonry surface or when made of noncombustible material and made an integral part of the building or structure.
 - (4) The flag of a government or non-commercial institution, such as a school.
 - (5) Religious symbols and seasonal decorations within the appropriate public holiday season.
 - (6) Works of fine art displayed in conjunction with a commercial enterprise where the enterprise does not receive direct commercial or economic benefit.
 - (7) Street address signs and combination nameplate and street address signs that contain no advertising copy and which do not exceed six (6) square feet in area.
 - (8) A sign authorized by the Township to be located on public facilities and parks and fields and related to private, non-profit organizations.

§ 208-404. Restricted signs.

- A. These restricted signs shall not be permitted in any zoning district because the Board of Supervisors has provided for multiple advertising alternatives which are as cost-effective as the restricted signage and which do not have the drawbacks (interference with traffic and pedestrian safety; tendency to depress property values; negative impact upon long-fostered commercial and residential environments; and the creation of litter) associated with the restricted signs.
- B. The following devices and locations shall be specifically prohibited:
 - (1) Signs located in such a manner as to obstruct or otherwise interfere with an official traffic sign, signal or device, or obstruct or interfere with a motorist's view of approaching, merging or intersecting traffic.

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- (2) Except as provided for elsewhere in this Chapter, signs encroaching upon or overhanging a public right-of-way. No sign shall be attached to any utility pole, light standard, street tree or any other public facility located within the public right-of-way.
- (3) Signs which blink, flash or are animated by lighting in any fashion that would cause such signs to have the appearance of traffic safety signs and lights, or municipal vehicle warnings from a distance.
- (4) Any sign attached to, or placed on, a vehicle or trailer parked on public or private property, except for signs meeting the following conditions:
 - (a) The primary purpose of such a vehicle or trailer is not the display of signs.
 - (b) The signs are magnetic, decals or painted upon an integral part of the vehicle or equipment as originally designed by the manufacturer, and do not break the silhouette of the vehicle.
 - (c) The vehicle or trailer is in operating condition, currently registered and licensed to operate on public streets when applicable, and actively used or available for use in the daily function of the business to which such signs relate.
- (5) Vehicles and trailers are not used primarily as static displays, advertising a product or service, nor utilized as storage, shelter or distribution points for commercial products or services for the general public.
- (6) Balloons, streamers or pinwheels except those temporarily displayed as part of a special sale, promotion, celebration or community event.
- (7) Banners and pennants, other than temporary special event displays as authorized by § 208-405 of this Chapter or those used for decoration and not for advertising at a residence.
- (8) Portable or wheeled signs.

§208-405. Temporary signs.

- A. Special promotions, event and grand opening signs. Signs temporarily displayed to advertise special promotions, events and grand openings shall be permitted for non-residential uses.
- B. Temporary special event display signs shall be permitted to be erected on the face of a public building, place of worship, place of assembly or building housing a private non-profit organization.
- C. Limitations on temporary signs.

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- (1) Such signs shall be limited to one (1) sign per street front.
- (2) Such signs may be displayed for not more than thirty (30) consecutive days in any three (3) month period, and not more than sixty (60) days in any calendar year. The signs shall be erected no more than five (5) days prior to the event or grand opening, and shall be removed not more than one (1) day after the event or grand opening.
- (3) The total area of all such signs shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet.
- (4) Signs shall be non-illuminated.

§ 208-406. Sign permit required.

- A. No sign except a temporary real estate sign, a contractor's sign or political sign as authorized by § 208-414 shall thereafter be erected or altered in any way unless a sign permit has been issued by the Zoning Officer. Applications for sign permits shall include detailed drawings of the construction and the design of the sign(s) and a plan indicating the location of the sign(s) on the property and shall be accompanied by such fee as may be required by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

§ 208-407. Multiple street frontages.

- A. In non-residential districts, lots having a total lot area greater than two (2) acres which front on more than one (1) street shall be permitted to have one (1) authorized freestanding sign on each street frontage. Any lot in a non-residential district shall be permitted to have one (1) authorized wall identification sign on each side of the building which faces the street.

§ 208-408. Sign area.

- A. The area of a sign shall include that area enclosed by one (1) continuous line, connecting the extreme points or edges of a sign. The area includes all lettering, wording and accompanying designs or symbols, together with the background (whether open or enclosed) on which they are displayed. On a two (2) sided sign, only one (1) face is counted in computing the sign's area. The area of the sign does not include minimal supporting framework or bracing, but all other ornamental attachments or decorative structures shall be included in determining the area of a sign.

§ 208-409. Illumination and animation.

- A. No sign shall move, flash, oscillate or emit noise, except for that portion of a permitted sign which indicates time and/or temperature. Signs shall be illuminated only when authorized by

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this Chapter. All illumination, when authorized, shall be directed upon the sign face and not towards adjoining properties or roadways. The intensity of any source of illumination of any sign, whether indirect or internal, shall be controlled so as not to create glare and to be compatible with the intensity of ambient light and illumination on surrounding properties. Electronic changeable copy signs shall not change the message that they display at an interval less than one (1) minute.

§ 208-410. Nuisance prohibited.

- A. No sign shall be constructed, located or illuminated in any manner which causes the sign or its illumination to be a nuisance, to reflect undue glare or to create distraction, confusion, visual difficulties or any other hazardous condition for drivers of vehicles, pedestrians or operators of aircraft.

§ 208-411. Visibility restrictions.

- A. No sign or sign structure shall be erected at the intersection of any street in such a manner as to obstruct free and clear vision, nor at any location where by its position, shape or color it may interfere with or obstruct the view of or be confused with any authorized traffic sign, signal or device.
- B. Signs in rights-of-way. No sign other than an official traffic sign or similar sign shall be erected within ten (10) feet of the lines of any street, or within any public way, unless specifically authorized by other ordinances or regulations of the this jurisdiction or by specific authorization of the Zoning Officer.

§ 208-412. Unsafe conditions; notice to repair.

- A. All signs must be constructed of durable material and maintained in good condition. Any sign found to be in an unsafe condition upon inspection shall be declared to be a public nuisance, and the Zoning Officer shall give notice to the owner, in writing, to repair or remove the sign within ten (10) working days. Upon failure of the owner to comply, the Township shall remove the sign at the owner's expense.

§ 208-413. Holiday decorations.

- A. Holiday decorations displayed for recognized federal or state holidays shall be exempted from the provisions of this Article IV, except as they may produce glare, interference with traffic safety or in any other way become a public nuisance or public safety hazard. Holiday decorations shall not include banners or special event displays which are regulated by this Chapter.

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- B. The Board of Supervisors believes that the public's familiarity with such decorations causes them not to produce the potential confusion or unsafe distraction which might otherwise be the case and such decorations enhance rather than detract from property values and an appropriate commercial and residential environment.

§ 208-414. Permitted signs.

- A. Conformance to codes. Any sign hereafter erected shall conform to the provisions of this ordinance and the provisions of the Moon Township Building Code and of any other ordinance or regulations within this jurisdiction.
- B. Obsolete sign copy. Any sign copy that no longer advertises or identifies a use conducted on the property on which said sign is erected must have the sign copy covered or removed within thirty (30) days after written notification from the Zoning Officer; and upon failure to comply with such notice, the Zoning Officer is hereby authorized to cause removal of such sign copy, and any expense incident thereto shall be paid by the owner of the building, structure or ground on which the sign is located.
- C. Signs authorized in all zoning districts. The following signs are authorized in all zoning districts. The limitations and regulations detailed below exist for the purpose of permitting reasonable advertising space while maintaining property values, maintaining appropriate commercial and residential atmospheres and avoiding advertising wars based on sign size or some other sign attribute other than the sign message.
 - (1) Bulletin board. One (1) bulletin board which is indirectly illuminated and which does not exceed forty (40) square feet in surface area shall be permitted in connection with any place of assembly, place of worship, school or similar public structure.
 - (2) Real estate signs. Real estate signs shall be permitted in all zoning districts, subject to the following limitations:
 - (a) Real estate signs located on a single residential lot shall be limited to one (1) sign, not greater than six (6) feet in height and six (6) square feet in area.
 - (b) Real estate signs advertising the sale of lots located within a subdivision shall be limited to one (1) sign per entrance to the subdivision, and each sign shall be no greater than thirty-two (32) square feet in area nor six (6) feet in height. All signs permitted under this section shall be removed promptly when the sale, lease or development of the property is complete.
 - (c) Real estate signs advertising the sale or lease of space within commercial or industrial buildings shall be no greater than thirty-two (32) square feet in area nor six (6) feet in height, and shall be limited to one (1) sign per street front.

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- (d) Real estate signs advertising the sale or lease of vacant commercial or industrial land shall be limited to one (1) sign per street front, and each sign shall be no greater than six (6) feet in height, and thirty-two (32) square feet for property of ten (10) acres or less, or one hundred (100) square feet for property exceeding ten (10) acres.
 - (e) Real estate signs shall be removed promptly after execution of a lease agreement in the event of a lease, or the closing of the sale in the event of a purchase.
 - (f) Real estate signs advertising an open house shall be limited to one (1) sign at the entrance to the subdivision for directional purposes. Each sign shall be no greater than two (2) square feet in area nor three (3) feet in height. The sign shall be removed promptly daily not to be left overnight.
- (3) Contractor's or artisan's signs. One (1) non-illuminated temporary construction sign announcing the names of contractors, mechanics or artisans engaged in performing work on the premises shall be permitted on a lot, provided that the sign shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area; shall not impede motorists' visibility; and shall be removed immediately upon completion of the work.
- (4) Political signs. Political signs shall be permitted in all zoning districts, subject to the following limitations.
- (a) Such signs shall not exceed a height of four (4) feet nor an area of sixteen (16) square feet.
 - (b) Such signs shall not be placed in any public right-of-way or obstruct traffic visibility.
- D. Signs authorized in residential zoning districts. The following signs shall be permitted in all residential zoning districts:
- (1) One (1) non-illuminated or indirectly illuminated permanent wall or freestanding ground identification sign containing only the street address and/or name of a residential development or multi-family building or development which shall not exceed fifteen (15) square feet in area. A sign identifying the name of a residential subdivision may be affixed to a freestanding decorative wall rather than to a building wall, provided that the decorative wall meets all applicable Chapter requirements and does not obstruct visibility for traffic entering or leaving the plan.
 - (2) One (1) non-illuminated wall sign for an authorized home occupation which shall not exceed two (2) square feet in area.
 - (3) One (1) non-illuminated or indirectly illuminated freestanding ground business identification sign for a lawfully maintained non-conforming use in a residential zoning district which shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area.

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E. Signs authorized in all zoning districts other than residential. The following signs shall be permitted in all zoning districts other than residential zoning districts:

(1) Directional signs.

- (a) Directional signs shall not be permitted on lots less than twenty thousand (20,000) square feet in area.
- (b) On lots with areas between twenty thousand (20,000) square feet and one (1) acre, a maximum of six (6) non-illuminated, indirectly illuminated or internally illuminated directional signs, each of which shall not exceed four (4) square feet in area, shall be permitted. For each additional acre or fraction thereof, two (2) additional directional signs shall be permitted.
- (c) Directional signs shall not be located on the right-of-way of a public street and shall be of a height no greater than three (3) feet. Directional signs shall not be placed in a location which inhibits clear sight distance for motorists or pedestrians and shall be placed on the premises no further than twenty-five (25) feet from the entrance to the property that they are intended to identify or, if an interior directional sign, no more than ten (10) feet from the parking area, driveway or other facility they are intended to identify.

(2) Changeable copy sign. In addition to the authorized business identification signs, one (1) non-illuminated, indirectly illuminated or internally illuminated changeable copy sign shall be permitted per lot, regardless of the number of businesses on the lot, which shall not exceed thirty (30) square feet in area and which shall be permanently affixed to the wall of the building or to an authorized freestanding sign on the lot.

(3) Wall identification sign. One (1) non-illuminated, indirectly illuminated or internally illuminated wall identification sign shall be permitted on each building occupied in connection with any legal business or industry, only if the following requirements are met:

- (a) The wall identification sign shall not have a surface area greater than two (2) square feet for each linear foot of the wall upon which the sign shall be erected.
- (b) The wall identification sign may be placed on any side of the building except where the property upon which the sign will be erected borders residentially zoned property. In this case, the sign cannot be placed on the side of the building facing the residentially zoned property.
- (c) The wall identification sign shall not be located on the roof nor extend above the height of the building.
- (d) No sign shall project over any public sidewalk or street right-of-way.

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- (e) Where the building fronts on two (2) streets, two (2) wall identification signs shall be permitted and their location shall be in conformance with Subsection E(3)(b).
 - (f) Where more than one (1) business is located in one (1) building, more than one (1) wall identification sign shall be permitted, provided that each wall identification sign shall not exceed two (2) square feet per linear foot of the store frontage for which each sign is intended. When more than one (1) sign will be erected on a single building, all these signs shall be located on the front of the building.
 - (g) Wall identification signs shall not be permitted in conjunction with non-conforming uses or authorized conditional uses or uses by special exception in residential zoning districts.
- (4) Freestanding ground or pole sign. In addition to a wall identification sign(s), one (1) single or double-faced, non-illuminated, indirectly illuminated or internally illuminated freestanding ground or pole sign may be erected on a commercially or industrially zoned property, provided that all structures are set back thirty-five (35) feet or more from the front property line, subject to the following requirements:
- (a) Lots with an area of less than twenty thousand (20,000) square feet and/or less than one hundred (100) feet in frontage shall not be permitted to erect a freestanding pole sign but may erect a freestanding ground sign subject to the requirements of this section. Lots with an area of from twenty thousand (20,000) square feet to one (1) acre and greater than one hundred (100) feet in width shall be permitted a freestanding pole sign, the maximum height of such sign being eighteen (18) feet and the maximum size being forty (40) square feet. The sign shall be set back not less than ten (10) feet from every property line, except where the property abuts a public right-of-way, the sign shall be set back not less than ten (10) feet from the right-of-way. The bottom edge of any freestanding pole sign shall be a minimum of eight (8) feet above the normal ground level, if the area under the sign is landscaped, and a minimum of fourteen (14) feet above the finished grade if traffic circulates under the sign.
 - (b) The sign shall contain only the logotype, trademark and/or name and address of the company or commercial or industrial center on the property.
 - (c) There shall be only one (1) freestanding ground or pole sign per lot which does not have multiple street frontages. If a ground sign exists or is proposed, a pole sign shall not be permitted. If a pole sign exists or is proposed, a ground sign shall not be permitted.
 - (d) The top of any freestanding pole sign on a property greater than one (1) acre in size shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet in height above normal ground level

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and shall be set back not less than ten (10) feet from every property line, except that where the property abuts upon a public right-of-way, the sign shall be set back not less than ten (10) feet from the right-of-way. The bottom edge of any freestanding pole sign shall be a minimum of eight (8) feet above the normal ground level, if the area under the sign is landscaped, and a minimum of fourteen (14) feet above the finished grade if traffic circulates under the sign.

- (e) The maximum height of a freestanding ground sign shall be six (6) feet above the adjacent ground level. All freestanding ground signs shall be located at least ten (10) feet from any property line, except that where the property abuts on a public right-of-way, the freestanding ground sign shall be set back at least ten (10) feet from the right-of-way.
- (f) The maximum surface area, as defined by § 208-408 of this Chapter, for freestanding business identification ground signs in any non-residential zoning district shall be thirty-two (32) square feet on lots equal to or less than two (2) acres. On lots greater than two (2) acres, a ground sign of fifty (50) square feet shall be permitted. On lots greater than two (2) acres, the maximum surface area may be increased one (1) square foot above fifty (50) square feet for every two (2) feet that the sign is set back from the minimum ten (10)-foot setback line.
- (g) The maximum surface area, as defined by § 208-408 of this Chapter, for freestanding pole signs in the various non-residential zoning districts shall be as shown on the following chart:

Freestanding Pole Signs

| Zoning District | Maximum Surface Area (square feet) |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5 | Not permitted |
| A-P | Not permitted |
| B-P | Not permitted |
| ED | Not permitted |
| C-1 | Not permitted |
| C-2 | 90 |
| M-1 | 60 |
| M-X | 90 |
| RT | 90 |
| OS | Not permitted |

- (h) Any property having frontage on Business Route 60 or the Airport Service Road, regardless of its zoning classification, may construct one (1) freestanding sign which is intended to be viewed from Business Route 60 or the Airport Service Road. This sign shall be a freestanding ground sign. This freestanding ground

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sign shall not preclude a lot from having a freestanding sign on its frontage of any other public street in accordance with the requirements of this Chapter.

(5) **Awning signs.**

- (a) The copy area of awning signs shall not exceed an area equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the background area of the awning or awning surface to which such a sign is affixed or applied, or the permitted area for wall or fascia signs, whichever is less.
- (b) Neither the background color of an awning, nor any graphic treatment or embellishment thereto such as striping, patterns or valances, shall be included in the computation of sign copy area.
- (c) Awning signs and walls signs are mutually exclusive, and a business may erect either one (1) or the other, but not both.

(6) **Menu boards.**

Menu board signs shall not be permitted to exceed fifty (50) square feet.

§ 208-415. Billboards.

A. Billboards may be permitted as a conditional use when approved by the Board of Supervisors after submission and review by the Planning Commission in accordance with Article VIII of this Chapter, and provided that all of the following requirements are met:

- (1) **Location.** Billboards shall not be erected within a residential zoning district or within five hundred (500) feet of the line of any public or parochial school property. Required spacing shall be measured from a point perpendicular to the structure along the front lot line parallel to the center line of the roadway to which the billboard is oriented. Billboards shall be erected within four hundred (400) feet of the center line (measured horizontally) of Business Route 60 (LR 1023), including the Beaver Valley Expressway, the Airport Service Road, and the Airport Parkway (LR 1057).
 - (a) On interstate and limited access highways, billboards shall not be erected within five hundred (500) feet of an interchange or safety rest area measured along the interstate or limited access highway from the beginning or ending of the pavement widening at the exit from or entrance to the main traveled way.
 - (b) The minimum front, side and rear yard requirements applying to a principal use as set forth within the zoning district in which the billboard is to be located shall apply to each billboard structure.

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- (c) A billboard shall be considered a structure and shall be included in the calculation of maximum building coverage as specified in Table 5: Dimensions. The maximum lot coverage calculation shall be cumulative, including the billboard and any other structures and buildings on the same lot therewith.
 - (d) No billboard shall be erected in such a manner as to block the view from the road or street of any existing business identification sign or residential or non-residential structure or to limit or reduce the light and ventilation requirements under Chapter 72, Building Construction and Fire Prevention.
 - (e) No billboard shall be constructed within the clear sight triangle of the public street or road on which it is situated and shall not in any case obstruct or impede traffic safety.
 - (f) Billboards shall maintain a lateral minimum spacing of seven hundred fifty (750) feet between billboard structures. Required spacing shall be measured from a point perpendicular to the centermost point of the billboard structure along the front lot line parallel to the center line of the roadway to which the billboard is oriented.
 - (g) Billboards may not be mounted on the roof, wall or other part of a building or any other structure.
- B. Size and height. A billboard shall have a maximum allowable gross surface area of seven hundred-fifty (750) square feet per sign face. A billboard shall have a maximum of two (2) sign faces per billboard structure.
- (1) The billboard structure may have sign faces placed back to back or in a V-shaped configuration on a single billboard structure.
 - (2) A billboard sign face shall be independently supported and have vertical supports of metal which are galvanized or otherwise treated to prevent rust and corrosion.
 - (3) The one (1) vertical support shall be capable of enabling the entire sign face to be able to withstand a minimum sixty (60) miles per hour wind load.
 - (4) The entire base of the billboard structure shall be permanently landscaped with suitable shrubbery and/or bushes of minimum height of three (3) feet placed in such manner as to screen the foundation of the structure.
 - (5) Landscaping shall be maintained by the billboard sign owner in an attractive and healthy manner in accordance with accepted conservation practices.
 - (6) Permanent landscaping shall form a base and/or backdrop to the billboard sign when practical in the opinion of the Zoning Officer.

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- (7) All curbs and grading shall be in accordance with Chapter 88, Erosion and Sediment Control.
 - (8) No bare earth cuts are permitted on a hillside.
 - (9) All earth cuts or fills are to be permanently seeded or planted.
 - (10) A billboard with display lighting shall be constructed so that it does not glare upon adjoining property.
 - (11) Display lighting shall not operate between 12:00 midnight and 5:00 a.m., prevailing local time.
 - (12) No billboard structure, sign face or display lighting shall move, flash or emit noise. No display lighting shall cause distractions, confusion, nuisance or hazard to traffic, aircraft or other properties.
 - (13) The use of colored lighting is not permitted.
- C. Maintenance.
- (1) A billboard structure shall be entirely painted every three (3) years.
 - (2) Every ten (10) years, the owner of the billboard shall have a structural inspection made of the billboard by an engineer or an architect and shall provide to the Township a certificate from the engineer or architect certifying that the billboard is structurally sound.
 - (3) Annual inspections of the billboard shall be conducted by the Township to determine compliance with the provisions of this Chapter.
 - (4) Billboards found to be in violation of this Chapter shall be brought into compliance or shall be removed within thirty (30) days upon proper notification by the Township. Failure to comply shall be a violation of this Chapter.
 - (5) Billboards using removable paper or other materials shall be maintained in such condition as to eliminate loose or frayed material protruding or hanging from the structure.
- D. Permits. Prior to submission of an application for a building permit, the applicant for billboard use shall obtain and submit with the application approvals from the County of Allegheny, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Penn DOT) and, when applicable, the United States Federal Aviation Administration.
- E. Application fees. Said application shall be accompanied by an application fee in an amount equal to that set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.