

RESPONSE TO COUNCILLOR INQUIRY / SUGGESTION

COUNCILLOR SWENDSEID

Councillor Swendseid provided information that across from Ecole Secondaire Foothills Composite High School a resident has erected signage on their front lawn and inquired if the Town has received complaints regarding this sign, if it is compliant with the Land Use Bylaw, etc.

Estimated Administrative Time to Respond



Under 4 hours (no motion required)



Over 4 hours (motion required) Estimated Hours: n/a

Motion

n/a

Response

On November 29, 2023, Okotoks Municipal Enforcement received a complaint regarding a lawn sign on Woodhaven Drive. The sign was determined to be an A-Board sign which is defined in the Land Use Bylaw as follows:

A-Board Sign - A self-supporting A-shaped Sign or sandwich board which is set upon the ground and has no external supporting Structure.

The resident was contacted and told that A-Board signs are a discretionary use in the Traditional Neighbourhood District when associated with non-residential uses, and would require a development permit application, review and approval. The resident was also informed that a Temporary Sign with a maximum height of 1.2 metres above grade, maximum area of 0.8m² and located no closer than 0.6 metres from a property line would not require development permit approval. Okotoks Municipal Enforcement visited the property on December 5, 2023 and confirmed the sign observed on that date met the regulations of the Land Use Bylaw as they pertain to Temporary Signs.

A Temporary Sign is defined in the Land Use Bylaw as follows:

Temporary Sign - A Sign that can be carried or transported from one Site to another and which is not permanently fastened to the ground or a Structure, and which is not an A-Board Sign.

There is no specific time period for a Temporary Sign. Administration is continuing to monitor implementation of the Land Use Bylaw; proposed updates will be brought forward as necessary changes are identified.

Attachment(s)

n/a

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