

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_

VILLAGE OF RIDGEWAY

The Village Board of the Village of Ridgeway, Iowa County, Wisconsin, do ordain that section 14.23 of the Village of Ridgeway Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

14.23.01. All signs must comply with the requirements of this section 14.23. No sign shall be located, erected, moved, reconstructed, extended, enlarged, converted, or structurally altered without a zoning permit except those non-conforming signs under section 14.23.06. If applicable, the sign shall also meet all the structural requirements of the building code.

14.23.02. Signs in Residential Districts. No exterior sign may exceed eight square feet in total area or six feet in height. A sign on a residential lot must be located at least five feet from any right of way line. No sign may use lighting of any kind.

14.23.03. Signs in Agricultural Districts. Signs shall not exceed fifteen square feet in total area. A sign on an agricultural lot must be located at least ten feet from any right of way line.

14.23.04 Signs in Business Districts and Manufacturing Districts. Signs are permitted in all business and manufacturing districts subject to the following restrictions:

- A. Signs attached to the exterior wall of a building shall not extend more than six inches outside of a building wall's surface. Any wall sign or combination of wall signs cannot exceed 400 square feet in area for any one premises. Wall signs shall not exceed twenty feet in height above the centerline street grade.
- B. Projecting Signs or a combination of projecting signs fastened to, suspended from, or supported by structures shall not exceed a total of 10 square feet in area for any one premises. Projecting signs must be located at least ten feet from all side lot lines. Projecting signs shall not exceed a height of fifteen feet above the centerline street grade.
- C. Signs mounted on the ground shall not exceed 20 feet in height above the centerline street grade and shall meet all yard requirements for the district

in which it is located. Any ground mounted sign or combination of ground mounted signs shall not exceed 100 square feet in total area.

- D. Signs located on a building roof shall not exceed ten feet in height above the roof and must meet all the yard and height requirements for the district in which it is located. The total area of signs located on a roof shall not exceed 300 square feet for any one premises.
- E. Window Signs shall be placed only on the inside of buildings and shall not exceed 25 percent of the glass area of the pane upon which the sign is displayed.
- F. Combinations of any of the above signs shall meet all the requirements for the individual sign.

14.23.05. Only Village, state, county, or federal government owned signs are permitted in the right-of-way. No permit is required for signs under this subsection.

14.23.06 Any sign lawfully existing at the time of the adoption or amendment of this section may be continued although the use, size, or location does not conform with the provisions of this ordinance. However, such a sign shall be deemed a nonconforming use or structure, and the provisions of Section 14.25 shall apply.

14.23.07 General provisions. The following requirements apply to all signs.

- A. Lighted signs shall be shielded to prevent glare onto adjoining properties or onto the public street.
- B. No sign shall be placed on a tree.
- C. No sign shall be placed in a manner that obstructs egress from a building.

Adopted the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

APPROVED:

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Village President

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk