

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2019, Legislative Day No. 6

Bill No. 10-19

Mr. David Marks, Councilman

By the County Council, March 18, 2019

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Zoning Regulations – Downtown Towson (D.T.) District – Signs

FOR the purpose of amending the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations in order to permit certain signs to be reviewed administratively, subject to certain conditions and limitations; and generally relating to sign requirements in the Downtown Towson District.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments

Sections 259.16.A.5
Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, as amended

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations read as follows:

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4 SECTION 259. Districts

5 § 259.16. Downtown Towson District.

6 5. Sign requirements.

7 a. ~~{All}~~ ~~UNLESS HEREIN EXEMPTED, ALL~~ Signs AT OR ABOVE THE
8 SIXTH FLOOR OF ANY BUILDING shall be reviewed by the Design Review Panel (DRP).

9 b. [The DRP may establish procedures in which certain types of signs may be
10 reviewed administratively by the Department of Planning.] EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN
11 SUBPARAGRAPH A., THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SHALL REVIEW EVERY
12 SIGNAGE PROPOSAL, INCLUDING ANY MURAL UP TO 20 FEET ABOVE STREET
13 LEVEL, AND RECOMMEND DETERMINE WHETHER A PROPOSAL ~~CAN~~ SHALL BE
14 REVIEWED BY THE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVELY OR REFERRED TO THE
15 DRP FOR ITS REVIEW. ~~THE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION SHALL BE~~
16 ~~DEEMED APPROVED UNLESS, WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE RECEIPT OF THE~~
17 ~~RECOMMENDATION, ANY MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT~~
18 ~~THE MATTER BE FORWARDED TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL OR~~
19 ~~DISAPPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL AT A LEGISLATIVE MEETING.~~

20 c. After the DRP has reviewed a comprehensive sign package as part of a
21 development, ~~the DRP may authorize~~ the Department of Planning to SHALL
22 ADMINISTRATIVELY review subsequent minor revisions to the comprehensive recommended
23 sign package.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
2 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect on April 29, 2019.