

**CONSOLIDATED BY-LAW No. 154-11
(Amended by By-law No. 117-2014)
OF THE
THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH PERTH**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE OR PROHIBIT
SIGNS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH PERTH**

WHEREAS Section 11(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O.2001 c.25*, as amended, provides authority to a lower-tier municipality to pass by-laws respecting matters within the sphere of jurisdiction of structures, including fences and signs,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of North Perth deems it advisable to pass a by-law to prohibit and regulate signs and other advertising devices within the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of North Perth **ENACTS** as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

The following terms shall, for the purpose of this by-law, have the meanings stated below:

- 1.1 **“Abandoned Sign”** is any sign which no longer correctly directs or exhorts any person, advertises a bona fide business, lessor, owner, product or activity conducted or product available on the premises where such a sign is displayed;
- 1.2 **“Accessory Sign”** means any sign identifying or advertising a business, person, activity, goods, products or services located on the premises where the sign is installed and maintained;
- 1.3 **“Animated Sign”** means any sign that includes action or motion within the sign area. For purposes of this by-law the term does not refer to flashing, rotating or automatic changing signs;
- 1.4 **“Awning Sign”** means a sign painted on a shade made of canvas, metal or wood fixed to a frame over a window or door that may or may not be retractable;
- 1.5 **“Billboard”** means any sign constructed of steel or other suitable material having a maximum display area of 7.6 metres wide (25 feet) by 3.7 metres high (12 feet). Printed posters are temporarily posted or painted directly on the face of the sign;
- 1.6 **“Canopy Sign”** means either an illuminated or non-illuminated identification sign painted on the surface of a canopy, which usually overhangs the front of a building;
- 1.7 **“Copy”** (Permanent and Temporary) means the wording on a sign surface either in permanent or removable letter form;
- 1.8 **“Council”** means the Municipal Council of the Municipality of North Perth;
- 1.9 **“Chief Building Official”** means the Chief Building Official (C.B.O.) of the Municipality of North Perth;
- 1.10 **“Directory Signs”** are used to guide pedestrians to individual businesses within a multiple-tenant commercial building;
- 1.11 **“Directional Signs”** means a sign directing vehicular or pedestrian traffic on the related site;

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- 1.12 **“Erected”** means attached, altered, built, constructed, reconstructed, enlarged or moved, but does not include copy changes on any sign;
- 1.13 **“Fascia Sign”** (or Wall Sign) means a sign attached to or erected against a wall or a building with the face horizontally parallel to the building wall, not extending above the top of the wall nor beyond the ends of the wall to which it is attached;
- 1.14 **“Flashing Sign”** means any sign which contains an intermittent or flashing source, or which includes the illusion or intermittent or flashing light by means of animation, or an externally mounted intermittent light source;
- 1.15 **“Free-Standing Sandwich Board Sign”** means a free-standing sign placed on but not permanently anchored to the ground, commonly referred to as A-Frame, and T-Frame but shall not mean or include any other sign defined in this by-law;
- 1.16 **“Grade”** means average elevation of the ground directly beneath a sign;
- 1.17 **“Ground Sign”** means the sign directly supported by the ground, without the aid of any other building or structure, other than the sign structure;
- 1.18 **“Height of Sign”** means the vertical distance measured from the adjacent street grade or upper surface of the nearest street curb other than an elevated roadway, which permits the greatest height to the highest point of said sign.
- 1.19 **“Illuminated Sign”** means any sign designed to provide artificial light either through exposed lighting on the sign face or through transparent or translucent material from a light source within the sign;
- 1.20 **“Maintain”** means to permit a sign structure to continue or, where required, to repair or refurbish a sign or sign structure;
- 1.21 **“Mobile Sign or Portable Sign”** means a sign mounted on a trailer or other structure which is designated in such a manner to facilitate its movement from place to place;
- 1.22 **“Nameplate”** means an identification sign indicating name of owners/farm name and address but shall not include advertising the selling of any product;
- 1.23 **“Non-Accessory Sign”** means any sign identifying or advertising or directing attention to a business, profession, person, commodity, service or entertainment which is conducted, sold or offered elsewhere than at the lot upon which the sign is installed and maintained;
- 1.24 **“Non-Conforming Sign (Legal)”** means any advertising structure or sign which was lawfully erected and maintained prior to such time as it came within the enactment of this by-law, or a non-conforming sign for which a special permit has been issued;
- 1.25 **“Parapet or Parapet Wall”** means that portion of a building wall that rises above the roof level;
- 1.26 **“Permanent Sign”** means a sign that is not limited as to the time it can be erected or displayed;
- 1.27 **“Pinch Point”** means a traffic calming feature that is a narrowing of the roadway to provide a visual element in streetscape; to slow traffic down and give awareness of vehicular movement and provide additional safety for things features such as crosswalks;

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- 1.28 **“Projecting Sign”** means a sign (swinging or otherwise), other than a wall (fascia) sign, attached to and projecting from the building face;
- 1.29 **“Pylon or Standard Sign”** means a ground sign having a minimum distance of 2.4 metres (7.9 feet) from the underside of the sign to grade;
- 1.30 **“Roof Sign”** means any sign erected upon, against or directly above a roof, said sign shall not extend beyond the perimeter of the roof;
- 1.31 **“Rotating Sign”** means any sign or portion of a sign which moves in a revolving or similar manner, but does not include multi-prism indexing sign face;
- 1.32 **“Shopping Mall”** means a group of commercial establishments planned and developed as a unit;
- 1.33 **“Sign”** means any identification, description, illustration, or device illuminated or non-illuminated visible from any public place or located on private property and exposed to the public which directs attention to a product, service, place, activity, person, institution, business or solicitation, including any permanently installed or situated merchandise; or any emblem, painting, banner, pennant, placard or temporary sign designed to advertise, identify or convey information, with the exception of window displays and flags or emblems of patriotic, civic, educational, religious organizations, or private clubs. Signs shall also include all sign structures;
- 1.34 **“Sign Area”** means the entire area of a sign face;
- 1.35 **“Sign Face”** means that portion of a sign, excluding the sign structure, upon which, as part of, against or through which the message of the sign is displayed. Where a sign is composed of individual letters, numerals or shapes, the sign face shall mean the area of the smallest polygon containing a maximum of eight (8) right angles sides that encloses the grouping of letters, numerals or shapes;
- 1.36 **“Sign Structure”** means any structure which supports, has supported or is capable of supporting a sign face including decorative cover;
- 1.37 **“Voting Place”** means the area designated by the Clerk of the Municipality in which the facilities for the conduct of the vote are located. The area designated may include the whole property, up to and including the curb, in order to provide curb side access for disable voters;
- 1.38 **“Temporary Sign”** means a sign which is not permanently affixed and includes all devices such as banners, placards, pennants, flags (not intended to include flags of any nations), sidewalks or curb signs and balloons or other air or gas filled figures. This section does not pertain to mobile signs as defined in this by-law;
- 1.39 **“Window Sign”** means a sign posted, painted, placed or affixed in or on a window exposed to public view;
- 1.40 **“Zone”** means an area established in the Municipality of North Perth’s Comprehensive Zoning By-law as amended.

2.0 GENERAL

- 2.1 This by-law shall be administered by the Chief Building Official, Building Inspector or the Clerk of the Municipality of North Perth;

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- 2.2 No person or persons shall display, cause to be erected, or structurally alter any sign within the Municipality of North Perth without first obtaining a sign permit;
- 2.3 Temporary signs shall be permitted in Commercial, Industrial and Institutional zones and shall be exempt from sign permit requirements;
- 2.4 No sign or advertising device with the exception of mobile or portable signs shall be erected or maintained , or permitted to be erected or maintained, on lands where the said use, product or service identified or referred to on the sign copy is not located;
- 2.5 Every person who requires a sign permit for a sign shall file in the Chief Building Official's office a sign permit application on the prescribed form, accompanied by the fee set in the Municipality's Rates and Fees By-Law. Should the sign also require a building permit under the Ontario Building Code, the appropriate Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing form shall also be filed;
- 2.6 The application shall be signed by the owner or authorized agent of the owner and by the occupant of the land or premises thereof;
- 2.7 The application shall be accompanied by a site plan showing the location of the sign and a drawing of the sign. Such a site plan and drawing shall be to the specifications required by the Chief Building Official;
- 2.8 If the sign conforms in all respects with the provisions of this by-law and the Ontario Building Code, the Chief Building Official shall issue a permit;
- 2.9 The Chief Building Official may, in writing, suspend or revoke a permit issued under the provisions of this section whenever the permit is issued on the basis of a mis-statement of fact, or fraud;
- 2.10 The Chief Building Official may revoke any sign permit if erection is not commenced within one year of the issuance of the sign permit;
- 2.11 No person shall locate a sign illuminated with red or amber lighting from within or without in such a fashion as to diminish or detract in any way from the effectiveness of any traffic signal or similar safety or warning device and which falls within the vision of motorists in such a manner as to create a traffic hazard;
- 2.12 No person shall place spot lights or flood lights used to illuminate a sign, building or premises, including a parking area, unless so arranged as to deflect light away from adjacent premises or street, in order to prevent any glare or blinding effect upon any lane or moving traffic or residential building;
- 2.13 No person shall erect a sign on public property without the permission of the Council. Posters may be attached to public property up to sixty days prior to an event being advertised. Any such posters must be removed within three days following the event;
- 2.14 Nothing herein prevents the posting of any notice under any Planning Act on public or private property. Any such notice shall be removed within a period either specified by such statute, or within three days of the relevant date such notice is advising;
- 2.15 No person shall place illuminated signs of the animated, flashing or revolving types in any zones except Commercial and Industrial. In these zones the

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signs cannot be on rear or side of buildings or in yards abutting a Residential Zone;

- 2.16 No person shall erect any sign within the daylight triangle or sight triangle as defined in the Municipality's Comprehensive Zoning By-law;
- 2.17 No person shall park any vehicle or trailer on public or private property so as to be visible from a public right-of-way, which has attached thereto or located thereon any sign or advertisement of products or directing people to a business or activity located on the same or nearby property or any other premises. This section is not intended to prohibit any form of vehicular signage such as a sign attached to a bus or lettered on a motor vehicle;
- 2.18 Where a business has a portion of the building that fronts onto their own private parking lot, or a public parking lot, accessory signs may be permissible in accordance with the same provisions applying to portions of that building which front onto a street or public lane;
- 2.19 Unless stated otherwise in this by-law, signs shall be located in the yard adjacent to the building frontage, or the abutting public highway, and fascia signs shall be located on the face of the building which is parallel to, or most closely parallel to the abutting public highway;
- 2.20 No person shall erect any sign upon or attached to any building or other approved support unless such building is able to carry that additional dead and wind load due to the erection of such signs or without exceeding the stresses permitted on the respective materials by the Ontario Building Code;
- 2.21 All references to zones, land uses, yards, setbacks and coverage requirements relate to the Comprehensive Zoning By-law of the Municipality of North Perth, as amended;
- 2.22 Except as otherwise provided in this by-law, any accessory sign located on property which becomes vacant and unoccupied for a period of one year or more, or any sign which pertains to a time, event, or purpose which no longer applies, shall be deemed to have been abandoned. Accessory signs applicable to a business temporarily suspended because of a change in ownership or management of such business shall not be deemed abandoned unless the property remains vacant for a period of one year or more. No owner shall allow an abandoned sign to remain on his or her property and such sign shall be removed by the owner of the sign or owner of the premises, within 10 days after the certified mailing of notice by the Chief Building Official;
- 2.23 All signs or other advertising devices that were lawfully erected or displayed on the day this by-law comes into force but that do not comply with this by-law shall be considered legal non-conforming signs. Such non-conforming signs which is damaged to such an extent that its supporting members are broken shall be deemed to have been destroyed and shall not be reconstructed unless within conformity with this by-law;
- 2.24 Every sign shall be maintained in a safe, presentable and good structural condition at all times, including the replacement of defective parts, painting, repainting, cleaning and other acts required for the maintenance of said sign. No person shall fail to maintain a sign and any conforming sign which does not comply with adequate safety standards shall be made to comply;
- 2.25 No person shall, by any means, attach a sign or poster to any public tree;
- 2.26 No sign or sign structure shall be erected at any location where in the opinion of the inspector, it may interfere with, obstruct the view of, or be confused with any authorized traffic sign, signal or device;

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- 2.27 No sign or sign structure shall be located in such a manner, which in the opinion of the inspector, impedes the necessary view of pedestrians or motorist;
- 2.28 Notwithstanding anything contained in this by-law, the Municipality of North Perth, in the County of Perth, and any Department of the Dominion or Provincial Government may, for the purposes of public service, erect any sign of any design or size in any zone within Municipal limits;
- 2.29 Where proposed signage is to be located and erected within a road corridor governed by the County of Perth, or the Ministry of Transportation, as specified in Schedule "A", a permit must be obtained from the relevant authority and a copy of the permit is to be provided in support of an application under this by-law, prior to erection of the proposed signage;
- 2.30 Exemptions to this by-law will be allowed only upon resolution of Council, unless otherwise specified in this by-law;

3.0 BULLETIN BOARDS – Non Residential Uses (School, Institutional, Religious, Charitable, and Fraternal Establishments)

- (i) One bulletin board shall be permitted for each developed parcel. The bulletin board shall not exceed 2 square metres (21.5 square feet) in area and 2.4 metres (8 feet) in height;

4.0 DIRECTIONAL SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial, Industrial and Institutional Zones

- (i) Each sign shall not exceed 3 square metres (32.29 square feet) in total area;
- (ii) Such signs shall not exceed two and one half (2.5) metres (8.20 feet) in height above the adjoining ground;
- (iii) One (1) Directional Sign shall be permitted at each point of entrance or exit on a parking lot and in addition, other directional signs, as required to direct traffic may be permitted. Placement of such signs shall also comply with sections 2.26 and 2.27 of this by-law;
- (iv) Each sign may bear the name of the business that owns and operates the parking lot;

5.0 ELECTION SIGNS – Federal, Provincial or Municipal

- 5.1 Election signs will be permitted on private property and boulevards during any election campaign and shall be removed within three days following the election;
- 5.2 Municipal election signs shall not be posted within an area designated a Voting Place by the Clerk of the Municipality for either Election Day or for the holding of an Advance Vote;
- 5.3 Municipal election signs shall not be posted until all nominations have been certified by the Clerk of the Municipality as per the "Municipal Elections Act";

6.0 FASCIA SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial , Industrial and Institutional Zones Only

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Fascia signs may only be erected or displayed on that portion of an exterior wall which is adjacent to that business and only when the wall faces a street, public lane, public parking lot or a private parking lot which is an accessory to that building;

- (i) The bottom of a fascia sign shall not be closer than 2.4 metres (7.9 feet) to the level of the sidewalk;
- (ii) No fascia sign shall project further from the main wall of the building than 30.4 centimetres (12 inches);
- (iii) No fascia sign shall extend above the top of the wall of a building, nor extend beyond the ends of the wall to which it is attached;
- (iv) The maximum size of fascia signs shall be determined by multiplying the linear business frontage in metres by 1 square metre;
- (v) Where a shopping centre consists of more than one storey, one accessory fascia sign may be permitted for each place of business and for each frontage on the second floor and it shall be attached and be parallel to the wall and shall not project more than 30.5 centimetres (12 inches) from the face of the said main wall;
- (vi) Fascia signs shall be constructed and secured in a manner consistent with safe building practices or as regulated under the Ontario Building Code;
- (vii) A fascia sign that weighs more than 115 kg (253.53 lb), or is attached or fastened in any manner to a parapet wall shall be designed by an *architect* or *professional engineer* in accordance with Division C, Section 1.2, Sentence 1.2.1.1.(11) and Sentence 1.2.1.1.(12) of the Ontario Building Code, as amended;

7.0 FREE-STANDING SANDWICH BOARD SIGNS – Permissible within Downtown Commercial Zone One (C1), Downtown Commercial Zone Two (C2), and Hamlet/Village Commercial Zone (HVC) Only

The erection of free-standing sandwich-board signs shall be permitted without a sign permit in accordance with the following requirements:

- (i) Only one (1) sign is permitted per storefront;
- (ii) No sign shall exceed 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) in height;
- (iii) The sign shall be located adjacent and parallel to the curb in front of the premise being advertised by the said sign;
- (iv) An unrestricted pedestrian travel width of 1.2 metres (4 feet) from the facade of the building must be maintained at all times;
- (v) Under no circumstances shall any free-standing sign be permitted on pedestrian crosswalk “pinch points”;
- (vi) One free-standing sandwich board sign will be permitted on Municipal property to allow advertising for functions or events by local service clubs and not for profit organizations at the discretion of the Clerks Department;

8.0 GROUND SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial, Industrial and Institutional Zones

- (i) No ground sign shall be closer than 1 metre (3.3 feet) to the property line;

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- (ii) No ground sign shall have a height greater than 1.5 metres (4.9 feet) and the maximum size of sign shall not exceed 5 square metres (53.8 square feet);
- (iii) Ground signs may be illuminated from within or by spot light, subject to Section 2.12.;
- (iv) No ground sign shall be erected or maintained that may obstruct the view of any pedestrian or driver of a motor vehicle; or that may interfere with vehicular movement to such a degree as to create a danger to any person, at the discretion of the Clerk or the Chief Building Official;
- (v) For each 15 metres (49.2 feet) of continuous frontage or part thereof facing a public street, one sign only (other than fascia signs) may be erected or displayed for each place of business unless otherwise specified in this by-law;

9.0 HOME OCCUPATION/SECONDARY FARM USE SIGNS

Where a Home Occupation or Secondary Farm Occupation is permissible in accordance with Section 3.85 and Section 3.160 of Zoning By-Law No. 6-ZB-1999 respectively, a single sign to show the name and callings of residents concerned, not greater than 0.85 square metres (9.15 sq.ft) in area may be erected. The said sign may be attached to the dwelling, and otherwise shall have a minimum front yard, interior side yard and exterior side yard setback of 1 metre (3.28 ft.), and must comply with the daylight triangle provisions. The said sign shall not be subject to the permit requirements of this by-law;

10.0 MOBILE/PORTABLE SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial, Industrial and Institutional Zones Only

- (i) No person shall place a portable or mobile sign except that only one portable or mobile sign shall be permitted for a sixty (60) day period once in each six (6) month period for any given property in the Municipality. This time limit shall be waived if an application has been submitted for a permanent sign;
- (ii) One mobile or portable sign will be permitted on Municipal property to allow advertising for functions or events by local service clubs and not for profit organizations at the discretion of the Clerks Department;
- (iii) The number of days that a portable sign is displayed shall be measured from, and shall include the date shown on the permit as the proposed date of its erection, irrespective of when the sign is actually erected;
- (iv) A mobile sign shall not be placed or located so as to occupy a parking space required to be provided by the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law.

11.0 NAMEPLATES

11.1 Residential Zones, and for non-residential uses (school, institutional, religious, charitable, and fraternal establishments)

For each single family home, semi-detached, duplex, triplex, fourplex, converted dwelling, board and rooming house, condominium, apartment and townhouse developments, or non-residential uses identified above, one nameplate not exceeding a combined area of 0.3 square metres (3.2 square feet) for each occupancy. Said nameplate shall not be subject to the permit requirements of this by-law, and includes nameplates situated or projecting into the required building set-back area;

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11.2 Agricultural Zones

For each farm parcel, one nameplate sign shall be permitted. Nameplate signs not exceeding 3.0 square metres (32 square feet) shall be permitted and shall not be subject to the permit requirements of this by-law. Nameplate signs exceeding 3.0 square metres (32 square feet) shall be permitted but are subject to the permit requirements of this by-law. Nameplate signs shall be placed a minimum of 3 metres from property lines. Names painted on barn walls/roofs shall be exempt from the requirements of this by-law.

12.0 PROJECTING SIGNS – Permissible within Downtown Commercial Zone One (C1), Downtown Commercial Zone Two (C2), and Hamlet/Village Commercial Zone (HVC) Only

- (i) Projecting signs may only be erected or displayed on that portion of an exterior wall which is adjacent to that business, and only when the wall faces a street, public lane, public parking lot or a private parking lot which is an accessory to that building;
- (ii) The bottom of a projecting sign shall not be closer than 2.4 metres (7.9 feet) to the level of the sidewalk;
- (iii) No projecting sign shall project further than 1 metre (3.3 feet) from the building face and in no instance into the travelled portion of the highway in front of the building;
- (iv) The sign attached to the projecting structure shall not exceed 1 square metre (10.8 square feet);
- (v) No projecting sign shall extend more than 3.65 metres (12 feet) above the level of the sidewalk;
- (vi) Projecting signs shall be constructed and secured in a manner consistent with safe building practices or as regulated under the Ontario Building Code;
- (vii) A projecting sign that weighs more than 115 kg (253.53 lb), or is attached or fastened in any manner to a parapet wall shall be designed by an *architect* or *professional engineer* in accordance with Division C, Section 1.2, Sentence 1.2.1.1.(11) and Sentence 1.2.1.1.(12) of the Ontario Building Code, as amended;

13.0 PYLON OR STANDARD SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial, Industrial and Institutional Zones, and in a Mobile Home Park, trailer park, commercial campground or open space Only

- (i) Every pylon sign shall be free standing and must not exceed 12 metres (39.4 feet) in height or 26 square metres (279.9 square feet) in area;
- (ii) No pylon sign shall be erected on any premises having less than 15 metres (49.2 feet) frontage on a public street and no portion of the sign shall be closer than 1 metre (3.3 feet) to the property line;
- (iii) No pylon sign shall be erected within 10 metres (32.8 feet) of another pylon sign;
- (iv) A pylon sign shall have a minimum clear distance of 2.4 metres (7.9 feet) from grade to underside of sign;
- (v) In parking lots or parks/campground areas, one accessory sign with a maximum area of 1 square metre may be erected at each point of entry or exit on a pole or pylon provided no portion of said sign is closer than 45

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centimetres (17.7 inches) to the street line. Direction signs may also be erected within the parking lot and parks/campground areas to facilitate the operation of the lot and the movement of the vehicles. No pylon or standard sign shall be erected within 60 centimetres (23.6 inches) of the vehicular travelled portion or private lane or roadway or of a motor vehicle parking area unless the minimum vertical distance between grade and the bottom of the sign is at least 4.3 metres (14.1 feet);

- (vi) For each 15 metres (49.2 feet) of continuous frontage or part thereof facing a public street, one sign only (other than fascia signs) may be erected or displayed for each place of business unless otherwise specified in this by-law;

14.0 ROOF SIGNS – Permissible within Commercial and Industrial Zones Only

With the exception of shopping malls, one roof sign not exceeding 14 square metres (150.7 square feet) may be erected on the roof of any commercial or industrial building on a lot having a street frontage of not less than 15 metres (49.2 feet) provided that:

- (i) The maximum height of any roof sign shall not exceed 6 metres (19.7 feet) above the highest point of the roof which it is erected;
- (ii) All roof signs must be set back a distance of at least 1 metre (3.3 feet) from all outside walls of the building on or over which they are located. It is the intention of this provision to provide a clear passageway around the sign;
- (iii) Every roof sign shall be constructed entirely of metal or other approved incombustible material save for mouldings and cappings;
- (iv) Roof signs shall not extend more than seventy-five (75) percent of the width of the building;
- (v) Roof signs shall be subject to the requirements of the Ontario Building Code;

15.0 SERVICE STATIONS AND CAR WASH AREAS

No person shall display nor cause to be erected any accessory sign in a service station or car wash area except the following:

15.1 One additional accessory sign may be displayed or erected stating the hours of business, mechanic on duty, or price of gasoline or other pertinent information, provided that:

- (i) If the sign is attached to the bottom of an existing pylon sign, no portion shall be closer than 2.4 metres (7.9 feet) to grade, nor closer than 45 centimetres (17.7 inches) to any property line. The combined area of both signs on the supporting structure shall not exceed 26 square metres (279.9 square feet).

15.2 Other additional accessory signs may be displayed indicating exits, entrances information relative to service bays, gas pumps protected by an overhead canopy, lubrication bays, etc. provided that:

- (i) Such a sign does not exceed 1.4 square metres (15.1 square feet) in area; and
- (ii) Such a sign shall not exceed 60 centimetres (23.6 inches) in height and 3 metres (9.8 feet) in width but in no case shall its width exceed the width of the door or opening over which it is mounted;

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16.0 SUBDIVISION SIGNS

No person shall erect more than one (1) temporary ground sign at each entrance to a subdivision which may state the name of the subdivision, and show the street pattern and zoning thereof, not exceeding 12 square metres (129.2 square feet) in area. Such signs shall be removed thirty (30) months after its erection or when the subdivision is eighty (80) percent sold, whichever occurs first;

17.0 TEMPORARY SIGNS

17.1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

No person shall erect temporary signs without a permit except the following signs, not exceeding 0.4 square metres (4.3 square feet) each, as long as they are in conformity with this by-law:

- No Trespassing
- Memorial Signs
- Warning Signs
- Directional Signs in Parking Areas
- Minor Construction Signs
- Temporary Events (garage sale, car wash or special event for example, provided that these signs are posted for no more than 3 days and they do not block the view by pedestrian or vehicle traffic)

17.2 FOR SALE, RENT OR LEASE

Signs indicating that the property on which they are located is “for sale” or “for rent” provided that such signs are no larger than .80 square metres (8.6 square feet) and provided that only one such sign shall be permitted per lot;

17.3 CHARITABLE EVENTS

Temporary signs to promote an Institutional Use, or citizen participation in civic or charitable activities and functions, may be erected for a maximum of 30 days prior to the event on boulevards or roads under the jurisdiction of the Municipality of North Perth, provided that the size and location of such signs has been approved by the Clerk or Chief Building Official, or a person designated by them, and provided such signs are removed within 48 hours of the conclusion of the charitable activity or function;

17.4 DEVELOPMENT SITES

No person shall erect temporary signs at the site of a development unless they indicate the name of the construction project. Only one sign may be permitted unless the project is on a corner of two intersecting public streets when two signs may be permitted, one per frontage. Said sign or signs, each not exceeding 9 square metres (96.9 square feet) in area shall be subject to all other regulations of this by-law. All signs shall be removed within 30 days of completion of the construction project;

18.0 WINDOW SIGNS

No person shall place window signs in a residential zone except which identify or convey information such as “Block Parent”, “No flyers”, “Security System Alert” signs, etc.

19.0 MINOR VARIANCE

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The CAO of the Municipality may grant variances to this by-law from time to time as is deemed necessary providing that the variance is minor in nature and such variance does not erode or interfere with the integrity of this by-law;

20.0 ENVIRONMENTALLY PROTECTED AREAS

No person shall erect or cause to be erected any sign in areas zoned as Environmental Protected Land.

21.0 PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT:

21.1 Every person who contravenes any provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence. Pursuant to the provisions of the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.33 as amended, upon conviction a person is liable to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 exclusive of costs;

21.2 Where a sign is erected or displayed in contravention of this By-law, the Chief Building Official or his or her designate may immediately pull down or remove any sign that has been determined as constituting a safety hazard or a concern. Such removal is to be at the expense of the owner or the occupant and the expense therefore may be collected in like manner as municipal taxes under Section 427 of the *Municipal Act*;

21.3 Where a sign or advertising device, other than a mobile sign, has been erected, displayed or altered without a permit, or a permit has been obtained and the sign or advertising device has not been constructed and maintained in accordance with the approved plans, an Order to Comply may be issued requiring any person who caused the sign or advertising device to be erected, displayed or altered to obtain the required permit, and/or to make the sign or advertising device conform with the approved plans, and/or to remove the sign or advertising device, within ten (10) days of the issuance of the order;

21.4 Where a mobile sign has been erected without a permit, or contravenes the permit issued, an Order to Comply may be issued requiring any person who has caused the portable sign to be erected or displayed to obtain a permit, or make the mobile sign conform with the approved plans within one (1) day of the issuance of the order, or to remove the mobile sign within one (1) day of the issuance of the order;

21.5 Where an order issued under Section 21.3 or 21.4 and the terms of the order have not been met within the specified time period provided in the order, the Chief Building Official or his or her designate may cause the sign or advertising device in respect of which the order was issued, to be pulled down or removed at the expense of the property owner and/or owner of the sign. Any costs incurred by the Municipality may be recovered in like manner as municipal taxes;

21.6 Where a sign has been removed pursuant to this by-law, the owner is liable to a minimum charge of \$75.00 per sign or the actual cost of removing such sign, which ever is the greater. Signs so removed shall be stored by the Municipality for a period of fourteen (14) days, during which time the owner(s) are entitled to redeem such sign upon payment to the Municipality of a storage fee of \$5.00 per day after which time the sign will be disposed of and/or destroyed;

21.7 Where a sign has been removed by the Municipality and stored for a period of fourteen (14) days and has not been redeemed, the Municipality may then destroy or otherwise dispose of the sign without notice or compensation to the owner of the sign or his or her agent;

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- 22.0** Measurements are provided in imperial measure (i.e. feet) for convenience only and do not form part of this By-law.
- 23.0** If any section of this by-law is for any reason held to be invalid, the remaining sections shall remain in effect until repealed.
- 24.0** By-law No. 22-2009 is hereby repealed.
- 25.0** This by-law will supercede any by-law that is in conflict with this by-law.
- 26.0** This by-law shall come into full force and effect upon its final passing.
- 27.0** This by-law may be cited as the “Municipality of North Perth Sign By-law”.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME this 19th day of December, 2011.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED this 19th day of December, 2011.

Julie Behrns, MAYOR

Patricia Berfelz, CLERK

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SCHEDULE "A"

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION GOVERNED ROADS

- Road 164/Highway 23

COUNTY OF PERTH GOVERNED ROADS

- Perth Line 55
- Perth Line 72
- Perth Line 86
- Perth Line 88 (Portion West of Road 164/Highway 23)
- Perth Line 91

- Perth Road 140
- Perth Road 147
- Perth Road 178

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH PERTH SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

For use by Principal Authority

Date received:	Permit number:
Roll number:	Permit Fee:

A. Project information				
Business/Store Name if applicable				
Building number, street name			Unit number	Lot/con.
Town/City	Postal code	Plan number/other description		
B. Applicant				
Last name	First name	Corporation or partnership		
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Town/City	Postal code	Province	E-mail	
Telephone number ()	Fax ()	Cell number ()		
C. Owner (if different from applicant)				
Last name	First name	Corporation or partnership		
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Town/City	Postal code	Province	E-mail	
Telephone number ()	Fax ()	Cell number ()		
D. Sign Contractor				
Last name	First name	Corporation or partnership (if applicable)		
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Town/City	Postal code	Province	E-mail	
Telephone number ()	Fax ()	Cell number ()		
E. Sign Specifications				
Height	Width	Depth	Area	Estimated Cost
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
F. Type of Sign to be Erected (Please check all that apply)				
<input type="checkbox"/> PERMANENT	<input type="checkbox"/> MOBILE	<input type="checkbox"/> Bulletin Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Fascia	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground
<input type="checkbox"/> Projecting	<input type="checkbox"/> Pylon	<input type="checkbox"/> Roof	<input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Description of proposed work:				
Proposed date of mobile sign placement:				
G. Attachments – Please provide the following details:				
i. A plan indicating the proposed location of the sign(s) on the subject property or building, including setbacks from property boundaries and other structures, and the height on the building wall for example;				
ii. Construction and attachment details of the subject sign(s)				
iii. A sketch of the proposed sign(s) indicating wording/images to be used				
H. Declaration of applicant				
I _____ certify that:				
(print name)				
1. I am the authorized (owner/agent of owner) named in the above application and I certify the truth of all statements or representations contained therein;				
2. I understand that the issuance of a permit shall not be deemed a waiver of any of the provisions of any requirements of the Municipality of North Perth Sign By-Law or regulations made thereunder, notwithstanding anything included in or omitted from the plans or other material filed in support of or in connection with the above application;				
3. I acknowledge that in the event a permit is issued, any departure from plans, specifications or locations proposed in the above application is prohibited and such could result in the permit being revoked;				
4. I further acknowledge that in the event the permit is revoked for any cause or irregularity or non-conformity with the requirements of the Municipality of North Perth Sign By-Law or regulations made thereunder, there shall be no right of claim whatsoever against the municipal corporation or any official thereof and any such claim is hereby expressly waived.				
_____	_____			
Date	Signature of applicant			