

Proposed City of Valdosta LDR Amendments

(Summer 2025)

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Amendment # 1: Portable Sign time limits

Amend the text of Section 230-9(E)(1) by giving the Zoning Administrator the ability to extend the timeframe for a portable sign under justifiable circumstances.

Section 230-9 Sign Standards

(E) Special Signage Types.

- (1) Portable Signs. In addition to all permitting procedures and other applicable regulations of this Chapter, portable signs as defined by this LDR may be allowed upon the issuance of a permit within non-residential zoning districts only, and subject to all of the following conditions:
 - (a) Portable signs shall be limited to one per parcel and shall only be used in lieu of a permanent freestanding sign for a period not to exceed 3 months from the date of permit issuance, or until the permanent sign is installed, whichever comes first, and only for one continuous 3-month period. At the discretion of the Zoning Administrator, this time period may be extended by written request and approval, if it is deemed justified by unique circumstances pertaining to the property's signage situation.

Amendment # 2: Application submittal deadlines

Amend the text of Section 242-4 Amendments, and Section 242-9 Variances, as it pertains to application submittal deadlines for the various land use and variance applications:

Chapter 242 Zoning Procedures and Land Use

Section 242-4 Amendments

(A) Initiation of Amendments.

(2) Application Schedule.

- (a) Applications for amendments to the Official Zoning Map, to the text of the LDR and to the Comprehensive Plan (Future Development Map or text) must be submitted by the ~~25th day of the month, or the business day immediately following in the case of a holiday or weekend~~ designated monthly review cycle deadline in order to be considered at a subsequent Planning Commission and City Council meeting after the required advertisement and review period.