

**Sec. 2-413. Public art policy.**

- (a) Public Art shall be defined as art commissioned by the public art committee utilizing public funds that are intended to be permanent or semi-permanent in nature.
- (b) The public art committee shall develop public art policies and guidelines for consideration by the board of mayor and aldermen. It shall also establish a plan and a priority for public art projects within the city limits. The committee shall establish selection committees for each individual public art project and oversee the request for proposal process. All matters concerning public art, ~~monuments, murals or other creative efforts of individuals or groups~~ shall first be referred to the public art committee for consideration, coordination and recommendation to the board of mayor and aldermen. The public art committee shall serve in an advisory capacity to the board of mayor and aldermen for all matters involving public art.

**Sec. 114-1. Definitions.**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

~~Sign, mural, means any mosaic, painting, photograph, graphic art technique, or combination thereof placed on the wall and containing no copy, advertising symbols, lettering, trademarks or other references to the premises or to the products and/or service offered for sale on the premises.~~

Mural, means a work of art painted or otherwise directly applied on a building, structure, fence, or other object within public view. The work does not contain text, graphics, or symbols which specifically advertise or promote a business, product, or service.

**Sec. 114-194. B-2, Central Business District.**

(g) *Signs.*

- (1) ~~Freestanding~~Signs. Freestanding signs are permitted only for existing buildings with a setback from the front property line of ten feet or greater. Freestanding signs must be monument signs, not to exceed eight feet in height, including the sign base. Maximum sign square footage shall not exceed 50 square feet, with no more than 25 square feet per side. Sign bases should be constructed of brick, stone, or other durable materials.
  - (2) Wall Signs. Single-tenant businesses and multitenant centers are permitted wall signs equivalent to one percent of the business's building ground coverage area up to 100 square feet total signage. Businesses having less than 5,000 square feet area may utilize up to 50 square feet of signage.
  - ~~(3) Murals and banners shall not be permitted in the B-2 district, except as approved by the board of mayor and aldermen.~~
  - (4) Electronic message boards are prohibited in the B-2 district.
  - (5) Blade Signs. Blade signs are encouraged and a blade sign not exceed six (6) square feet can be provided in addition to wall signage on any façade that has a sidewalk or entrance. One blade sign per exterior wall is permitted. A blade sign is an ornamental rod extending perpendicular from the building no more than six (6) linear feet with a hanging sign suspended from it at a 90 degree angle from building face and street right-of-way. Blade signs shall be placed a minimum of nine (9) feet above sidewalk level to the bottom of the blade sign. Text and graphics on either or both ends of an awning that are oriented perpendicular to the building face for pedestrian view and are no more than six (6) square feet may be provided in lieu of a blade sign.
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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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### Sec. 114-203. B-2E, Central Business Edge District.

(g) *Signs.*

- (1) Freestanding Signs. Freestanding signs are permitted only for existing buildings or new construction with a setback from the front property line of ten feet or greater. Freestanding signs must be monument signs, not to exceed eight feet in height, including the sign base. Maximum sign square footage shall not exceed 50 square feet, with no more than 25 square feet per side. Sign bases should be constructed of brick, stone, or other durable materials.
- (2) Wall Signs. Single-tenant businesses and multitenant centers are permitted wall signs equivalent to one percent of the business's building ground coverage area up to 150 square feet total signage. Businesses having less than 5,000 square feet area may utilize up to 50 square feet of signage.
- ~~(3) Murals and banners shall not be permitted in the B-2E district, except as approved by the board of mayor and aldermen.~~
- (4) Electronic message boards are prohibited in the B-2E district.
- (5) Blade Signs. Blade signs are encouraged and a blade sign not exceed six square feet can be provided in addition to wall signage on any façade that has a sidewalk or entrance. One blade sign per exterior wall is permitted. A blade sign is an ornamental rod extending perpendicular from the building no more than six linear feet with a hanging sign suspended from it at a 90 degree angle from building face and street right-of-way. Blade signs shall be placed a minimum of nine feet above sidewalk level to the bottom of the blade sign. Text and graphics on either or both ends of an awning that are oriented perpendicular to the building face for pedestrian view and are no more than six square feet may be provided in lieu of a blade sign.

### Sec. 114-530. Applicability to all zoning districts.

The following shall apply in all zoning districts:

- (13) Mural Application Permit: Applications for a mural permit shall provide the following information:
- A. Address of the property of proposed mural;
  - B. Written consent from the property owner giving permission to place the mural on the building;
  - C. Contact information of artist/team leader;
  - D. Scale drawing and color photo of the building showing proposed size and location of the mural. Drawings shall include the dimensions, construction supports, sizes, foundations, electrical wiring and components, materials of the mural and method of attachment and character of structure members to which attachment is to be made. The design, quality, materials, and loading shall conform to the requirements of the adopted Building Code.
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