

## CHAPTER 16

### AMORTIZATION OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS

#### SECTION:

#### 12-16-1 AMORTIZATION OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS

- A. All signs which become nonconforming by the provisions of this Title, shall be removed, altered or repaired to conform to the provisions of this Title, within an amortization period of ten (10) years after the effective date of the amendments to this Title, April 11, 2011.
- B. Approved signs in properties formally designated as Areas of Special Sign Control are now designated as Master Sign Plans and are exempt from amortization as of the effective date of this Title, July 1, 2009.
- C. Any existing Institutional Sign, Residential Development Sign located in the Residential Sign District, or sign which has been granted a variance from the Village Sign Control prior to the effective date of this Title, July 1, 2009, shall be exempt from amortization unless a change in occupancy, tenant, and/or signage occurs that results in the removal of the existing sign. Upon removal of any existing sign, the installation of any new sign shall be subject to the provisions of this Title. Repair and maintenance may be permitted to ensure signage is maintained in a safe, neat and orderly condition and appearance as per Section 12-8-1-I.
- D. The owner of any sign made nonconforming by this Title may apply for a variance from the amortization schedule as per Section 12-17-1, Sign Variance, upon showing that the schedule does not permit a reasonable depreciation of the investment in the sign.