

**UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-05

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UWCHLAN, CHESTER COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP ZONING
ORDINANCE OF 2013, CHAPTER 265, SECTIONS 301 AND 606 RELATING TO
TEMPORARY SIGNS, AND ATTACHMENT 2:1, TABLE 2, TEMPORARY SIGN
REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 1601 of the Second Class Township Code provides that the Board of Supervisors may adopt Ordinances in which general or specific powers of Uwchlan Township (“Uwchlan” or the “Township”) may be exercised, and, by the enactment of subsequent Ordinances, the Board of Supervisors may amend, repeal, or revise existing Ordinances (53 P.S. §66601);

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors declares that the reasonable regulation of temporary signs in the Township promotes public health and safety, protects property values, the environment, and scenic vistas and supports the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments will help residents, civic organizations and local business owners by establishing clarity and firm guidance on the use of temporary signs within the Township that respects free speech rights while maintaining the character of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments have been advertised, considered, and reviewed in accordance with all applicable law;

AND NOW, this 13th day of September, 2021, in consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of Uwchlan Township, Chester County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that the Code of Ordinances of Uwchlan Township is **AMENDED** as follows:

Section 1. **CHAPTER 265** of the Township Code of Ordinances is hereby **AMENDED** as follows:

A. **AMEND** Section 301.4 to **ADD** the following definition:

TEMPORARY SIGN

An impermanent sign intended to be displayed for a limited period of time in a twelve-month period. Temporary signs do not include banners. Banners not permitted.

B. **AMEND** Section 606 as follows:

1. **STRIKE** Section 606.3 and **REPLACE** it with the following:

Article 6. Supplementary Regulations for All Districts

606.3 Permitted Temporary Signs.

Subject to other provisions of this section, only the following types of temporary signs are permitted in the Township.

a. T-1: Short Term Temporary Signs

- (a) Maximum sign size: six square feet per side.
- (b) Signs may be erected for a single purpose for no more than two (2) forty-five (45) day periods per year.
- (c) Signs shall be removed immediately upon the end of the period.
- (d) Only four (4) signs may be placed on property.
- (e) Signs shall be placed outside of the right-of-way and may not block sight distances.

b. T-2: Temporary signs related to activity on same property as sign is placed.

- (a) The size of the sign is not in excess of six square feet in area in the R-A, R-R, R-1 and R-2 districts.
- (b) The size of the sign is not in excess of twenty-four square feet in area in the PC, PIC, PI, PC2 and PCID districts.
- (c) Not more than one sign for each activity shall be placed on any one property on which such activity is taking place, unless such property fronts upon more than one public street, in which event, one such sign may be erected on each street frontage.
- (d) Such signs may only be placed during the activity in question, and shall be removed within 2 days of the completion of the activity.
- (e) Signs shall be placed outside of the right-of-way and may not block sight distances.

c. T-3: Event signs.

One event sign not exceeding six square feet shall be permitted upon the property where the event is occurring, and three additional signs not exceeding four square feet may be placed along the streets in the area for directional purposes. Such signs shall only be erected on the day of the event and must be removed 24 hours after the conclusion of the event.

d. T-4: Development directional signs pursuant to § 606.6.

2. **STRIKE** Section 606.4.h. and **REPLACE** it with the following:
 - h. Off-site signs except T-4, P-10, P-6.B, C and D signs.
3. **STRIKE** Section 606.5.a. and **REPLACE** it with the following:
 - a. Projection: No freestanding sign may project beyond the lot line, over a public sidewalk area, or into a street right-of-way with the exception of T-4 signs.
4. **STRIKE** Section **606.5.h.** and **REPLACE** it with the following:
 - h. Permits shall be required for the erection, alteration, or maintenance of the following sign types: P-2; P-6.B and C; P-7.A, B, C; P-8; P-9.A, B, C; P-10; T-4.
5. **STRIKE** Attachment 2:1 – Table 2 and **REPLACE** it with the following:

265 Attachment 2:1 – Table 2, Temporary Sign Regulations

All	Sign Type	Maximum Area of One Sign	Number of Signs Per Lot	Minimum Setback from ROW (ft)	Maximum Height if Freestanding (ft)	Duration of Sign Limitation
All	T-1	6 sq ft	Four per property	Not in ROW	6 ft	Two 45-day time periods
R-A, R-R, R-1, R-2	T-2	6 sq ft	One sign per street frontage	Not in ROW	2 ft	During activity, removal 2 days after completion
PC PIC PI PCID	T-2	24 sq ft	One sign per street frontage	Not in ROW	10 ft	during activity, removal 2 days after completion
All	T-3	6 sq ft on site, 4 sq ft off site	One on site, three off site, in area	Not in ROW	6 ft	During activity, removal 24 hours after conclusion
All	T-4	6" x 30"	15 locations See 606.6	To be approved by Zoning Officer	9 ft	As approved by Zoning Officer

Section 2. Severability. If any sentence, clause, section, term or provision of this amendatory ordinance is for any reason determined by a court possessed of subject-matter jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable the said determination shall not affect or impair any of the remaining sentences, clauses, sections, terms or provisions hereof. It is here declared to be the intent of the governing body of Uwchlan Township that this amendatory ordinance would have been enacted without the illegal or unenforceable sentence, clause, section, term or provisions.

Section 3. Repealer. All Ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the said inconsistency.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective five (5) days from enactment.

ENACTED and ORDAINED this 13th day of September, 2021, by the Board of Supervisors of Uwchlan Township.

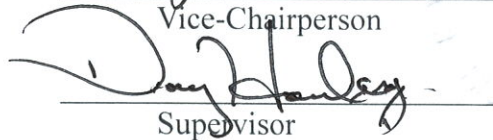
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UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP



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Supervisor

Attest:


Township Secretary