

Charles County Department of Planning and Growth Management

NOTICE

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Temporary Sign Display Ordinance for Businesses Revised

The Department of Planning and Growth Management is making changes to the administration of the County Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Temporary Signs to assist local businesses in communicating their operating status during the on-going COVID-19 pandemic. Starting immediately, the Department of Planning and Growth Management is offering an expedited, free, streamlined approval process for portable signs or banners to be displayed continuously until Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020, unless otherwise stated on the approved permit.

To apply for a free temporary sign permit, visit the Citizen Self Service Portal to create an account or to sign in at https://land.CharlesCountyMD.gov/EnerGov Prod/SelfService#/home. Once in the CSS Portal, choose the option to apply for a "Banner" permit.

This ordinance change does not pertain to commercial business properties within the incorporated towns of La Plata and Indian Head. The Charles County Zoning Ordinance, Section 297-319 F, can be found at https://ecode360.com/27248260.

For questions, contact Ms. Ashleigh Goedeke of the Department of Planning and Growth at <u>GoedekeA@CharlesCountyMD.gov</u> or 301-645-0632. Citizens with special needs may contact the Maryland Relay Service at 711, or Relay Service TDD: 800-735-2258.