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SIGN POSTING POLICY

The placement of any signs in road right-of-way areas is prohibited by County Ordinance. All such signs will be removed by OC Public Works staff. Please find below the current Codified Ordinances that Public Works follows as a guideline for removing signs placed in County road right-of-way.

ATTACHMENT I

COUNTY PROPERTY PERMITS MANUAL

	NO:	IV-3
SECTION: Road Right of Way Permits	DATE:	February 20, 2020
TITLE: Prohibited Permits	SUPERSEDES:	November 24, 2015

It is the policy of the County of Orange, and the opinion of the office of the County Counsel, that the granting of permits to place advertisement signs and storage containers in County highway or road right-of-way is prohibited, except as authorized by County ordinance.

ATTACHMENT II

ARTICLE 3. SIGNS, BILLBOARDS

Sec. 6-1-69. Permit required; minimum standards.

No person shall erect, construct, place or maintain any signboard, billboard, sign, advertisement in, over or on any public highway of the County of Orange, unless a permit to do so has been obtained in writing from the Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer of the County, on such conditions as the Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer may determine to insure the safety of persons traveling upon such highway, on the following minimum standards:

- (a) *Single-faced signs. Single-faced signs, placed flat against and supported by the building, shall not extend over the right-of-way if less than eight (8) feet above the right-of-way grade; at a height of eight (8) feet or more, such a sign shall not overhang the right-ofway more than twelve (12) inches.*
- (b) *Double-faced signs. Double-faced signs, supported by the building, shall not extend further over the right-of-way than allowed under the following ratio:*

<i>For an Overhang Up to:</i>	<i>The Sign Must Be Above The Right of Way:</i>
<i>6 inches</i>	<i>7 feet</i>
<i>12 inches</i>	<i>8 feet</i>
<i>24 inches</i>	<i>10 feet</i>
<i>36 inches</i>	<i>12 feet</i>
<i>48 inches</i>	<i>14 feet</i>
<i>60 inches</i>	<i>16 feet</i>

- (c) *Extension limit. In no event shall any sign extend further than the face of any curb in front of any building.*
- (d) *Other permits may be required. The permit described in this section is not in lieu of a building permit or any other permit required by any other applicable law.
(Code 1961, § 61.031)*

ATTACHMENT III

CALIFORNIA STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE

SECTION 1450

1450. As used in this chapter:

(a) The term "highway" includes all or any part of the entire width of right of way of a county highway, whether or not such entire area is actually used for highway purposes.

(b) The term "encroachment" includes any tower, pole, poleline, pipe, pipeline, driveway, private road, fence, billboard, stand or building, or any structure or object of any kind or character not particularly mentioned in this section, which is placed in, under or over any portion of the highway.

(c) "Public agency" includes any city, public corporation, political subdivision, or district.

(d) "Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer" means the county Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer appointed pursuant to Section 2006.

This chapter shall only apply to any works or facilities of any public agency or public utility if such works or facilities are installed pursuant to franchise in, under or over any public highway.

This chapter shall not limit the powers and duties vested by law in the Public Utilities Commission of this state, and in the event of any conflict with regard to the powers and duties given the Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer in this chapter, those of the Public Utilities Commission shall prevail.

ATTACHMENT IV

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE

SECTION 1460-1470

1460. The Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer may issue written permits, as provided in this chapter, authorizing the permittee to do any of the following acts:

(a) Make an opening or excavation for any purpose in any county highway.

(b) Place, change or renew an encroachment.

(c) Place or display in, under or over any county highway any kind of advertising sign or device. Any such sign or device placed or displayed contrary to the provisions of this section is a public nuisance and the Director of Public Works/Chief Engineer may immediately remove it. The provisions of this section shall not prohibit the posting of any notice in the manner required by law or by the order of any court of this state.

(d) Plant, remove, cut, cut down, injure or destroy any tree, shrub, plant or flower growing within any county highway. Any person who does any of the acts specified in this section, without the authority of such a permit, is guilty of a misdemeanor and is liable to the public agency for all expenses and damages caused thereby