

## **Section 9.4 Nonconforming Signs**

**A. Continuance:** The continuance of a lawful use of any sign existing on the date of adoption of this Ordinance or amendment thereto, although such sign may not conform to the provisions of this Article, shall be permitted to continue according to Article 6 except that the following is applicable:

1. Replacement: A nonconforming sign shall not be replaced with another nonconforming sign. This limitation shall not prohibit replacing the sign message of the nonconforming sign provided no structural or frame alterations are made to such sign.
2. Alterations: A nonconforming sign shall not be structurally altered, moved or undergo changes to its shape, size, location, type, or design except where such changes shall result in removing all nonconforming aspects of the sign.
3. Destruction: Should a nonconforming sign be destroyed by any means to an extent of more than fifty percent (50%) of its replacement value, exclusive of foundations, it shall not be reconstructed except in full conformity with the provisions of this Article.

**B.** Abandoned signs or nonconforming signs that lose their lawful nonconforming status must be promptly removed.