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NEWS RELEASE

Allowance for additional temporary signage has been revoked

Durango, CO: Signs that were allowed during the COVID pandemic as a temporary measure need to be removed within city limits.

Two orders were implemented by the city's Community Development department: To allow for additional temporary signage, and the other to allow for businesses to use a portion of their parking lots for seating.

"Those were orders issued by the city manager underneath an overall emergency declaration," said Assistant Director of Community Development Scott Shine. "We've noticed a proliferation of temporary signs and have gotten some complaints about that."

Any temporary signage will revert to the requirements laid out in [Article 3-6 of the Land Use and Development Code](#). Temporary signs include banners small portable signs, site signs, and yard signs. It's important to note that requirements for temporary signage are citywide, and not just enforced downtown or on North Main.

"We want to remind businesses of the regulations that are in place and give people some time to come into compliance, and really start to clean up that proliferation of banners, teardrop signs, and all those types of things," Scott said. "Some are just not allowed at all, and others require permitting and can only be up for a certain amount of time."

In the coming weeks a code compliance officer will be evaluating temporary signage in Durango and notifying business owners of signs that are not in compliance. If business owners have any questions about their current signage, they can email compliance officer Chris Simpson at Chris.Simpson@durangogov.org

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